

SUPPORTING THE PARTICIPATION OF STAKEHOLDERS TO THE 2024 ROUND OF GCM REGIONAL REVIEWS AND TO THE IMRF 2026 PROCESS

<u>Participating UN Organization(s):</u>	<u>IOM (Secretariat of the UN Network on Migration)</u>
<u>Migration MPTF Thematic Area:</u>	<u>GCM Follow-up and Review Window</u>
<u>Implementation Period:</u>	<u>June 2024 to July 2026</u>
<u>Requested budget:</u>	<u>USD337,050</u>

BACKGROUND

The UN Network on Migration, in line with the GCM’s guiding principles to ensure a whole-of-society approach, will promote meaningful participation of all relevant stakeholders¹ in the second round of Regional Reviews and the second International Migration Review Forum called for in the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM). The Network’s IMRF roadmap and its annex on stakeholder engagement² builds on the framework proposed by the GCM³ as well as the modalities resolution for the IMRF⁴.

The Network’s stakeholder engagement approach is in accordance with relevant General Assembly and Human Rights Council resolutions, including on the consultative relationship between the United Nations

¹The GCM (para 44) commits to partnership with “migrants, civil society, migrant and diaspora organizations, faith-based organizations, local authorities and communities, the private sector, trade unions, parliamentarians, national human rights institutions, the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, academia, the media and other relevant stakeholders.”

<https://documents-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/N18/451/99/PDF/N1845199.pdf?OpenElement>

²<https://migrationnetwork.un.org/system/files/docs/IMRF%20roadmap%20%28with%20annexes%29%20final%20.pdf>

³ The GCM (para 48) commits to “review the progress made at the local, national, regional and global levels in implementing the Global Compact in the framework of the United Nations through a State-led approach and *with the participation of all relevant stakeholders*”, <https://documents-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/N18/451/99/PDF/N1845199.pdf?OpenElement>

⁴ <https://docs.un.org/en/a/res/73/326>



and non-governmental organizations⁵ and on civil society engagement with international and regional organizations⁶.

The whole-of-society approach to the follow up and review process of the GCM promotes genuine engagement of stakeholders which actively aims at inclusivity, transparency and diversity in all stages including the preparatory processes as follows:

Transparency: Generating an open call for engagement to all relevant stakeholders across sectors, countries and sub-regions;

Inclusivity: Creating room for the widest possible access for all relevant stakeholders through different forms of engagement;

Diversity: Ensuring non-discriminatory access to all, with particular attention to under-represented voices, including migrants themselves; and

Meaningful participation: All relevant stakeholders should have equal and effective access to all preparatory, follow-up and review processes.

OBJECTIVE

This project aims to enhance inclusiveness in GCM follow-up and review processes, especially through ensuring GCM stakeholders are able to meaningfully engage at national, regional and global levels.

In its first phase, it will work with three regional Networks (Arab region, Africa, and Latin American and Caribbean) to provide 29,400 USD each for travel and DSA expenses for a set number of stakeholders from the region to attend and participate in the Regional Review meetings. The project will facilitate the inclusion of under-represented stakeholder sectors cited within the GCM, namely civil society organizations (CSOs) representing grassroots, migrant, migrant workers, diaspora, youth, women and girls' voices. The project supports travel along with active roles and contributions of these stakeholder sectors within respective Regional Review meetings, including serving as panelists, moderators, speakers from the floor, migrant and/or youth voice speakers and as rapporteur of stakeholder proceedings.

The second phase of the project aims to enable inclusive and accessible entry points for stakeholders in the preparatory processes leading up to and the IMRF in 2026, as well as at the Forum itself. The project will provide interpretation services and translation of key documents, support country level stakeholder consultations feeding into Member States' drafting of GCM voluntary reports (GCMRs) and support for travel and DSA expenses for a set number of stakeholders to attend the IMRF in New York. The objective is

⁵ General Assembly, Resolution 1996/31, Consultative relationship between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations, 25 July 1996, available at <https://www.un.org/esa/coordination/ngo/pdf/res96-31.pdf>.

⁶ Human Rights Council, A/HRC/RES/38/12, Civil society space: engagement with international and regional organizations, 6 July 2018, available at <https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/RegularSessions/Session38/Pages/ResDecStat.aspx>.



to facilitate more inclusive stakeholder participation from various regions through language access and inclusion of grassroots stakeholders at country levels.

