



# The Migration Compact Fund

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## BACKGROUND

The Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM) is a landmark recognition that migration is best governed through international cooperation. Rooted in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, it acknowledges the global reality of migration and that the facilitation of safe, orderly and regular migration can minimize the factors that cause or exacerbate vulnerability at different stages of migration while contributing to positive development outcomes including towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Recognizing the complexity of addressing some of migration's challenges while maximizing its benefits in the context of each State's differing migration priorities, the GCM calls for the establishment of a 'capacity-building mechanism' (CBM), which will include a fund to support Member States' implementation of the GCM. The fund will be referred to as the **Migration Compact Fund**. The UN Network on Migration, under the overall strategic guidance and direction of an Executive Committee and with IOM serving as Coordinator and Secretariat, will establish the Fund, in consultation with partners.

## FUNDING FOR RESULTS

Through direct support to Member States' implementation of the GCM, the Migration Compact Fund will emphasize national ownership and will be key in achieving the call in **SDG 10 - Reduced Inequalities** - to facilitate orderly, safe, regular and responsible migration and mobility of people. It will convey the **GCM's 360-degree vision** of international migration through a clustering of its 23 objectives allowing for the development of a results-based matrix with indicators to track the Fund's impact and ensure equitable support to its objectives.

## COHERENT SUPPORT TO MEMBER STATES

The Migration Compact Fund will be embedded in the **UN Network on Migration**. The Fund will ensure **joint programming** and promote overall coherence of the UN system's support to Member States' implementation of the GCM, while reinforcing the role of the UN Resident Coordinators and the repositioning of the UN development system.

## INCLUSIVE GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

The Migration Compact Fund will be governed by a **Steering Committee** with representation from **governments**, the **UN Network on Migration** and **other stakeholders**. This will ensure the whole-of- society approach and multi-partner cooperation called for in the GCM. With the support of the Network Secretariat, the Steering Committee will set the Fund's strategic course, provide oversight and take decisions on resource allocations. The Fund will be established as a **UNDG Multi-Donor Trust Fund** administered by the **UNDP Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office (MPTFO)**.

## INCREASED TRANSPARENCY

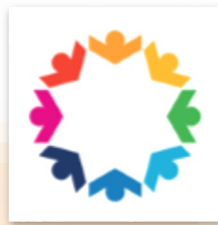
The Migration Compact Fund will ensure transparency in planning, implementation and delivery of results by consolidating reports on all activities undertaken and posting all information on the **MPTF Office Gateway**, which provides real-time financial data. The Fund's activities and results will also be reflected in the biennial report of the Secretary-General to the General Assembly called for in the GCM.

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## OBJECTIVES OF THE GLOBAL COMPACT FOR SAFE, ORDERLY AND REGULAR MIGRATION

- 1) Collect and utilize accurate and disaggregated data as a basis for evidence-based policies
- 2) Minimize the adverse drivers and structural factors that compel people to leave their country of origin
- 3) Provide accurate and timely information at all stages of migration
- 4) Ensure that all migrants have proof of legal identity and adequate documentation
- 5) Enhance availability and flexibility of pathways for regular migration
- 6) Facilitate fair and ethical recruitment and safeguard conditions that ensure decent work
- 7) Address and reduce vulnerabilities in migration
- 8) Save lives and establish coordinated international efforts on missing migrants
- 9) Strengthen the transnational response to smuggling of migrants
- 10) Prevent, combat and eradicate trafficking in persons in the context of international migration
- 11) Manage borders in an integrated, secure and coordinated manner
- 12) Strengthen certainty and predictability in migration procedures for appropriate screening, assessment and referral
- 13) Use migration detention only as a measure of last resort and work towards alternatives
- 14) Enhance consular protection, assistance and cooperation throughout the migration cycle
- 15) Provide access to basic services for migrants
- 16) Empower migrants and societies to realize full inclusion and social cohesion
- 17) Eliminate all forms of discrimination and promote evidence-based public discourse to shape perceptions of migration
- 18) Invest in skills development and facilitate mutual recognition of skills, qualifications and competences
- 19) Create conditions for migrants and diasporas to fully contribute to sustainable development in all countries
- 20) Promote faster, safer and cheaper transfer of remittances and foster financial inclusion of migrants
- 21) Cooperate in facilitating safe and dignified return and readmission, as well as sustainable reintegration
- 22) Establish mechanisms for the portability of social security entitlements and earned benefits
- 23) Strengthen international cooperation and global partnerships for safe, orderly and regular migration