

Migration and the Sustainable Development Goals: the Role of Inter-state Consultation Mechanisms on Migration and of Regional Economic Organizations

6th Global Meeting of Chairs and Secretariats of Regional Consultative Processes on Migration

***2016 Updates from Inter-state Consultation Mechanisms on Migration.
Compendium***

This compendium gives an overview of the work of ***Inter-state Consultation Mechanisms on Migration*** in 2016. It is compiled of completed questionnaires which have been sent out by IOM to all Inter-state Consultation Mechanism on Migration to collect information on their meetings, projects and publications and aims to facilitate information sharing and exchange of best practices between these mechanisms.

Completed questionnaires from following Inter-state Consultation Mechanisms can be found in this compendium:

- ⇒ 5+5 Dialogue on Migration in the Western Mediterranean
- ⇒ Almaty Process on Refugee Protection and International Migration
- ⇒ Arab Regional Consultative Process on Migration (ARCP)
- ⇒ Bali Process on People Smuggling, Trafficking in Persons and Related Transnational Crime
- ⇒ Budapest Process
- ⇒ Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) RCP
- ⇒ Inter-Governmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum and Refugees (IGC)
- ⇒ Intra-Regional Forum on Migration in Africa (Pan African Forum)
- ⇒ Migration Dialogue for Southern Africa (MIDSA)
- ⇒ Migration Dialogue for West Africa (MIDWA)
- ⇒ Ministerial Consultation on Overseas Employment and Contractual Labour for Countries of Origin in Asia RCP (Colombo Process)
- ⇒ Prague Process
- ⇒ Regional Conference on Migration RCP (Puebla Process)
- ⇒ South American Conference on Migration (SACM)

5+5 Dialogue on Migration in the Western Mediterranean

- Member States:** Algeria, France, Italy, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Portugal, Spain, Tunisia, and Malta
- Focus:**
- ⇒ migration trends, information and data exchange,
 - ⇒ movement of people and regular migration flow management,
 - ⇒ irregular migration and trafficking in human beings,
 - ⇒ transit migration,
 - ⇒ labour migration and vocational training,
 - ⇒ migrants' rights and obligations,
 - ⇒ integration,
 - ⇒ migration and development, the role of diasporas,
 - ⇒ migration and health,
 - ⇒ gender equality in the context of migration,
 - ⇒ public awareness campaigns on migration,
 - ⇒ cooperation on migration issues

1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:	Preparatory expert meeting in Rabat to prepare for the Ministerial Meeting
2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:	Preparatory expert meeting (IOM participation) Ministerial event postponed until further notice
2A Senior Officials' Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	
2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	See point 2
2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the inter-state consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals , please provide a brief update on these:	N/A
3. New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:	N/A
3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i>	5&5 dialogue on migration
4. New publications in 2016:	N/A

Almaty Process on Refugee Protection and International Migration

Member States: Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan

- Focus:**
- ⇒ Irregular Migration
 - ⇒ Immigration, Border Management and Security
 - ⇒ Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling
 - ⇒ Human Rights of Migrants
 - ⇒ Asylum and Refugees
 - ⇒ Migration and Climate Change
 - ⇒ Humanitarian Emergencies and Emergency Preparedness
 - ⇒ Labour Migration
 - ⇒ Migration and Development
 - ⇒ Migration and Health
 - ⇒ Gender and Migration
 - ⇒ Migration Policy and Research
 - ⇒ Mixed Migration or Mixed Movements

<p>1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:</p>	<p>In 2016 Almaty Process organized the 3rd SOM, a high-level roundtable on Social and Economic Impact of Migration, and two thematic workshops.</p> <p>In 2016 Phase III of the Regional Migration Program in Central Asia “Addressing Mixed Migration Flows through Capacity building in Central Asia” was launched to facilitate policy dialogue and policy making on migration governance and migration management in Almaty Process Member States in Central Asia.</p>
<p>2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:</p>	<p>1 Thematic Regional workshop/training on “Combatting Trafficking in Persons – Protection of Victims of Human Trafficking” (April 4 to 6 2016 Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan)</p> <p>2 Thematic Regional workshop/training on “Access of migrant workers to protection mechanisms” (June 6 and 7 2016 Almaty, Kazakhstan)</p>
<p>2A Senior Officials’ Meeting(s) organized in 2016:</p>	<p>3rd Senior Officials Meeting (3rd SOM) of the Almaty Process “Addressing Mixed Migration Flows in Central Asia: Human Mobility, Rights of Vulnerable Migrants and Refugees and Regional Cooperation” (September 19 and 20 2016, Astana, Kazakhstan/ venue: The Library of the First President of Kazakhstan) organized by the Chair of the Almaty Process and the Library of the First President of Kazakhstan</p>

	(Nazarbayev Center) in cooperation with IOM and UNHCR.
2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	High Level Regional Roundtable on “Social and Economic Impact of Migration: migrant vulnerabilities and integration needs in Central Asia” (February 26 2016, Astana, Kazakhstan/ venue: The Library of the First President of Kazakhstan)
2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the inter-state consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals , please provide a brief update on these:	The context of the discussions with Central Asia stakeholders, under all project activities, relate to migration relevant SDGs implementation under the international law which provides the basis for the development and the implementation of regional and national laws in the area of migration in Central Asia. Specifically national laws regulating labour migration, the status of migrant workers, their protection, migrants rights, combatting trafficking in persons, the authority and the responsibility of states in migration management acquire particular importance.
3 New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:	ADDRESSING MIXED MIGRATION FLOWS THROUGH CAPACITY BUILDING IN CENTRAL ASIA – Phase III 1 October 2016 – 30 September 2017 The overall objective of the project is to continue to enhance the Central Asian States’ ability to manage mixed migration flows more effectively and humanely. Despite the progress many of the governments in the region made in recent years, two underlying weaknesses in the migration management and the asylum systems remain: (a) insufficient technical capacity of governments and weak national legislative and policy bases to manage the movement of people, particularly as concerns the protection of vulnerable groups and migrants’ rights; and (b) insufficient level of practical cooperation among States on common and interrelated migration and asylum issues. Geographical coverage: Central Asia Funding source: USA Government – BPRM/PIM Website: http://www.iom.int/almaty-process
3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i>	This project is in line with 4 out of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) adopted by the United Nation’s 193 Member States during the Post-2015 Summit in September 2015; in particular Goals 5,8 (8.7),10 (10.7), 11 (11.5) , 16 (16.2), 17 (17.18)
4. New publications in 2016 (please provide the title and a weblink to the publication, if available):	N/A

Arab Regional Consultative Process on Migration (ARCP)

Member States: Algeria, Bahrain, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, State of Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen

Focus:

- ⇒ Migration and Development.
- ⇒ Migration Management.
- ⇒ Migration Policies.
- ⇒ Brain Drain.
- ⇒ Mixed Migration.
- ⇒ Irregular Migration.
- ⇒ Asylum, Displacement and Forced Migration.
- ⇒ Migrants Rights.
- ⇒ Integration of Migrants.
- ⇒ Remittances of Migrants.
- ⇒ Capacity building of governments' officials in the field of migration.
- ⇒ Migration data Provision.

