What is Data?

New Oxford Dictionary definition:

«facts and statistics collected together for reference or analysis»
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**Sources and Use of Migration Data**

**Where does migration data come from?**

- Administrative migration management processes
- National record-keeping
- Activities of International Organizations

**Sources and Use of Migration Data**

**What is migration data used for?**

- Global data
- Regional data
- National data
What are the challenges?

- Terminology
- Capacity
- Resources
- Data sources
- Systematic collection, collation, storage and sharing

Number of Countries Providing Statistics on Long-Term Emigrants and Immigrants, 1971-2000

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Note: Figures are for the total number of countries/territories in 2002

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Programme of the Workshop

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Today

Panel discussions:
- The Global Perspective: data needs at the global level
- The National Perspective: sources of data and data needs at the national level
- The Regional Perspective: operationalizing the link between data, policy and legislative issues

→ Presentation of a “General model” for the collection, application and sharing of migration data
Programme of the Workshop

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**Tomorrow**

Plenary discussion on the elements and characteristics which make data useful.

**Working Groups on:**
- Data for Migration and Security
- Data for Migration and Development
- Data for Labour Migration
- Data on Migrant Trafficking

What do we hope you will take away from this workshop?