

# The Global Migration Data Portal

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# IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre

➤ GMDAC launched in Berlin September 2015

GMDAC aims to

- Inform global migration governance
- Support data capacity-building in IOM Member States
- Promote evidence-based IOM programming

GMDAC's main areas of work are

- Knowledge management
- Capacity building
- Data collection and analysis

# Global Migration Data Portal



Berlin, July 12, 2016

- Challenge: Migration data are scattered between various institutions and countries
- Proposed on 12 July 2016 by then German Foreign Minister Steinmeier and IOM's DG Swing
- Launched on 15 December 2017
- Mentioned in the final text of the Global Compact for Migration as a repository for data

# Preparations 2016

- Economist Intelligence Unit carried out extensive mapping & landscape analysis
- Data provider meeting in October 2016
- International Conference on Improving Migration Data in the Context of the SDGs in December 2016



# Main goals

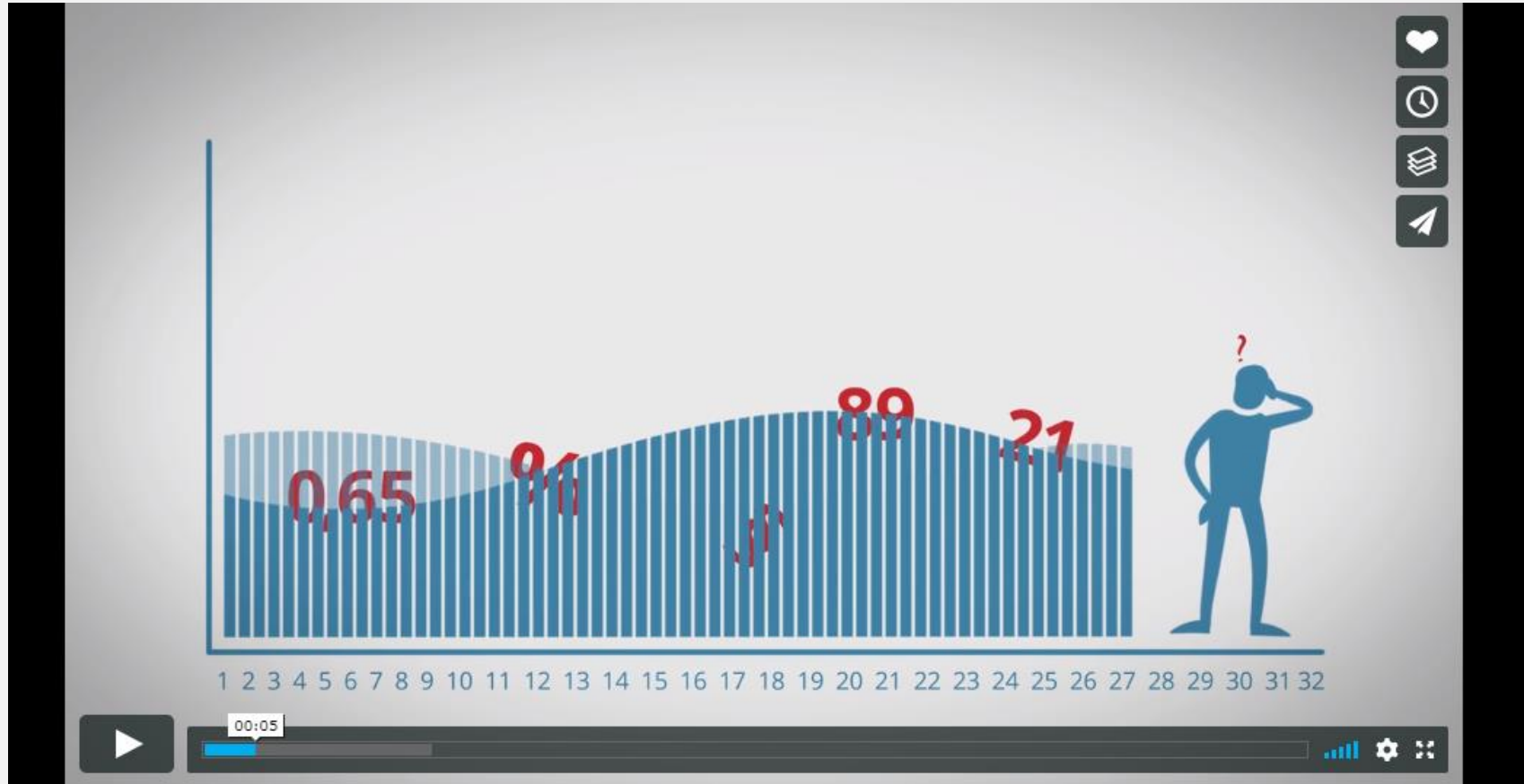
**To improve the availability and the accessibility of existing data on international migration:**