1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:	In 2016 ARCP convened 2 SOMs.
2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:	Two meetings were held in 2016 at Senior Officials Level. The first one was ordinary periodic meeting, while the second was an extraordinary one held in preparation of the UNGA High Level Plenary Meeting on Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants.
2A Senior Officials' Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Holding the second ARCP Meeting in May 2016. - Holding an ARCP extraordinary meeting in August 2016, in preparation of the UNGA High Level Plenary Meeting on Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants which will be held in New York on 19 September 2016.
2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 201:	N/A
2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the inter-state consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals , please provide a brief	The second meeting of the ARCP, which took place on 24-25 May 2016, discussed "the migration related targets of the SDGs" on its agenda. As the SDGs are the base now for all the related stakeholders working in the field of migration, this was reflected in the ARCP's

<p>update on these:</p>	<p>Programming Document and 2016-2017 work plan which were adopted during the meeting as follows:</p> <p>Programming Document:</p> <p>Follow-up and review of the SDGs migration related targets, in cooperation with UN-ESCWA, and provide technical support through LAS different mechanisms of cooperation (e.g. Working Group on International Migration in the Arab Region, Africa Arab Technical Coordination Committee on Migration (TCCM), LAS-EU Strategic Dialogue)</p> <p>2016-2017 work plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Organizing a training workshop for LAS Member States aiming at raising awareness and improving knowledge base on migration related targets. - Put a permanent item on the regular meetings' agenda to follow up and review the efforts of Member States to implement the migration related targets and to exchange information, experience and best practices in this regard. - Provide the necessary technical support to LAS Member States.
<p>3. New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism (please indicate the project title, project duration, project's objective, project's geographical coverage, funding source, link to the project website, if any):</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i></p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>4. New publications in 2016 (please provide the title and a weblink to the publication, if available):</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The fourth report on Arab Migration will be issued in December 2016 under the title: "Irregular Migration in North Africa". <p>A study on "Arab Response to the Displacement Crisis in the Region". This is supposed to be issued by the beginning of 2017 and will cover the Arab region, with the aim to give an overview on the crisis and efforts undertaken by LAS and its Member States in this regard.</p>

Bali Process on People Smuggling, Trafficking in Persons and Related Transnational Crime

Member States: Afghanistan, Australia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, China, DPR Korea, Fiji, New Caledonia, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Japan, Jordan, Kiribati, Lao, Macau, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Maldives, Nauru, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Syria, Thailand, Timor Leste, Tonga, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United States of America, Vanuatu, Vietnam

Focus:

- ⇒ Trafficking and smuggling;
- ⇒ Irregular migration;
- ⇒ Information and intelligence sharing;
- ⇒ Border management;
- ⇒ Return and readmission;
- ⇒ Harmonization of legislation;
- ⇒ Asylum practices and management;
- ⇒ Victim protection and assistance;
- ⇒ Development aid; and
- ⇒ Law enforcement

<p>1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bali Process “Follow the Money” Forum, Bangkok, Thailand, 16-17 May • Second Annual Meeting Bali Process Working Group on Trafficking in Persons, Bangkok, Thailand, 18 May • Joint Meeting of the Bali Process Working Groups on Trafficking in Persons and on the Disruption of People Smuggling and Trafficking in Persons Networks, Bangkok, Thailand, 18 May • Second Joint Period of Action Planning Workshop under the Working Group on the Disruption of People Smuggling and Trafficking in Persons Networks, 19 May • Pathways to Employment: Expanding legal and legitimate labour market opportunities for refugees, Bangkok, Thailand, 01-02 September • Strategic Roadmap on anti-trafficking legislation and measures in the region of Asia and the Pacific to be presented at SOMs meeting 14-15 November. • Publication of the Bali Process Civil Registration Assessment Toolkit in favour of refugees and stateless persons
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishment of the Bali Process Technical Experts Group on Returns and Reintegration (RRG). First meeting to be held in October 2016. • Regional Biometrics Data Exchange Solution (RBDES) Workshop to be held on 6-7 October 2016 in Bangkok, Thailand. • Continued activities on capacity building e.g; facilitating consultations among BP National Training Directors, training workshop on Enhancing Human Security in the Asia-Pacific Region, Airport Immigration Liaison Officer on Curriculum and Training Programme and simplified reference guide on interviewing victims of trafficking (materials in six BP languages).
2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:	
2A Senior Officials' Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	Tenth Meeting of the Ad Hoc Group Senior Officials, Bangkok, Thailand, 2 February Senior Officials Meeting, Bali, Indonesia, 22 March Eleventh Meeting of the Ad Hoc Group Senior Officials, Colombo, Sri Lanka, 15-16 November
2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	Sixth Regional Ministerial Conference, Bali, Indonesia, 23 March Ministers adopted for the first time a political declaration confirming the core objectives and priorities of the Bali Process as well as deliberating the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal crises and adopting a number of measures in this regard. ¹
2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the interstate consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals , please provide a brief update on these:	The co-chair's statement at the occasion of the 6th ministerial conference of the Bali Process, within the context of decisions and recommendations for future activities, recalled in particular the UN Agenda for Sustainable Development adopted in September 2015, and the five action areas outlined by the UN Secretary General at the General Assembly Plenary Session on irregular migrants (20 November 2015) ² .

¹ <http://goo.gl/qqwjQF>

² <http://www.un.org/press/en/2015/sgsm17344.doc.htm>

3. New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:

Regional Strategic Roadmap on anti-trafficking legislation and measures

This project will provide Bali Process Member States with a voluntary, non-binding comprehensive counter trafficking framework with an overview of core elements deriving from the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (UNTOC) and Palermo Protocol that can be applied to assess and improve existing policy measures.

The Regional Strategic Roadmap will comprise of an interactive online tool that will assist Bali Process member States to; revise and strengthen existing policies; advance next-phase comprehensive national anti-trafficking plans; and support harmonized regional response to trafficking in persons in a self-directed manner.

The Roadmap will provide examples of international standards, available resources, programs, training and good practices used to build comprehensive counter trafficking responses, based on the pillars of protection, prevention, prosecution and multidisciplinary issues. It is envisaged that the Strategic Roadmap will become self-sustainable tool and continuously updated to serve as a multipurpose counter trafficking resource base for all Bali Process members and other stakeholders.

Immigration Liaison Officer (ILO) Curriculum and Training Programme – Border Management Project

Under this project a curriculum and training modules for a Bali Process Immigration Liaison Officer (ILO) Training Programme will be developed. The ILOs involved will be government officials, usually police or immigration officials, who are deployed to international airports of other States to prevent, detect and deter people smuggling and people trafficking. The training program will provide officials with increased knowledge of the role of ILOs, airline/carrier obligations, airport environments for ILOs, liaison and relationship management, methods of people smuggling by air, passenger assessment, document examination, impostor detection, ILO tools and resources and using information and intelligence.

Bali Process Civil Registration Assessment Toolkit for refugees and state-less persons.

