

***Shaping Migration & Development Goals: global movement, change on the ground***

**Background document for the GFMD Civil Society Days 2014, 12-13 May:  
*Objectives, working sessions, guiding questions and speaking roles***

This year's Civil Society Programme focuses on "***Shaping Migration and Development Goals: global movement, change on the ground***". The theme reflects civil society's priority for the 2014 GFMD to translate the outcomes of the [GFMD 2012](#), and of last year's [High Level Dialogue on International Migration and Development](#), in particular civil society's [5-year 8-point action plan](#) into concrete goals, targets and indicators, aiming very much for local implementation, practices and change.

As in previous years, the 2014 GFMD Civil Society Days (CSD) will be structured around a mix of **plenary sessions** and interactive **parallel working sessions** for groups of 60 – 90 civil society delegates plus a smaller number of additional observers and guests. The working sessions center on three thematic tracks, each divided into two subthemes with "linked" working sessions (also see provisional 2014 GFMD CSD programme). Each of the thematic tracks and their working sessions relate directly to recommendations from the 2012 GFMD Civil Society Days (CSD 2012) and the 5-year 8-point plan (5-year plan), and also link to the declaration adopted by governments at the HLD (HLD Dec) last year, as follows:

**Theme 1: Shaping goals for labour mobility, labour rights and decent work**

**Session 1.A: Guaranteeing decent work and social protection for migrants**

CSD'12: rec. 2 / 5 | 5 year plan: 5 & 8 | HLD Dec: e.g. 14,15 + 18

**Session 1.B: Improving migrant labour recruitment, placement and employment practices**

CSD'12: rec. 1 | 5 year plan: 7 | HLD Dec: no specific reference

**Theme 2: Shaping goals for the protection of migrants and families**

**Session 2.A: Protecting and empowering migrants in distress, in transit, at borders and in detention**

CSD'12: recs. 5 + 6 | 5 year plan: 3 / 5 | HLD Dec: e.g. 10 + 23

**Session 2.B: Protecting and empowering children in contexts of migration**

CSD'12: reference in Rec. 7 | 5 year: 4 | HLD Dec: e.g. 10, 13 +19

**Theme 3: Shaping goals for the empowerment of migrants and communities for social inclusion and human development**

**Session 3.A: Boosting migrant and diasporas' contributions to job creation and development**

CSD'12: recs. 3 + 4 | 5 year plan: 1 + 2 | HLD Dec: e.g. 9

**Session 3.B: Facilitating migrant and diaspora organizations as transnational social investors and policy advocates for access to services and public policy changes**

CSD'12: recs. 3 + 4 | 5 year plan: 1 + 2 | HLD Dec: e.g. 9

In addition to the thematic working sessions, special plenary sessions will be devoted to movements and momentum from last year’s High Level Dialogue, migration, migrants and the post-2015 global development agenda, and local implementation.

**Shaping goals, targets and indicators; change and practices on the ground - guiding questions for the working sessions**

All sessions on the GFMD Civil Society programme 2014 will focus on formulating goals, targets and indicators against which progress can be measured in the next years. At the same time each session is also intended to inspire and showcase practices and changes on the ground happening now. Therefore each of the working sessions will be structured around the follow four sets of guiding questions:

- 1. Progress**  
What (if any) progress has been made in the past years with regards to your working session theme? In terms of a changed agenda, changed policies and practices, civil society cooperation, and cooperation between civil society and governments?
- 2. “Global Movement”: recommendations for changes in policies and practices**  
What are the (further) changes needed in policies and practices? Who can make these changes happen and how? What are the next steps to take by civil society nationally, regionally or globally? What are the next steps recommended to governments?
- 3. “Change on the ground”: inspiring practices, partnerships and tools**  
What practices, partnerships and tools exist or need to be created that we can use to make the changes described? What practices can be replicated in other regions/ countries/ locally? What are the next steps to take by civil society nationally, regionally or globally? What are the next steps recommended to governments?
- 4. Targets and indicators**  
Can we formulate (or endorse) a set of targets and indicators to measure progress towards achieving these changes? Which of the targets and indicators belong in the post-2015 global development agenda? Who will track this progress?

**Format of the Working Sessions**

Each working session will be meet for about 3 ½ hours, structured around (1) an introduction by the co-moderators of objectives and past recommendations (2) 4 - 6 discussion starters presenting inspiring practices, partnerships or tools, as well as first reflections on the guiding questions and towards goals, targets and indicators (3) a group discussion aiming to articulate recommendations, benchmarks and actions. Civil Society delegates will be able to attend two working sessions in their area of interest and expertise. At the discretion of the moderators, the working sessions can also break into smaller groups for periods of time to allow for more direct interaction between the delegates.