MODALITIES OF IMPLEMENTATION

A) INTERPRETATION and TRANSLATION

Stakeholders globally have resoundingly requested language accessibility to key GCM documents and consultations. A portion of the project supports translation of key documents including the four Roundtable background notes, the IMRF roadmap and the zero draft of the Progress Declaration. In addition, interpretation services will be supported in several regional and global stakeholder consultations including:

- Latin America and Caribbean Regional IMRF Stakeholder Briefing
- Arab Regional IMRF Stakeholder Briefing
- Africa Regional IMRF Stakeholder Briefing
- Europe, North America and Central Asia Regional IMRF Stakeholder Briefing
- Four Roundtable Workstream consultations for background notes
- PGA consultation on the Multi-stakeholder Hearing
- Co-facilitators consultations on the Progress Declaration

B) COUNTRY LEVEL SUPPORT

A smaller portion of the project will support several country level stakeholder consultations to feed into Member States' drafting of GCM voluntary reports to the IMRF. Country stakeholder consultations will aim to invite a diverse set of national stakeholders representing the twelve sectors cited in the GCM, as best as possible, and will aim to feed into the national GCMR. The Network will provide support in the amount of 5,000 USD for each stakeholder consultation and drafting of its outcome recommendations. The Network will also support with sharing good practices, guidance and template agendas for the consultations.

C) TRAVEL SELECTION and CRITERIA

The process for selection of the funded participants for travel to the IMRF and the preceding second round of Regional Reviews is agreed upon with Network Executive Committee members at global, regional and country levels.

Stakeholders need to meet the following criteria to be eligible for support:

- a. The stakeholder has no other source of funding support to attend the IMRF.
- b. The stakeholder is accredited and registered on time to the IMRF.
- c. The stakeholder is able to obtain a visa in sufficient time to attend the IMRF.

Amongst the pool of eligible participants, priority is given to:



- Stakeholders based in a developing country (to be considered, stakeholders based in developed countries must represent migrants/diaspora)
- Stakeholders selected to fulfil a key role in the IMRF. Such roles include serving as rapporteur, panelist or moderator for the multi-stakeholder hearing, roundtable sessions, policy debate or side events, and/or serving as migrant and/or youth voice speakers.

The overall selection of representatives to be supported from the GCM Follow-up and Review Window of the Migration MPTF aims at reflecting a balance of gender and geographic representation and other identities of relevance to migration policy civil society priorities.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Following the above mandates, the UN Network on Migration secretariat, housed in IOM, will manage the project and oversee the support to be provided to the participation of stakeholders in the lead up to and at the IMRF and Regional Reviews with the funding from the GCM Follow-Up and Review Window of the Migration MPTF.

The Head of the United Nations Network on Migration Secretariat will serve as the project manager and will work in close consultation with the Secretariat's GCM Stakeholder Liaison Officer, and the Senior Programme Manager in the Demand Driven Facility of the Network's Capacity Building Mechanism and Regional Networks.

BUDGET

For the Regional Reviews

Support is provided on an equal basis to each of the three regions where a Regional Review is scheduled to take place between October 2024 and March 2025:

- African region from 8 to 10 October 2024
- Latin America and Caribbean region from 4 to 6 February 2025
- Asia Pacific region from 19 to 20 March 2025

Considering funding available under the GCM Follow-up and Review Window, an envelope of USD 29,400 is allocated to each region. It is estimated that this will enable supporting the participation of a total of approximately 60-70 stakeholders.

For the IMRF 2026 process

Funds will be fully used to cover:

- 1) Translation of key documents in the IMRF process
- 2) Interpretation services for online meetings. Possible usage will include the following meetings:
 - a. 4 Regional stakeholder briefings (LAC, Arab region, Africa, Europe/Central Asia/North America)
 - b. 4 Roundtable consultations
 - c. Co-Facilitator's consultations



- d. 1 PGA consultation
- 3) Country stakeholder consultations for GCMRs drafting
- 4) Stakeholder representatives' roundtrip airfare (in economy class) to the IMRF in New York and the applicable Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) for up to a maximum of 6 days.

CATEGORIES	TOTAL BUDGET in US Dollars
1. Staff and other personnel	-
2. Supplies, Commodities, Materials	-
3. Equipment, Vehicles, and Furniture	-
4. Contractual services	91,000
5. Travel	224,000
6. Transfers and Grants to Counterparts	-
7. General Operating and other Direct Costs	
Sub-Total Project Costs	315,000
8. Indirect Support Costs (7%)	22,050
TOTAL	USD 337,050

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