WORKING TO PREVENT AND ADDRESS VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN MIGRANT WORKERS
Setting the scene

• Who are the women migrant workers?

• What do we mean by violence?

• What is the scope of the problem?
A multi-factored vulnerability

- As women
- As migrant
- As workers
A multi-factored vulnerability

- Additional risk factors
  - Legal status
  - Age
  - Class
  - Race / Nationality / Ethnicity
  - Level of education
  - Culture
  - Legal framework in the host country
  - Language
  - Religion, disability...
Why is IOM involved?

• 1995: Gender policy

• Migration and women’s empowerment
IOM’s comprehensive approach

- Legal and policy framework
- Prevention and protection
- Criminal justice system
- Remedies for victims
- Provision of direct services
- Changing attitudes/behaviour
IOM’s comprehensive approach

- Capacity-building and training
- Data and statistics
- Focus on children
Thank you!