The project will entail development of Bali Process member States' capacities to evaluate and improve how they register the births, deaths and marriages of refugees, asylum seekers, stateless persons and persons of undetermined nationality, which will facilitate identity documentation for these

	<p>populations (especially children), promote better protection and strengthen vital statistics on these populations. The Toolkit is expected to be published in the final quarter of 2016.</p> <p>Interviewing Techniques for Trafficked persons with Specific needs</p> <p>This project develops a quick reference guide on interviewing victims of Trafficking in Persons based on research and consultation carried out by the RSO in March. In addition to the English version, it has been translated into five languages: Thai, Indonesian Bahasa, Sinhala, Khmer and Tetum. A Vietnamese version is forthcoming. The purpose of the QRG is to support officials, particularly frontline or local officials in questioning potential victims of trafficking. The QRG is double sided and pocket sized so that officials can use it as a guide easily and promptly whenever needed. In addition to simple tips to effectively conduct interviews, it also consists of sample questions in compliance with the 3 elements of Palermo Protocols; Activities, Means and Purpose. Another guide to interviewing child victims of trafficking in persons is currently being researched and developed. Launch of the Bali Process Quick Reference Guide (QRG) for Interviewing Victims of Trafficking in Persons, in Dili, Timor Leste, 29 July, followed by training on this QRG and also the Bali Process QRG to Assist Frontline Border Officials Assess Travelers and their Travel Documents. This training was then also delivered by the Migration Service of Timor Leste at key border control points for Timor Leste.</p>
<p>3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i></p>	<p>SDG targets 5.2 and 16.2 on counter-trafficking</p> <p>SDG target 10.7 Facilitate orderly, safe, regular and responsible migration and mobility of people, including through the implementation of planned and well-managed migration policies</p> <p>SDG target 16.9 By 2030, provide legal identity for all, including birth registration</p> <p>SDG target 17.18 on supporting data disaggregation by migratory status</p>
<p>4. New publications in 2016:</p>	<p>N/A</p>

Budapest Process

Member States: Albania, Afghanistan, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, UK, Uzbekistan

- Focus:**
- ⇒ *Better organise and improve conditions for legal migration and mobility*
 - ⇒ *Support the integration of migrants and counteracting phenomena such as discrimination, racism and xenophobia*
 - ⇒ *Strengthen the positive impact of migration on development*
 - ⇒ *Prevent and counteract irregular migration facilitating return and readmission of irregular migrants*
 - ⇒ *Prevent and combat trafficking in persons*
 - ⇒ *Promote international protection*

<p>1 Brief update on main activities in 2016:</p>	<p>During 2016, the project “Support to the Silk Routes Partnership for Migration under the Budapest Process” (Silk Routes Partnership Project) under the Budapest Process continues to concentrate its activities on strengthening the migration management capacities of the Silk Routes countries Afghanistan, Iraq and Pakistan, as well as Bangladesh and Iran (regional activities). The combined approach of capacity (training), information sharing and policy development was flanked by intergovernmental dialogue at all levels.</p> <p>The specific objectives of 2016 activities continue to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ raising the migration-related knowledge, expertise and management skills of relevant government officials in Afghanistan, Iraq and Pakistan. ▪ strengthening the national migration data management systems and consolidate the knowledge base on the migration realities in Afghanistan, Iraq and Pakistan. ▪ supporting the development of comprehensive national policy frameworks for migration management. ▪ strengthening regional and intergovernmental dialogue and information exchange on migration matters among the Silk Routes' countries through the regular Budapest Process meeting structure. ▪ increasing the concrete operational cooperation among the Silk Route countries in the area of migration. <p>Within the pilot project “Establishment of Migration Information Centres</p>
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	<p>and Raising Awareness on Migration in Pakistan” two Information Centres - <i>Migration Resource Centres</i> (MRCs) - have been opened. They are operational in Lahore and in Islamabad and inform migrants about legal migration possibilities as well as the risks of irregular migration. Furthermore, an information campaign as well as a TV Drama – both focusing on migration, in particular on the risks and consequences of irregular migration – are currently being developed.</p> <p>Within the pilot project “Initiating Regional Police Cooperation – Silk Routes Region and Turkey (Silk Routes RELEC)” regular meetings between law enforcement officials from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Iran, Iraq and Pakistan as well as Turkey are being held to ultimately agree on guidelines for regional law enforcement cooperation and set up a regional network of law enforcement officials.</p>
<p>2 Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:</p>	<p>The below Budapest Process (DRAFT) Meeting and Activity Calendar 2016 – April 2017 gives an overview of the implemented and planned meetings under the Budapest Process umbrella, including the annual Senior Officials Meeting, Working Group meetings and activities in the framework of the project “Support to the Silk Routes Partnership for Migration under the Budapest Process” (Silk Routes Partnership Project).</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Abbreviations:</p> <p>SR – Silk Routes countries</p> <p>BP – Budapest Process participating countries</p> <p>AFG – Afghanistan</p> <p>IQ – Iraq</p> <p>PAK - Pakistan</p> <p>TR – Turkey</p> <p>PP1 – SRP Pilot Project 1 – Establishment of Migration Information Centres and Raising Awareness on Migration in Pakistan</p> <p>PP2 – SRP Pilot Project 2 – Initiating Regional Police Cooperation – Silk Routes Region and Turkey (Silk Routes RELEC)</p> <p>-----</p> <p><u>February 2016</u></p> <p>28/29 Feb Kabul Ad-hoc visit to Kabul to discuss possible pilot project on Afghanistan</p> <p>SRP project AFG</p> <p><u>March 2016</u></p> <p>16 – 17 Mar, Ankara: Pilot Project 2: Silk Routes - RELEC – Objective setting workshop</p> <p>PP2 SR + TR</p> <p><u>April 2016</u></p> <p>12 April, Islamabad: Pilot Project 1: Inauguration of Migration Resource</p>

	<p>Centre (MRC) in Islamabad and Lahore</p> <p>PP1 PAK</p> <p>20 – 22 April, Lahore: Pilot Project 1: Training of MRC Staff</p> <p>PP1 PAK</p> <p><u>May 2016</u></p> <p>2 - 6 May, Islamabad: National Training Pakistan - Legal Migration, Labour Migration and Integration & Irregular Migration, Return, Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling</p> <p>SRP project PAK</p> <p>15 – 17 May, Tehran: 5th Regional Training - International Protection</p> <p>SRP project SR</p> <p>18 – 19 May, Tehran: 8th SR Working Group Meeting</p> <p>Budapest Process BP</p> <p>18 May, Tehran: Advisory Board meeting</p> <p>SRP project Donors + SR</p> <p><u>June 2016</u></p> <p>2 – 3 June, Islamabad: Pilot Project 2 – RELEC – information exchange workshop</p> <p>PP2 SR+TR</p> <p><u>July 2016</u></p> <p>11 July, Brussels: 5th Project Steering Committee</p> <p>SRP project Donors</p> <p><u>August 2016</u></p> <p>7 - 11 Aug, Erbil, Iraq: National Training Iraq - Legal Migration, Labour Migration and Integration & Irregular Migration, Return, Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling</p> <p>SRP project IQ</p> <p>29 – 31 Aug, Warsaw, Poland: Pilot Project 2 – RELEC – information exchange workshop</p> <p>PP2 SR+TR</p> <p><u>September 2016</u></p> <p>6 - 8 Sep, Stockholm, Sweden: Study visit</p> <p>SRP project SR</p> <p><u>October 2016</u></p> <p>(tbc), Kabul National Training Afghanistan - Legal Migration, Labour Migration and Integration & Irregular Migration, Return, Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling</p> <p>SRP project AFG</p> <p>18 – 19 Oct, Belgrade, Serbia: 9th SR Working Group Meeting</p> <p>Budapest Process BP</p>
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	<p>18 Oct, Belgrade, Serbia: Advisory Board meeting SRP project Donors + SR</p> <p>(tbc), Pilot Project 2: Silk Routes - RELEC – Workshop on SOPs PP2 SR + TR</p> <p><u>November 2016</u></p> <p>(tbc), Kabul, Afghanistan: National Workshop - Migration policy development and data management SRP project AFG</p> <p>(tbc), Erbil, Iraq: National Workshop – Migration policy development and data management SRP project IQ</p> <p>(tbc), Islamabad, Pakistan: National Workshop - Migration policy development and data management SRP PAK</p> <p><u>December 2016</u></p> <p>8 – 9 Dec, Turkey (tbc): Senior Officials Meeting Budapest Process BP</p> <p>8 Dec, Turkey (tbc): 6th Project Steering Committee SRP project Donors</p> <p>(tbc), Pilot Project 2 - Regional Training on police cooperation (thematic training 1) PP2 TR + SR</p> <p><u>January 2017</u></p> <p>Pakistan: Screening of the first episode of the TV Drama PP1 PAK</p> <p><u>February 2017</u></p> <p>(tbc), Erbil, Iraq: Train the Trainers (ToT) – Iraq SRP IQ</p> <p>(tbc), Pilot Project 2 - Regional Training on selected fields of police cooperation (thematic training 2) PP2 TR + SR</p> <p><u>March 2017</u></p> <p>(tbc), Pilot Project 2 - Final workshop PP2 TR + SR</p> <p><u>April 2017</u></p> <p>(tbc), Final Conference / 10th SR Working Group Meeting SRP BP + SR</p>
2A Senior Officials' Meeting(s) organized in	December 2016 8 – 9 Dec , Turkey (tbc): Budapest Process Senior Officials Meeting

