

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
Global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration

First informal thematic session on
 “Human rights of all migrants, social inclusion, cohesion, and all forms of discrimination,
 including racism, xenophobia and intolerance”¹

Palais des Nations, Room XIX
 Geneva, 8-9 May 2017

Organization of work

Day 1: Monday, 8 May 2017

Time	Session	
10:00 – 10:15	<p>Opening Segment</p> <p>Welcoming remarks by the co-facilitators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Mr. Juan José Gómez Camacho, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations • H.E. Mr. Jürg Lauber, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations <p>Remarks by Ms. Louise Arbour, Secretary-General of the intergovernmental conference</p>	
10:15 – 13:00	<p>Panel 1. Human rights of all migrants</p> <p>This panel will address issues related to the human rights of all migrants with a focus on practical implementation of international norms, as well as identifying and analysing specific challenges at all stages of migration, including the needs of migrants in vulnerable situations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Monami Maulik, Advocacy Coordinator, Global Coalition on Migration • Mr. Benjamin Lewis, Advocacy Coordinator, International Detention Coalition • Ms. Paola Cymant, Project Officer, Comisión de Apoyo a Refugiados y Migrantes (CAREF) <p>Moderator: H.E. Mr. Omar Hilale, Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of Morocco to the United Nations</p>	
13:00 – 15:00	Lunch	Space for side-events
15:00 – 17:50	<p>Panel 2. Social inclusion and cohesion</p> <p>This panel will explore ways and means to promote social cohesion in destination societies. The panel would focus in particular on the promotion and protection of economic, social, political, and cultural rights, including in respect of health, education, and adequate standard of living.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Sharon Moshavi, Senior Vice President, New Initiatives, International Center 	

¹ For further information, see:

- General concept note - Global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration. Phase I - consultations (April to November 2017) (<http://refugeesmigrants.un.org/member-states>)

- Procedural note and the SRSG’s issues brief for the first thematic session (<http://refugeesmigrants.un.org/calendar-events>)

	<p>for Journalists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Michele Levoy, Director, Platform of International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants (PICUM) • Ms. Anita Bay Bundegaard, International Advocacy Director and UN Representative, Save the Children <p>Moderator: H.E. Mr. Evan P. Garcia, Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the United Nations and other International Organizations in Geneva</p>
17:50 – 18:00	Closing remarks by the co-facilitators

Day 2: Tuesday, 9 May 2017

Time	Session	
10:00 – 10:05	<p>Welcoming remarks by the co-facilitators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Mr. Jürg Lauber, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations • H.E. Mr. Juan José Gómez Camacho, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations 	
10:05 – 13:00	<p>Panel 3. All forms of discrimination, including racism, xenophobia and intolerance</p> <p>This panel would examine ways to confront discrimination, racism, xenophobia and other forms of intolerance against migrants, including through national law that protects their rights, ensures equal access to justice, and through public discourse that supports a positive attitude towards migrants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Richard Wilson, Co-Founder, Stop Funding Hate • Ms. Piya Muqit, Executive Director, Justice Centre • Mr. Mutuma Ruteere, Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance <p>Moderator: H.E. Mr. Jānis Kārkliņš, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Latvia to the United Nations in Geneva</p>	
13:00 – 15:00	Lunch	Space for side-events
15:00 – 17:30	<p>Summary Panel: Synopsis of the main conclusions and outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Moderators present the key recommendations resulting from their panels ▪ Mr. Francois Crepeau, the Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants, thematic expert for this first informal thematic session, provides a short overview of the main discussions • Interactive exchange between the moderators, the thematic expert and Member States on the outcomes of the session 	
17:30 – 17:50	Co-facilitators will draw the main conclusions on the interlinkages and the overarching theme of the session.	
17:50 – 18:00	Closing remarks by the Co-facilitators	