



Sweden GFMD Chair

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***Unlocking the potential of migration
for inclusive development***





From GFMD 2007-2012 to Swedish GFMD priorities

- **Assessment Report:** common vision and recommendations
- **Consult with GFMD stakeholders** through an open-ended, transparent and inclusive dialogue
- **Broad, comprehensive agenda** that is consensual, forward-looking, and outcome-oriented

Policies can make a difference:

- *Governments can help unlock the potential of each individual migrant towards social and economic improvement*
- *Provide the fitting key: adequate policy mix, comprehensive legal frameworks and cooperation*





Overarching priorities

- **A more development-focused Forum**
- **A more dynamic Forum**
- **A more durable Forum**





A MORE DEVELOPMENT-FOCUSED FORUM: SUBSTANTIVE PRIORITIES

- ***Strengthening the development dimension in the migration-development nexus***
 - ***Engaging more development practitioners***
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- **Post-2015 development agenda:** inclusive economic development; inclusive social development
 - **Human development:** enlarging people's choices and improving human capabilities



A MORE DEVELOPMENT-FOCUSED FORUM: SUBSTANTIVE PRIORITIES

- **Survey** of GFMD governments on thematic priorities:
 - To support work in the Government Teams
 - To be carried out during May/June
- **Thematic meetings:**
 - Mainstreaming and post-2015
 - Labour matching tools, migration and circular mobility
 - Diaspora engagement



A MORE DYNAMIC FORUM: PRIORITIES FOR THE GFMD PROCESS

- ***Making the Forum a more evidence-based, engaged and geographically balanced process***
 - Advancing the contributions of the Troika
 - Enhancing Steering Group working methods
 - Clarifying and amplifying the role of the Friends of the Forum
 - Improving working methods of the Government Teams:
 - A new format for Background Papers
 - *GFMD Expert Network*
 - *GFMD Online Discussion*



A MORE DYNAMIC FORUM: PRIORITIES FOR THE GFMD PROCESS

- Upgrading and further activating the **GFMD National Focal Points System**
- Strengthening and defining more clearly the role of the **Platform for Partnerships**
- **GFMD Policy Practice Database**
- Virtual **GFMD Online Discussions**, open to all interested parties
- Reinforcing the **Support Unit**



A MORE DURABLE FORUM: PRIORITIES TO ENSURE SUSTAINABLE IMPACT

- ***The GFMD as a more sustainable process, with a larger impact on the global, regional and national policy agendas***
- Multiannual Work Plan
- More predictable and sustainable funding
- Relations between GFMD governments and:
 - The civil society, CSD, Common Space
 - The private sector, *Business Roundtable*
 - Global Migration Group and other observers
 - The broader international community





GFMD Roundtable Themes

- Three overall Roundtable themes
- Six Roundtable sessions
- Inviting governments and observers to form Government Teams





RT 1: Integrating migration in global, regional and national development agendas

- RT 1.1. Operationalizing **mainstreaming and coherence** in migration and development policies
- RT 1.2. Framing migration for the MDGs and the **post-2015 UN development agenda**



RT 2: Migration as an enabler for inclusive economic development

- RT 2.1. Enhancing the development impacts of **labour migration and circular mobility** through more systematic labour market and skills **matching**
- RT 2.2. Facilitating positive development impacts of **diaspora engagement in skills transfers, investments and trade** between countries of residence and origin



RT 3: Migration as an enabler for inclusive social development

- RT 3.1. **Empowering migrants**, their households and communities for improved social development outcomes
- RT 3.2. **Migrant asset transfers** and their effects on health and education



PROVISIONAL CALENDAR OF KEY GFMD ACTIVITIES 2013-2014

- **27 February** 2nd comments to be sent for the draft Concept Paper
- **20 March** 2nd version of the draft Concept Paper to be distributed
- **10 April** 3rd comments to be sent for the draft Concept Paper
- **30 April** 3rd and final version of the draft Concept Paper to be distributed
- **21 May** *Endorsement at GFMD SG and FoF (Geneva)*