2016:	
2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	N/A
2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the inter-state consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals , please provide a brief update on these:	<p>The Budapest Process helps states and other stakeholders to maintain open channels of communication between each other, from expert to ministerial level. Personal contacts are created, also when states have strained relations and states greatly benefit through this exchange, also in day-to-day cooperation. This networking is efficient: at a single meeting representatives can exchange with officials from 20 to 40 countries or more. Informal discussions on the side-lines can help break through stalemates or further bi- and multilateral discussions.</p> <p>A clear benefit of migration dialogues is that they very often provide a homebase to capacity building projects – serving to improve the capacities of administrations to better manage all aspects related to the movement of people, including awareness of how migration could be more beneficial for the development of each country.</p> <p>Since the redirection of the Budapest Process towards the Silk Routes Region, stable cooperation has developed with Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Iran, Iraq and Pakistan. Also, Syria participated before the war broke out. For the first time, the countries of the Silk Routes Region are engaging in this kind of migration dialogue with their counterparts from other regions involved, including South Eastern and Eastern Europe, the Black Sea region, Central Asia as well as EU and Schengen countries. The cooperation is instrumental for dealing with the migration challenges of today.</p> <p>Another key feature of the dialogue is knowledge transfer - from peer to peer during meetings and related operational activities. The Silk Routes Partnership Project has shown that it is not only important to offer a platform for countries from different regions – but also countries from the same region need a place to interact and share experience.</p>
3 New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:	N/A
3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i>	<p>Since the Istanbul Ministerial Declaration on the Silk Routes Partnership for Migration in 2013, migration and development has become one of the six priority areas for cooperation. Within the declaration the following objectives and activities are listed under priority topic III. Migration and Development:</p> <p>a) Mainstreaming migration into development planning as well as taking into account development issues and needs when elaborating migration policies,</p>

	<p>b) Promoting sustainable, comprehensive, balanced and efficient policies on migration and development, building on a migrant-centred approach and taking into account its impacts on, inter alia, employment, education, health, housing and social policies,</p> <p>c) Ensuring a multi-actor approach, inviting relevant development stakeholders, including both public and private sector, to engage in dialogue and concrete cooperation,</p> <p>d) Facilitating circular migration and active engagement in and development for the benefit of both countries of origin and destination,</p> <p>e) Engaging with diasporas and making better use of their contributions and, to this end, using established good practice,</p> <p>f) Facilitating the transfer of remittances including through reducing costs and providing training on financial literacy, and improving the use of monetary and social remittances for the benefit of the sustainable economic and social development of the countries of origin, while taking into account the private nature of such assets,</p> <p>g) Fostering sustainable reintegration, inter alia through policies benefitting receiving communities,</p> <p>h) Implementing measures counteracting possible negative effects of emigration on the countries of origin, such as brain drain and social impacts on family left behind,</p> <p>i) Addressing the gap between emergency relief, humanitarian assistance and sustainable development,</p> <p>j) Exploring and addressing development-related causes of migration,</p> <p>k) Developing and strengthening small and medium migrant entrepreneurship with the help of training and consultation services and other initiatives allowing migrants and migrant organisations to contribute to the development of their countries of origin.</p> <p><u>The specific objectives of the Silk Routes Partnership Project are to:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • raise the migration-related knowledge, expertise and management skills of relevant government officials in Afghanistan, Iraq and Pakistan. • strengthen the national migration data management systems and consolidate the knowledge base on the migration realities in Afghanistan, Iraq and Pakistan. • support the development of comprehensive national policy frameworks for migration management. • strengthen regional and intergovernmental dialogue and information exchange on migration matters among the Silk Routes' countries through the regular Budapest Process meeting structure. • increase the concrete operational cooperation among the Silk Route countries in the area of migration.
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	<p>Hence, the Silk Routes Partnership Project addresses the following migration-related targets of the SDGs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • target 8.8 (migrant workers' rights): implementation of national and regional training and workshops. • target 10.7 (planned and well-managed migration policies): inter-disciplinary training programmes in all areas relevant to migration; assessment of existing policies and delivery of workshops both at regional and national level; expert-level dialogue and targeted information exchange among the Silk Routes countries as well as among all Budapest Process participating states. • target 10.c (migrant remittances): implementation of national and regional training and workshops. • target 8.7 (trafficking): implementation of national and regional training and workshops. • target 17.18 (data disaggregation (including migratory status): implementation of national and regional workshops, targeted expert support and development of migration profiles. • target 4.b (scholarships (student mobility)): the project supported and finances the participation of government officials with experience in the field of migration and asylum from the Silk Routes countries in the Migration Management Diploma Programme (MMDP) at the Maastricht School of Governance.
<p>4 New publications in 2016:</p>	<p>Within the Silk Routes Partnership Project <u>migration profiles</u> of the Silk Routes countries are being drafted and finalised (ongoing activity). These migration profiles on Pakistan, Iran, Afghanistan and Iraq will provide an overview of the migration situation in these countries by establishing a knowledge base in the following fields: general migration flows and stocks of immigrants and emigrants; legal migration with special focus on labour migration; irregular migration; refugees and IDPs; return and reintegration; and migration and development.</p> <p>Publications are available at https://www.budapestprocess.org</p>

Regional Consultative Process on Overseas Employment and Contractual Labour for Countries of Origin in Asia (Colombo Process)

Member States: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, China, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam

Focus:

- ⇒ Protection and provision of services to migrant workers
- ⇒ Optimizing benefits of organized labour migration
- ⇒ Capacity building, data collection and inter-state cooperation

<p>1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:</p>	<p>In line with the decisions and recommendations from the 3rd Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM) in November 2015, the following activities were undertaken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishment of the CP Technical Support Unit (CP TSU) in support of the CP goals in Colombo, Sri Lanka • Development of a new CP website with an online repository (http://colomboprocess.org/) • Activation of five Thematic Area Working Groups (TAWG) in line with the five thematic priorities of the CP • Convening of the Regional Workshop on Labour Market Research (1 June 2016, Colombo) • Convening of the regional symposium on <i>"Promoting Regulatory Harmonization of Recruitment Intermediaries in Colombo Process Member States"</i> (23 August 2016, Colombo) • Convening of the 4th SOM and 5th Ministerial Consultation (24-25 August 2016, Colombo)
<p>2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:</p>	<p>1. TAWG Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills and Qualification Recognition (31 May 2016, Colombo) • Promoting Ethical Recruitment (31 May 2016, Colombo) • Labour Market Analysis (21 July 2016, Bangkok) • Remittances (21 July 2016, Bangkok) • Pre-departure Orientation and Empowerment (4 August 2016, Bangkok) <p>2. Ambassadorial-level meetings in Geneva</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5th Meeting (15 March 2016) with the purpose of discussing the amendments to the CP Operating Modalities. • 6th Meeting (11 August 2016) with the purpose of discussing the draft Ministerial Declaration for the 5th Ministerial

