



**Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the United Nations  
INVITES ALL MEMBER STATES/OBSERVERS  
to the event  
Realizing Migration in Sustainable Development**

**Thursday, 25 February 2016; 1:15-2:30 p.m.  
Conference Room 7, UN Headquarters, New York**

Migration is recognized as an enabler of sustainable development. More recently, the global community accorded important recognition vis-à-vis inclusive growth and sustainable development in a number of universally agreed outcomes e.g. 2030 Agenda, Addis Ababa Action Agenda. Migration and mobility issues now need to be approached as a transformative phenomenon across development matrix to realize full potential of migration for sustainable development. Following the adoption of the AAAA, 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, the Ninth Global Forum on Migration & Development (GFMD) (*Dhaka, Bangladesh, 10-12 December 2016*) would mark the first year when SDG implementation proceeds at country level. Ninth GFMD Summit will thus be the first key global conference deliberating on migration and development following the adoption of AAAA, 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Bangladesh – as the Ninth GFMD Chair - therefore plans to approach its Chairmanship to build upon, detail and advance, in collaboration with GFMD Troika and other Member States and relevant stakeholders, to realize the migration targets for sustainable development.

This event will afford an opportunity to exchange views with Member States and other stakeholders on how best to take forward migration, particularly in the context of the 2030 Agenda and the evolving architecture as they relate to various aspects of migration and mobility.

**1.15 p.m. -2.00 p.m.:**

- Welcome remarks by H. E. Ambassador Masud Bin Momen, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh
- Presentation by H. E. Amb. Md. Shahidul Haque, Ninth GFMD Chair (*Foreign Secretary of Bangladesh*): Bangladesh approach to GFMD Chairmanship
- Remarks by the Permanent Representative of Turkey [GFMD troika] *tbc*
- Remarks by Amb. Omar Hilale ,Permanent Representative of Morocco [GFMD troika]
- Remarks by Ms. Patricia Flor, Director General (International Order, United Nations and Arms Control), Federal Foreign Office, Germany [GFMD troika]
- Ms. Karen AbuZayd, Special Adviser on the UN Summit on Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants
- Remarks by Mr. Peter Sutherland , Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for International Migration and Development
- Mr. Thomas Gass , Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs, UN DESA

**2.00 - 2.25 p.m.:** **INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION**

**2:25 - 2.30 p.m.:** Closing Remarks by Ninth GFMD Chair

**Moderator:** H. E. Ambassador Masud Bin Momen , Permanent Representative of Bangladesh

**Light Lunch will be served at 12.45 p.m. in front of Conference Room 7**

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