



Side event to the United Nations General Assembly
High-Level Dialogue on International Migration and Development

The Global Migration Group: Work, Priorities and Future Directions

Friday, 4 October 2013 13:15 – 14:30
Room 2, Conference Building, UNHQ, New York
Please RSVP: rsvpnewyork@iom.int / 212-681-7000 ext. 221
A light lunch will be served.

The Global Migration Group (GMG) was established prior to the first High-level Dialogue on international migration and development in 2006, as the successor of the Geneva Migration Group. Today, it is the principal inter-agency coordination mechanism on migration, encompassing 15 entities of the UN system and the International Organization for Migration.¹ It aims to promote all relevant international and regional instruments and norms relating to migration. Bringing together heads of agencies, the GMG also seeks to encourage more coherent, comprehensive and coordinated approaches to maximize the benefits and address the challenges of migration. The side event will be an opportunity for interactive exchange among States and other participants on the GMG's work, priorities and future direction.

Programme:

Keynote Address by H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations

Panel Discussion with the current, previous and future Chairs of the Global Migration Group

William Lacy Swing, Director General, International Organization for Migration
Representative of United Nations Regional Commissions
Guy Ryder, Director-General, International Labour Organization

Moderator: Yury Fedotov, Executive Director, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

Question and answer

Closing Remarks by Sir Peter Sutherland, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for International Migration

¹ ILO, IOM, OHCHR, UN Regional Commissions, UNICEF, UNCTAD, UNDESA, UNDP, UNESCO, UN Women, UNHCR, UNITAR, UNODC, UNFPA, World Bank, WHO. See www.globalmigrationgroup.org/