	<p>Consultation.</p> <p>3. Expert-level meetings in Geneva</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8th meeting (24 February 2016) with the purpose of discussing the amendments to the CP Operating Modalities. • 9th meeting (26 July 2016) with the purpose of discussing the draft Ministerial Declaration for the 5th Ministerial Consultation.
<p>2A Senior Officials' Meeting(s) organized in 2016:</p>	<p>Title: The 4th Senior Officials' Meeting of the Colombo Process under the Sri Lanka's Chairmanship</p> <p>Theme: "Migration for Prosperity: Adding Value by Working Together"</p> <p>Date & Venue: 24 August 2016, Colombo, Sri Lanka</p> <p>Main recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress and achievements of the thematic priorities and cooperation with other dialogue forums be reported to the 5th Ministerial Consultation (MC); • Revised CP Operating Modalities be proposed for the adoption at the 5th MC; • Final draft of the Colombo Ministerial Declaration be proposed for the adoption at the 5th MC. <p>Web link: http://www.colomboprocess.org/cp-meetings/detail/colombo-consultation-2016</p>
<p>2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 2016:</p>	<p>Title: The 5th Ministerial Consultation of the Colombo Process</p> <p>Theme: "Migration for Prosperity: Adding Value by Working Together"</p> <p>Date & Venue: 25 August 2016, Colombo, Sri Lanka</p> <p>Main recommendation:</p> <p>CP Member States adopted the Colombo Ministerial Declaration, which included the following recommendations and decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue working on the five thematic areas through TAWGs; • Continue engagement with CODs and other dialogue forms, including ADD, the European Union, SAARC, and ASEAN; • Continue consultations on new thematic areas related to Migrant Health, SDGs, Gender and Consulate support for migrant workers; • Continue enhancing the visibility of the CP as a RCP and seek engagement with other RCPs; • Welcomed Cambodia as its 12th Member State; • Adopted the revised CP Operating Modalities including a self-funding mechanism;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved the establishment of the CP TSU in support of the CP goals. <p>Web link: http://www.colomboprocess.org/cp-meetings/detail/colombo-consultation-2016</p>
<p>2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the inter-state consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals, please provide a brief update on these:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Colombo Ministerial Declaration, which was adopted at the 5th Ministerial Consultation, included a recommendation on “Operationalization of the migration-related goals in the SDGs” as the new thematic area. The Declaration also included a recommendation to consider the inclusion of “Migrant Health” as a new thematic priority in support of the SDG target 3.8 and the right to healthcare for migrant workers. CP TAWG on Remittances adopted a goal in support of the SDG target 10.c.
<p>3. New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:</p>	<p>Title: “Strengthening Labour Migration Governance through Regional Cooperation in Colombo Process countries”</p> <p>Duration: June 2015-May 2019</p> <p>Objective: To contribute to strengthening labour migration governance across Colombo Process Member States through regional cooperation and increased policy coherence.</p> <p>Coverage: Colombo Process Member States</p> <p>Funding source: Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation</p> <p>Website: http://colomboprocess.org/about-the-colombo-process/programmes-and-projects/detail/strengthening-labour-migration-governance-through-regional-cooperation-in-colombo-process-countries</p>
<p>3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i></p>	<p>The project is in support of the SDG target 10.7 (planned and well-managed migration policies); target 8.8 (migrant workers’ rights); target 10.c (migrant remittances).</p>
<p>4. New publications in 2016:</p>	<p>Title: “Final report of the 3rd Senior Officials’ Meeting” (2016)</p> <p>Web link: http://colomboprocess.org/media-centre/30-publications/entry/7-the-3rd-senior-officials-meeting-report</p> <p>Title: “Recruitment Monitoring & Migrant Welfare Assistance: what works?” (2015)</p> <p>Web link: http://www.colomboprocess.org/e-library?start=5</p>

Migration Dialogue from Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa Member States (COMESA RCP)

Member States: Mauritius, Rwanda, Seychelles, Sudan, Swaziland, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

- Focus:**
- ⇒ Migration, trade and development;
 - ⇒ Irregular migration;
 - ⇒ Migration profiles
 - ⇒ Migration and health;
 - ⇒ Capacity building in migration management;
 - ⇒ Forced migration;
 - ⇒ Labour migration;
 - ⇒ Migration policies, legislation and data collection, signing, ratification and full implementation of COMESA Protocols on Free Movement of Persons, Services, Labour Rights of Establishment and Residence.

1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:	
2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COMESA co-hosted with the Government of Zambia, the Intra-Regional Forum for Migration in Africa, held in Lusaka in May 2016 (COMESA Secretariat is in Lusaka, Zambia). The theme for this meeting was: <i>Fostering Regional Integration: Facilitating Trade and Human Mobility through Enhanced Border Management (May, 2016)</i> • COMESA (with support from IOM) supported the Governments of Zambia and Zimbabwe to host inaugural meetings of National Monitoring Committees on the Implementation of the COMESA Free Movement Agenda (pilot project – funded by IDF) (July, 2016) https://www.iom.int/news/zambia-zimbabwe-host-national-monitoring-committees-comesa-free-movement http://www.comesa.int/category/media/latest-news/ • COMESA hosted a meeting of the Capacity Building and Awareness Raising Task Forces on the Implementation of the COMESA Free Movement Protocols and Council Decisions (August/ September, 2016) • Planned Training and Awareness Raising Workshop on the COMESA Free Movement Agenda,

	for members of the Zambia and Zimbabwe National Monitoring Committees on the Implementation of the COMESA Free Movement Agenda (pilot project – funded by IDF) (September, 2016)
2A Senior Officials’ Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting for Chiefs of Immigration of COMESA Member States tentatively planned for early December 2016 in Lusaka, Zambia. Meeting will focus on signature, ratification and implementation of the COMESA Visa and Free Movement Protocols and Council Decisions on migration.
2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting for Ministers Responsible for Immigration of COMESA Member States tentatively planned for early December 2016 in Lusaka, Zambia. Meeting will focus on signature, ratification and implementation of the COMESA Visa and Free Movement Protocols and Council Decisions on migration.
2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the inter-state consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals , please provide a brief update on these:	N/A
3. New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pilot Project on the Signature and Ratification fo the COMESA Free Movement Protocol (Zambia and Zimbabwe) – with support from COMESA and IOM; Project duration, 12 months – February 2016 to January 2017; project objective: To contribute to improved signature and ratification of the COMESA Free Movement Protocol; Geographical Coverage – Zimbabwe and Zambia; Funded by the IOM Development Fund.
3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i>	
4. New publications in 2016:	None at current time – however, training manual and awareness raising tools under development for publication before end of 2016.

Intergovernmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum and Refugees (IGC)

Member States: Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States of America

- Focus:**
- ⇒ Asylum and Refugees
 - ⇒ Admission Control and Enforcement
 - ⇒ Immigration
 - ⇒ Settlement, Integration and Citizenship
 - ⇒ Technology
 - ⇒ Country of Origin Information
 - ⇒ Multidisciplinary Approach (country- and theme-specific)
 - ⇒ Data (asylum, removal) and Forecasting

<p>1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:</p>	<p>a. Focus on the IGC Chair’s Theme The Management of Borders in Light of Contemporary Migration Challenges</p> <p>b. The Management of asylum seekers and migrants flows (processing, security checks, reception and integration challenges)</p>
<p>2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:</p>	<p>Two meetings for each of the 6 working groups (Asylum/refugees, Admission, Control and Enforcement, Immigration, Integration, Technology and Country of Origin Information)</p> <p>Two Workshops on Identity Establishment, and on the Assessment of Border Management Policy and Programmes</p> <p>Two senior official meetings (Full Round – May, and Mini-Full Round – December)</p>
<p>2A Senior Officials’ Meeting(s) organized in 2016:</p>	<p>Full Round, May 2016 – focus on Security screening in immigration procedures, Global Shared Responsibility for Protection and Migration Management, including return and readmission</p> <p>Mini-Full Round December 2016 – The Future of Border Management and its implications for IGC work, Management of asylum seekers’ inflow, Outcomes of the UN GA 19 September Summit</p>

N/A	N/A
2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the inter-state consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals , please provide a brief update on these:	Not at this stage.
3. New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:	No current projects but one of the outcomes of the Chair's theme might be some pilots in the field of control and enforcement.
3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i>	N/A
4. New publications in 2016 (please provide the title and a weblink to the publication, if available):	2015 Report on Asylum Procedures - https://publications.iom.int/books/asylum-procedures-report-policies-and-practices-igc-participating-states-2015

Migration Dialogue for Southern Africa (MIDSA)

Member States: Angola, Botswana, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe

- Focus:**
- ⇒ Migration/Border management
 - ⇒ Development
 - ⇒ Health
 - ⇒ Labour migration
 - ⇒ Irregular movements
 - ⇒ Trafficking and smuggling
 - ⇒ Migrants' rights
 - ⇒ Return and readmission

<p>1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:</p>	<p>In 2016, IOM with UNHCR, UNODC, UNICEF, Save the Children, and the International Detention Coalition held regular inter-agency meetings to organize the year's MIDSA workshop. Apart from the workshop itself, the agencies discussed and reported on their work towards the implementation of the 2015 Ministerial MIDSA which had approved a regional action plan on mixed migration and priorities 4 themes for immediate implementation. These themes were the protection of migrant children, statelessness, alternatives to detention and voluntary returns. Progress was reported at the 2016 MIDSA on these both by the agencies and member states.</p>
<p>2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:</p>	<p>One Senior officials meeting at Permanent Secretaries level with representation from both Home Affairs and Labour Ministries was held. They reflected on progress on the recommendations of the 2015 Ministerial MIDSA that approved a regional action plan to address mixed migration. Recommendation on how to link protection with border management and labour migration were discussed and adopted along with the recommendation of adopting MICIC initiative guidelines to improve the protection of migrants in SADC region. The meeting was held On August 16-18, 2016 in Botswana co-sponsored by IDF, PRM, UNHCR and Save the Children.</p>

2A Senior Officials' Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	
2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	N/A
2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the inter-state consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals , please provide a brief update on these:	N/A
3. New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:	<p>Title: Addressing irregular migration flows in Southern Africa Phase VII</p> <p>Donor: U.S. Department of State Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (PRM)</p> <p>Project Period: October 2016 –September 2017</p> <p>Objective: Migration in the SADC region is managed in a humane and orderly manner that upholds the human rights of migrants</p> <p>Coverage: Countries in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) region, particularly Botswana, Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa, Zambia, and Zimbabwe</p>
3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i>	Not specifically stated as the project is a continuation of previous six phases that pre-date SDGs. It will contribute to Goals 5.2, 8.7, 8.8, 10.7, 16.2 and possibly 17.16
4. New publications in 2016:	Addressing the Challenge of Mixed Migration: Protection and Assistance in Mixed Migration Training Manual Facilitator's Guide

Migration Dialogue for West Africa (MIDWA)

Member States: Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo

- Focus:**
- ⇒ Border management;
 - ⇒ Data collection;
 - ⇒ Labour migration;
 - ⇒ Irregular migration;
 - ⇒ Development;
 - ⇒ Remittances;
 - ⇒ Migrants' rights;
 - ⇒ Trafficking and smuggling; and
 - ⇒ Return and reintegration.

<p>1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ MIDWA 2016 annual meetings (Experts and Ministerial) held on 23rd, 24th, 25th August 2016 in Abidjan; ⇒ Decision to create a Permanent Secretariat responsible for the preparation of the meetings and for the monitoring and coordination of the work of the thematic groups; ⇒ Decision to implement National Secretariats in Member States; ⇒ Decision to create 7 working groups.
<p>2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016</p>	<p>MIDWA 2016 in Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire <i>"The Impact of Free Movement and the Challenges of Migration"</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert meeting 23-24 August 2016 - Ministerial meeting 25 August 2016
<p>2A Senior Officials' Meeting(s) organized in 2016:</p>	<p>Experts meetings_23-24 August 2016, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire</p> <p>The meeting aimed at identifying challenges and solutions to migration related issues.</p> <p><i>On how to maintain the balance between free movement of persons and security related issues including terrorist attacks, experts recommended to reinforce operational and human capacities at border posts while reinforcing intelligence sharing and local governance of trans-border management;</i></p>

	<p><i>On the assessment of political, social and economic impact of Free Movement of persons in the Member States, experts recommended to improve data collection for enhanced fact based analysis, facilitation of movements and increased protection of migrants' rights;</i></p> <p><i>On the consequences of interconnections between environment, desertification and the migration in ECOWAS space, experts recommended to enhance research, promote resilience and preparedness in the communities and strengthen management of trans-boundary resources;</i></p> <p><i>On how to strengthen mechanisms of cooperation between partners, Experts main recommendations are the following: <u>to partners</u> to continue to support member states through financial and technical support; <u>to member states</u> to reinforce Census and biometric enrolment of citizens and establishment of identity documents, to propose practical measures to address the impact of climate change and land degradation on migration and to involve civil society in the fight against rackets at the border; <u>to ECOWAS</u> to harmonise employment legislation, to work on specific agreements with neighbouring states and to share strategies for security measures.</i></p> <p>Full report soon available on: http://www.fmmwestafrica.com/international-dialogue/</p>
<p>2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 2016:</p>	<p>Experts meetings_23-24 August 2016, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire</p> <p>The meeting aimed at identifying challenges and solutions to migration related issues.</p> <p><i>Ministers recommended the Implementation and Operations of MIDWA and in particular: to establish a Steering Committee; to appoint National Secretariats in Member States ; to create seven (07) Focus groups in relation to migration; to create a MIDWA Permanent Secretariat.</i></p> <p><i>On the theme of free movement, security, environment and cooperation the Ministers confirmed the MIDWA experts' recommendations.</i></p> <p>Full report soon available on: http://www.fmmwestafrica.com/international-dialogue/</p>

<p>2C If there were any <i>discussion(s) on the role of the inter-state consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals</i>, please provide a brief update on these:</p>	<p>There was no specific mention to the SDG, but the actions recommended in the Expert meeting will contribute to the following:</p> <p><u>8 Decent work and economic growth</u> (see recommendations of Panel 2/Expert meeting)</p> <p><u>13 Climate Action</u> (see recommendations of Panel 3/Expert meeting)</p> <p><u>16 Peace and Justice/Strong Institutions</u> (see recommendations of Panel 1 and 2/Expert meeting)</p>
<p>3. New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:</p>	<p>NTR</p>
<p>3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i></p>	<p>NTR</p>
<p>4. New publications in 2016:</p>	<p>NTR</p>

Prague Process

Member States: Albania, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kosovo*, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Malta, Montenegro, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Moldova, Romania, the Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, the United Kingdom and Uzbekistan

Focus:

- ⇒ Preventing and fighting irregular migration;
- ⇒ Readmission, voluntary return and sustainable reintegration;
- ⇒ Legal migration with a special emphasis on labour migration;
- ⇒ Integration of legally residing migrants;
- ⇒ Migration, mobility and development;
- ⇒ Strengthening capacities in the area of asylum and international protection.