- To serve as a unique access point to timely and comprehensive migration statistics
- To provide an overview of migration data and up-to-date analysis of migration dynamics and trends
- Explain the strengths and limitations of existing data
- Provide tools to help IOM Member States collect data
- Create a platform for discussion around migration data issues



# About the Migration Data Portal

## Introductory video



# Our achievements in a year

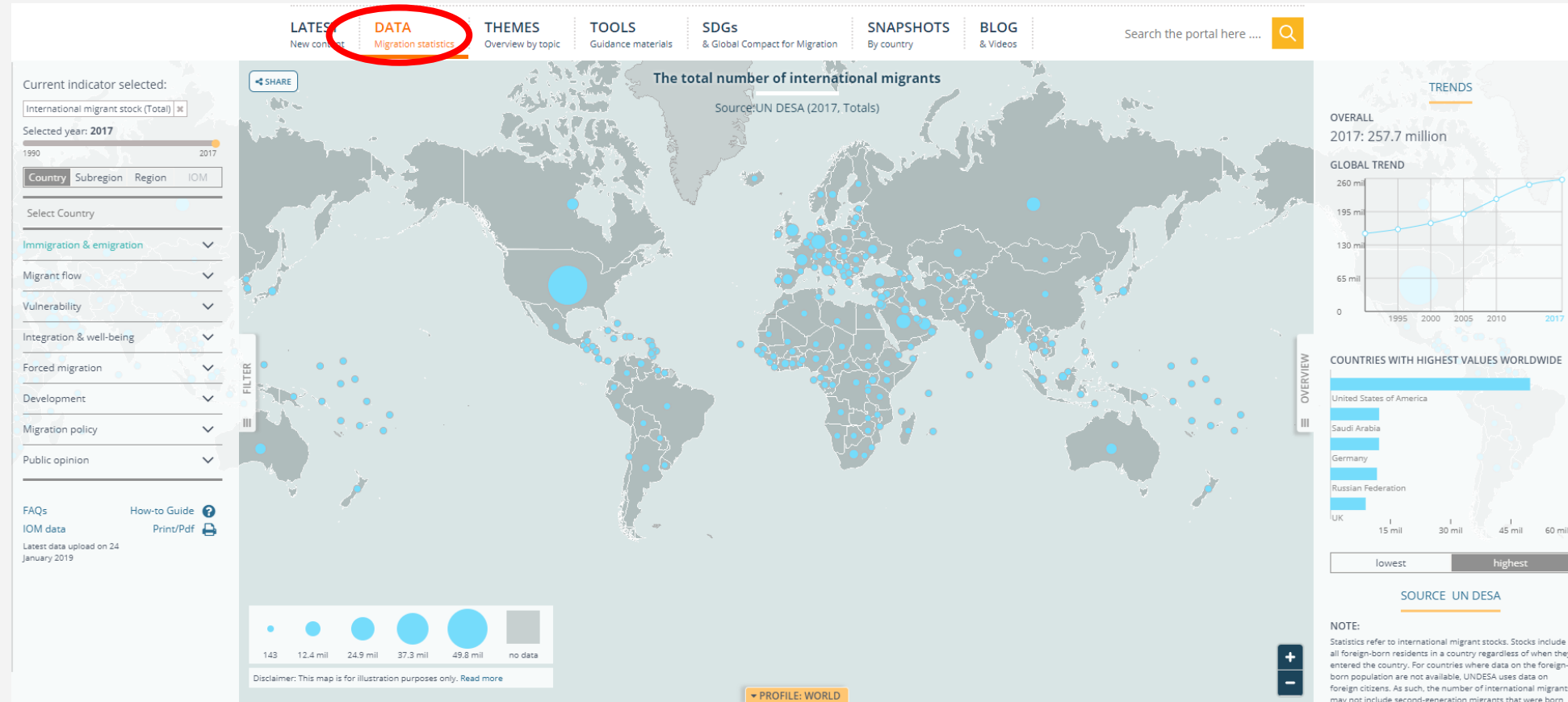


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# Global Migration Data Portal: Data & Migration Statistics

