Side events
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GLOBAL FORUM ON MIGRATION & DEVELOPMENT
### 1. ForoGlobal sobre Migración y Desarrollo (FGMD) 2019 - El rol de la academia en políticas de movilidad humana basadas en evidencia

La Red de Ciencias Políticas y Relaciones Internacionales (CIPRI) conformada por docentes de once universidades del país, en estrecha coordinación con la presidencia ecuatoriana del FGMD 2019 está proponiendo este side event con los siguientes objetivos: 1. Presentar los resultados de los talleres a nivel regional y nacional sobre las prioridades temáticas de la Presidencia del FGMD 2019 con el objetivo de compartir iniciativas concretas de políticas públicas en la movilidad humana. 2. Acerca al sector académico a los debates sustantivos del FGMD e intercambio con otros actores tanto gubernamentales como no gubernamentales, con el objetivo de fomentar sus contribuciones y experticia en las deliberaciones sobre políticas migratorias y desarrollo. 3. Explorar de manera conjunta el acercamiento de la academia a los diferentes procesos vinculados con el FGMD en el año de la Presidencia del Ecuador y en el futuro, tomando en consideración de los cambios en la gobernanza global de la migración y el debate alrededor de este importante tema.

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### 2. Making South-South migration work for development: Perspectives and Initiatives from Africa, Asia and Latin America

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### 3. Enhancing partnership for ensuring fair and ethical recruitment and upholding the rights of migrant workers

In today’s globalized economy, workers are increasingly looking for job opportunities beyond their home country in search of decent work and better livelihoods. In the past few years, significant steps have been taken by public and private actors to address recruitment related challenges and promote fair and ethical recruitment practices in which partnership and collective action play a key role. Experiences, good practices, new initiatives and lessons learned in promoting fair and ethical recruitment will be shared during this event.

### 4. Meeting in the middle: Shaping public narratives on migration and migrants

Recent years have seen a worrying rise in public expressions of racism, xenophobia and other forms of intolerance worldwide, often exacerbated for women and girls by the multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination they face at all stages of migration. The narrative that connects many of these occurrences is often a hard-line xenophobic and anti-migrant discourse. Identifying prevailing beliefs and fears to which the anti-migrant discourses speak is a fundamental first step towards understanding how and why damaging negative narratives take root, and it is necessary to develop a new fact-based narrative which reflects the true experiences of women, men, girls and boys in migration.

### 5. El impacto de migración en las ciudades latinoamericanas, camino al X Foro Urbano Mundial

This side event looks to promote an inter-institutional dialogue on the opportunities and challenges facing communities and cities receiving migration and how is possible to reduce the impact of this phenomenon in host communities and the need to move from the humanitarian approach, to the perspective of development.

### 6. Leveraging Economic Migration for Development

Distinguished speakers will share their experiences in dealing with current issues on migration and development. The session will discuss findings from a recent publication: “Leveraging Migration for Development”. The team will also report latest data on migrant and remittance flows worldwide. This session will discuss how economic migration can be leveraged for development and what role could the International Financial Institutions, Multilateral Development Banks and difference stakeholders play in that process including on: (i) safe and regular (legal) labor mobility, (ii) migration-related SDG indicators, (iii) knowledge for...
Visibilizar las respuestas que el Ecuador ha dado ante la crisis migratoria venezolana en los ámbitos nacional, regional e internacional, en búsqueda de una migración más segura ordenada y regular. Destacar las acciones concretas y recientemente adoptadas en el ámbito migratorio, particularmente los procesos de registro y regularización de ciudadanos venezolanos, como una respuesta coherente y responsable que busca facilitar la inclusión económica y social de los ciudadanos venezolanos y el cumplimiento de sus obligaciones en el Ecuador, al tiempo que se garantiza el bienestar y seguridad de la población de acogida. Analizar los retos y desafíos que la migración venezolana ha generado en diversos aspectos socio económicos para el Estado ecuatoriano, identificando lineas de respuesta priorizadas por las entidades del Gobierno.

Despite the challenges in bringing to life the emerging global consensus reaffirmed by the GCM on the need to work to end child immigration detention some progress has been made. An interactive roundtable will bring together States, local governments, UN agencies, civil society organisations and youth representatives under the umbrella of the Cross-Regional Peer Learning Platform on Alternatives to Child Immigration Detention -- a pioneering multi-stakeholder initiative promoting whole-of-society and whole-of-government solutions to support States’ efforts towards implementing alternatives. This side event will provide an open space for attendees to take stock of ongoing efforts, discuss common challenges and setbacks, exchange on positive practices, and continue identifying concrete opportunities for international cooperation and peer support in phasing out immigration detention of children and families through adequate reception and care.

Migrants, particularly those with irregular migration status, face a heightened risk to violence, and owing to deeply entrenched gender inequalities, women and girls face a significantly higher risk of sexual and gender-based violence at all stages of migration. This side event explores innovative ways of preventing and responding to the continuum of violence faced by women, men, girls and boys at all stages of migration, and the importance of working with all relevant stakeholders to help prevent and respond to gender-based violence against migrants and ensure they have access to services while protecting and promoting their human rights.

Every year, millions of people are forced or compelled to leave their place of habitual residence because of floods, tropical storms, droughts, desertification, earthquakes and other natural hazards. Present international law does not provide a right to admission and stay for those compelled to leave their country of origin in disaster and climate change contexts. This side event will present and highlight effective practices on admission and stay in disaster contexts at the national and regional level.

The Government of the United Arab Emirates will take over from the Government of Ecuador as the GFMD Chair for 2020 at the end of the Quito Summit. This event will provide an in-depth look at the UAE’s vision and priorities for its Chairmanship, including the key thematic areas; the introduction of six regional meetings; and a focus on broadening stakeholder engagement in GFMD to create a platform for the design and implementation of partnerships. Speakers will include panellists from the UAE, ICMPD, IOM and the Mayoral and Business Mechanisms.

Latin America is witnessing large and mixed movements of people. These movements have political, economic, social, developmental, humanitarian, and human rights ramifications, which cross all borders and that cannot be managed by the States separately. Increased regional collaboration, cooperation and responses, at various levels of governance, are needed. The side event will share the outcomes of four regional workshops organized across LAC in 2019 co-organised by UNDP and the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD) under the framework of the Migration EU Expertise (MIEUX) Initiative, funded by the EU, together with regional innovative policies and practices.