<p>1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd Prague Process Ministerial Conference “Addressing Challenges Together”, Bratislava, 20 Sep 2016. Endorsement of Joint Declaration for the period 2017-21; • Organisation of Core Group and Senior Officials’ Meetings, serving the preparations of the 3rd Prague Process Ministerial Conference and setting the framework for future activities; • National Contact Points’ Meeting on the Knowledge Base and Concluding Workshop on Migration Profiles; • Conclusion of Pilot Projects 5, 6, 7 on irregular migration, legal migration and asylum and international protection. Publication of the three corresponding Handbooks; • Elaboration and publishing of various Migration Profiles Light; • Expert missions to Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan.
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<p>2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PP6 Concluding Workshop on Student Mobility; • National Contact Points’ meeting on the Knowledge base: Expert-level meeting of all 50 states and partners on the implementation of improved Knowledge approach and methodology and its application on migration profiles and the i-Map. • 2nd and 3rd PP7 Seminar on Quality in decision-making in the Asylum Process: using jurisprudence. Special emphasis on: internal flight alternative, subsidiary protection etc. • PP5 Concluding Workshop on Illegal Migration; • 6th Core Group meeting: Preparations of upcoming SOM; presentation and endorsement of PP TI results; • PP7 Closing Seminar (asylum). Special emphasis on: exclusion, conversion, regime change etc. • Expert missions to Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan: Gathering data for the Migration Profiles Light • Concluding Workshop on migration profiles: Presentation of results of Objective 2 – existing migration profiles and their incorporation into the i-Map. Discussion about the future of the Knowledge base, its purpose and ideas for improvement; • 7th Core Group meeting: finalisation of the agenda and topics of the concluding SOM of the Prague Process Targeted Initiative project; presentation and endorsement of PP TI results;
<p>2A Senior Officials’ Meeting(s) organized in 2016:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15-16 June: Senior Officials’ Meeting, Cracow, Poland: presentation and endorsement of PP TI results; 3rd Preparatory Meeting for the 3rd Ministerial Conference in 2016: finalisation of the draft of the Ministerial document; • 19 Sep 2016: Senior Officials’ Meeting, Bratislava, Slovakia: last comments to the Ministerial Declaration and finalisation for its endorsement; • November (tbc): Senior Officials’ Meeting, Vilnius: Concluding SOM of the Prague Process Targeted Initiative project; presentation of activities, results and achievements of the project; outlook of the Prague Process future
<p>2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 2016:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 September: 3rd Ministerial Conference, Bratislava: Adoption of results of PP TI, endorsement of the Ministerial document and agreement on the future of the Prague Process in the coming five years (2017 – 2021)

<p>2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the inter-state consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals, please provide a brief update on these:</p>	<p>n. a.</p>
<p>3. New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:</p>	<p>n. a.</p>
<p>3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it:</i></p>	<p><i>Target 10.7 (planned and well-managed migration policies); target 8.8 (migrant workers' rights); target 10.c (migrant remittances); target 4.b (scholarships (student mobility)).</i></p>
<p>4. New publications in 2016:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Migration Profiles Light for Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan, Moldova (forthcoming), as well as draft MPLs of Belarus, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan; Link: https://www.pragueprocess.eu/en/documents/category/5-migration-profiles • Prague Process Handbook on Enhancing International Student Mobility; • Quality in Asylum Decision Making: Using Jurisprudence and Multidisciplinary Knowledge for Training Purposes; • Prague Process Handbook on Identification of Irregular Migrants <p>Link to handbooks and guidelines: https://www.pragueprocess.eu/en/documents/category/3-programme-key-documents</p>

Regional Conference on Migration (RCM – also known as Puebla Process)

- Member States:** Belize, Canada, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, USA
- Focus:**
- ⇒ migration policy and management
 - ⇒ human rights of migrants regardless of status, with special attention to vulnerable groups such as women and children
 - ⇒ migration and development
 - ⇒ enhancing border cooperation
 - ⇒ developing guidelines for the return of unaccompanied migrant minors
 - ⇒ promoting migration and health activities
 - ⇒ ensuring international protection of refugees
 - ⇒ enhancing cooperation in the return and reintegration of repatriated migrants
 - ⇒ promoting cooperation to combat migrant smuggling and trafficking in persons
 - ⇒ undertaking activities in the area of integration

<p>1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:</p>	<p>Main working area: Extra-regional mixed migration flows involving Cuban, Haitian and African migrants. Migrant children. Migration and health.</p>
<p>2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:</p>	<p>6 meetings have been held so far in the framework of the CRM.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Working group meeting: workshop for the exchange of experiences and good practices in the field of consular attention to unaccompanied children and teenagers, Mexico, January 2016 - Working group meeting: workshop for the validation of documents on migrant children, El Salvador, March 2016 - Working group meeting: Regional Consultation Group on Migration, Honduras, June 2016 - Ad-Hoc Working Group on Extra-regional migrants, Panama, July 2016 - Working group meeting: workshop on integral child protection, Guatemala, August 2016

	<p>Planned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Working group meeting: workshop of the RCM on migration and health, Costa Rica, September 2016 - Meeting of the RCM Ad Hoc Group on Extra-regional Migrants. - Working group meeting: “Deepening the dialogue and cooperation between the CRM and civil society organizations”, Honduras, October 2016
2A Senior Officials’ Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	Working group meeting: Regional Consultation Group on Migration, Honduras, 15 and 16 November 2016
2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	Meeting between vice-ministers of the RCM on the theme “shared responsibility between States”, Honduras, 17-18 November 2016
2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the inter-state consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals , please provide a brief update on these:	It has not been the case yet.
3. New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:	<p>Ad-hoc working group on extra-regional migration. Current elaboration of a regional strategy to manage Cuban, Haitian, African and Asian migration flows.</p> <p>Establishment of the Liaison Officer Network for the Protection of Migrant Girls, Boys, and Adolescents: initiative to be approved by vice-ministers in November, in order for the Network to start working in 2017.</p>
3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i>	<p>Implicitly, they support two migration-related SDGs:</p> <p>Project 1: SDG 17 – Goal 17.18 Data disaggregated by migration status: necessary in order to draw the profile of extra-regional migrants</p> <p>Project 2: SDG 16 – Goal 16.3 about children trafficking (not clearly defined yet)</p>
4. New publications in 2016:	There have been no publications in 2016.

South American Conference on Migration (SACM)

Member States: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela

Focus:

- ⇒ Development;
- ⇒ Diasporas;
- ⇒ Rights of migrants;
- ⇒ Integration;
- ⇒ Information exchange;
- ⇒ Migration statistics; and
- ⇒ Trafficking and smuggling.

