



**GFMD Ad Hoc Working Group on the Impacts of COVID-19 on Migrants,  
Migration and Development**

*A Side Event on*

## **Lessons Learned from COVID-19 Prevention, Response and Recovery**

Monday, 18 January 2020

16h00 – 18h00 CET

The Ad Hoc Working Group on the Impact of COVID-19 on Migrants, Migration and Development was established in April 2020 with the objective, *inter alia*, to support the GFMD by discussing and proposing effective ways in which to advance multi-stakeholder dialogue about the impact of COVID-19, building on previous work of the GFMD relating to migrants in crisis, and advancing the implementation and review of Agenda 2030. Under the leadership of the Government of Indonesia, the Government of Switzerland and the GFMD Business Mechanism, a key milestone of the Working Group in 2020 was the development of a *Working Paper on Lessons Learned from COVID-19 Prevention, Response and Recovery*. The Working Paper is informed by multi-stakeholder inputs, as well as the outcomes of a GFMD survey on the impacts of the pandemic.

Through this side event, the Ad Hoc Working Group aims to present the main elements of the Working Paper and to kickstart a GFMD discussion on how to better address the challenges the pandemic has provoked in the area of migration and development, as well as to identify gaps and propose solutions moving forward.

*“A year after the start of the outbreak, as the broader international community starts to take stock of what went well, what went wrong and how we can “build back better.” It is our responsibility to consider the key role that human mobility will and should play in building a fairer, greener and more resilient future for humanity.”*

*– Co-Chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Impacts of COVID-19-*

## FINAL AGENDA

### **16h00 – 16h10 Opening Remarks by the Co-Chairs of the Working Group**

- *H.E. Mr. Febrian Alphyanto Ruddyard*, Deputy Minister for Multilateral Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Indonesia
- *Mr. Conradin Rasi*, Head of Forced Displacement and Migration Section, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs FDFA, State Secretariat STS, Switzerland
- *Mr. Menno Bart*, Public Affairs Manager, The Adecco Group, rep. GFMD Business Mechanism

### **16h10 – 16h20 Global Outlook on COVID-19**

- *Ms. Monica Goracci*, Director of Migration Management, International Organization for Migration

### **16h20 – 16h50 Perspectives by GFMD Stakeholders**

- *H.E. Mr. José Luis Pardo*, Special Ambassador for Migratory Affairs, Spain
- *Ms. Gayatri Kanth*, Program Manager, International Organization of Employers (representing Business Mechanism)
- *Mr. Stephane Jacquemet*, Director of Policy, International Catholic Migration Commission (representing Civil Society Mechanism)
- *Mr. Fuat Özharat*, UCLG Coordinator, City of Gaziantep, Turkey (representing Mayors Mechanism)
- *Ms. Anjuli Moll*, Team Lead for Migrants' Protection, UNMGCY (representing Youth)

### **16h50 – 17h00 Findings of the GFMD Survey on the Impacts of COVID-19**

- *Mr. Oleg Chirita*, Head of Programme, Global Initiatives, International Center for Migration Policy Development

### **17h00 – 17h50 Open Discussion / Q & A**

### **17h50 – 18h00 Closing Remarks**