<p>1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:</p>	<p>Several meetings in preparation of contents of XI inter-sessional meeting.</p> <p>XI inter-sessional meeting of the South American Conference on Migration (Montevideo, Uruguay, August 23-24, 2016).</p> <p>XVI SACM annual meeting (Asuncion, Paraguay, November 3-4, 2016).</p>
<p>2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:</p>	<p>In early 2016, the PPT-Chile organized an informative meeting with embassies of the SACM Member Countries, aimed at reviewing the commitments taken on within the framework of the Santiago Declaration. The First Technical Coordination Meeting of the SACM was held in mid-2016 (on June 16). The following topics were addressed at the meeting: updating the principles and guidelines of the SACM, and access to justice for migrants. At the Second Technical Coordination Meeting of the SACM (held on July 6) the topic of the relationship between the SACM and other regional consultation processes (RCPs) was addressed.</p> <p>XI inter-sessional meeting of the South American Conference on Migration that took place in Montevideo on 23rd-24th August, 2016.</p> <p>The main purpose of the inter-sessional meeting was to prepare the agenda of the XVI SACM annual meeting that will be held in Asuncion, Paraguay on 3-4 November, 2016. It was also useful to address potential controversial issues before the annual meeting will take place and try to reach agreements to sort it out.</p> <p>The central themes of the meeting were: a) Follow-up on the South American Plan for the Human Development of Migration; b) Migration and South American Integration; c)</p>

	<p>Migration Governance Strengthening; d) International Projection of the South American Region.</p> <p>IOM, as Technical Secretariat of the Conference, delivered a report on the work done in support of the Chair and SACM's Member States on last year and presented reports on the following issues: a) access to justice for migrants; b) free mobility in border areas; c) migration and cities and d) the link between migration, environment and climate change.</p> <p>The Chair introduced issues related with the international relationships of the SACM which included the links with other RCP's (particularly with the Regional Conference on Migration, known as RCM or Puebla Process and the regional integration groups (Mercosur, Unasur, CELAC, etc.).</p> <p>One main issue discussed was the document on the regulations for the Organizations and Functions of the Conference.</p> <p>Technical Secretariat introduced the different documents and aspects that will be part of the September 19th discussions on the large movements of Migrants and Refugees.</p> <p>Also, Technical Secretariat informed about the regional seminar on social inclusion of migrants and assistance in emergency situations in urban contexts that was organized together with the Chair of SACM (Santiago, Chile on July 20-21, 2016).</p> <p>As a conclusion of this meeting, the deliberations were very fruitful and many important issues (preparations for the UN 19th September meeting; the international relationships of the Conference; the update of the Principles and Guidelines of the SACM; Migration and Cities and the link between Migration, Environment and Climate Change among others) were discussed and a way forward in each of them identified.</p>
<p>2A Senior Officials' Meeting(s) organized in 2016:</p>	
<p>2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 2016:</p>	
<p>2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the inter-state consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals, please provide a brief update on these:</p>	

<p>3. New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:</p>	
<p>3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i></p>	
<p>4 New publications in 2016:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft report on access to justice for migrants. • Draft report on facilitating the movement of persons across borders in the interest of free movement in the South American region. • Draft report on the relation between migration, environment and climate change • Draft document on updating the principles and strategic guidelines of the SACM. • Draft document on the Regulation on the Organization and Functions of the SACM. <p>*These documents will be approved on XVI SACM (3-4 Nov 2016)</p>

Intra-Regional Forum on Migration in Africa (Pan African Forum)

- Participants:** Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa RCP (COMESA-RCP, pillar of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)),
 Intergovernmental Authority on Development RCP (IGAD-RCP, pillar of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD)),
 Migration Dialogue for Central Africa (MIDCAS, pillar of the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS)),
 Migration Dialogue for Southern Africa (MIDSA, pillar of the Southern African Development Community (SADC)),
 Migration Dialogue for West Africa (MIDWA, pillar of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS))
- Focus:**
- ⇒ migration governance in Africa
 - ⇒ regional integration in Africa
 - ⇒ Facilitated Free Movement of Persons in Africa
 - ⇒ Facilitated trade in Africa
 - ⇒ integrated border management in Africa
 - ⇒ visa regimes in Africa
 - ⇒ combatting irregular migration in Africa

<p>1. Brief update on main activities in 2016:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Planning for the 2016 forum in Lusaka - Preparing for the 3rd Intra-Regional Forum to take place in 2016 - Evaluation of the status of implementation of the AU instruments on Migration
<p>2. Meetings organized (or planned for) in 2016:</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Roundtable on intra-regional migration and mobility within Africa <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Theme: <i>Enhancing capacities of RECs and Member States to facilitate Intra-regional Migration & Labour Mobility for Regional Integration & Economic Cooperation in Africa</i> ➤ Kigali, Rwanda – 23 – 25 March, 2015 2. Intra-Regional Forum on Migration in Africa <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Theme: <i>“Enhancing Capacities of Africa Regional Frameworks on Migration to Facilitate Intra-Regional Labour Mobility, Free Movement of Persons and Integrated Border Management”</i> ➤ 16 – 18 Sept.; Accra, Ghana 3. Senior Officials Meeting - 2nd Intra-Regional Forum on Migration in Africa <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Theme: <i>Fostering Regional Integration – Facilitating</i>

	<p><i>Trade and Human Mobility through enhanced Border Management</i></p> <p>➤ 4-6 May; 2016; Lusaka, Zambia</p> <p>Participants: African Union commission, the Regional Economic Communities (RECs), AU Member States, UN Agencies and International Organizations, Development Partners, Senior Officials from the Ministries of Trade, Foreign Affairs & Regional Integration, Home Affairs, Labour & Social Affairs, Economic Planning, Gender & Youth; officials from member states, Academia, Civil Society, Private Sector and Workers Organizations</p>
2A Senior Officials' Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	<p>Theme: <i>Fostering Regional Integration – Facilitating Trade and Human Mobility through enhanced Border Management</i></p> <p>Date: 4 – 6 May, 2016;</p> <p>Venue: Lusaka, Zambia</p>
2B Ministerial level Meeting(s) organized in 2016:	- N/A
2C If there were any discussion(s) on the role of the interstate consultation mechanism in supporting the implementation of the relevant sustainable development goals , please provide a brief update on these:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Participants of the 2nd Intra-Regional Forum derived the following recommendations to support the implementation of the relevant SDGs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ A standard framework and matrix on intra-regional migration should be developed and circulated to all RECs as a template for implementation, monitoring and reporting. ✚ The following best practices were recommended for adoption by RECs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ECOWAS Protocol on Right of Residence and Establishment; ▪ The COMESA Business Council Trade Facilitation Initiative - Enforcement mechanisms should be put in place to ensure compliance by RECs. - AUC and RECs should consider the construction of a Continental Infrastructure Network to ease movement via road, railway and aviation. - It is important to get the fundamental correct, by RECs' appreciation of the essence of effective migration governance and dealing with irregular migration while anchoring it in national and citizens' discourse.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strategic long term planning while addressing emerging and mega trends such as: - Population growth; actual living standards; ICT, Aviation connectivity which will attract and increase mobility; job creation and youth employment - Establishment of economic infra-structure to facilitate women and the youth employment and economic empowerment
3. New projects starting in 2016 with participation of the inter-state consultation mechanism:	- Planning for the 3 rd Pan African Forum on Migration in 2017
3A <i>If the above-mentioned project is in support to any of the migration-related SDGs, please mention it.</i>	- The pan-African forum on migration is primarily geared to support SDGs 10.7 and 17.17
5 New publications in 2016:	- "Review of the Status of Implementation of the AU Instruments on Migration and Development in Africa. <u>Report by: IOM</u>