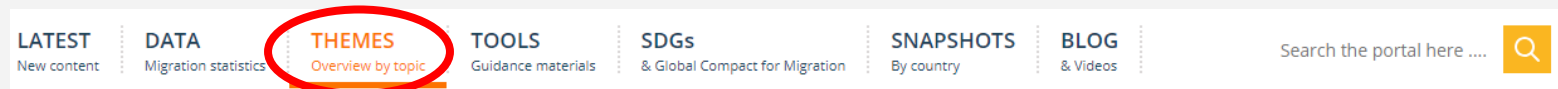
- World Map features 73 migration indicators
- 20 international data providers
- Breakdown by country, sub-region, region
- Automatically generated country profiles based on the indicators, presenting migration trends



# Global Migration Data Portal: Thematic pages

More than 30 thematic pages depicting *recent trends, data sources, and strengths & limitations of the data* organized in 5 categories:

1. Immigration & emigration statistics
2. Types of migration
3. Migration & vulnerability
4. Migration & development
5. Migration policy



Immigration & emigration statistics English

## Migrant deaths and disappearances

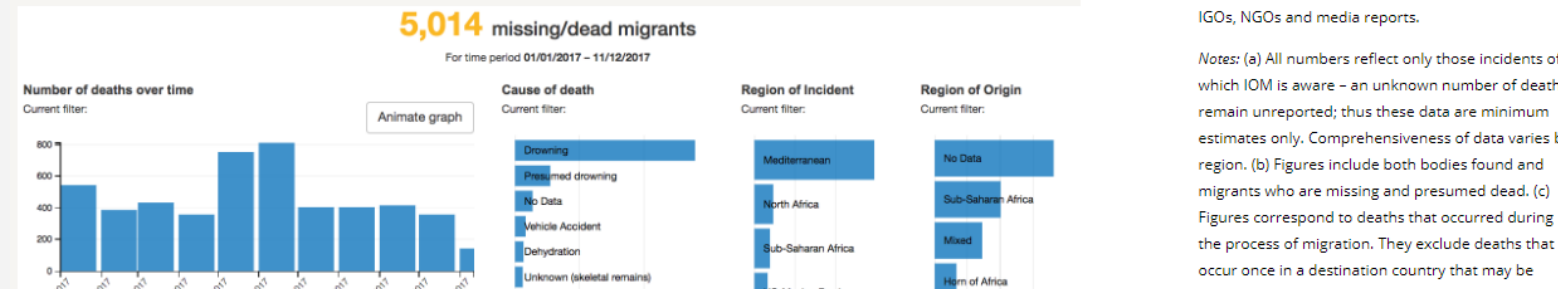
Since 2014, more than 4,000 fatalities have been recorded annually on migratory routes worldwide. The number of deaths recorded, however, represent only a minimum estimate because the majority of migrant deaths around the world go unrecorded. Since 2000, more than 60,000 migrant deaths have been recorded globally. These data not only highlight the issue of migrant fatalities and the consequences for families left behind, but can also be used to assess the risks of irregular migration and to design policies and programmes to make migration safer.

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Source: The International Organization of Migration (IOM)'s Missing Migrants Project, 2017. Data are compiled from a variety of sources including local authorities, surveys and interviews with survivors, IGOs, NGOs and media reports.

Notes: (a) All numbers reflect only those incidents of which IOM is aware – an unknown number of deaths remain unreported; thus these data are minimum estimates only. Comprehensiveness of data varies by region. (b) Figures include both bodies found and migrants who are missing and presumed dead. (c) Figures correspond to deaths that occurred during the process of migration. They exclude deaths that occur once in a destination country that may be

# Global Migration Data Portal: Tools

- Resources gathered here support efforts to improve the quality, reliability, availability and comparability of migration data.
- Searchable database of guidelines, handbooks, reports and other helpful documents.

**LATEST** | **DATA** | **THEMES** | **TOOLS** | **SDGs** | **SNAPSHOTS** | **BLOG**

New content | Migration statistics | Overview by topic | **Guidance materials** | & Global Compact for Migration | By country | & Videos

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**TOOLS**

We have selected the resources gathered here to support efforts to improve the quality, reliability, availability and comparability of migration data.

These capacity development tools offer guidance and recommendations for enhancing all stages in the production of migration statistics, from collection and analysis to use and dissemination.

Use the search filters on the left to find specific documents, or browse the tools in the sections below. For more help, [read more](#) or see our [how-to guide](#):

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Current selection:

Year of publication (select range)

1950 ————— 2020

Migration topics

Data source

Publisher

Type of tool

**HOW-TO GUIDE**

**Latest**

**KNOMAD**  
Key Notes of Migration  
Brief Guidelines for their Collection

**Key resources**

**GLOBAL MIGRATION INDICATORS**  
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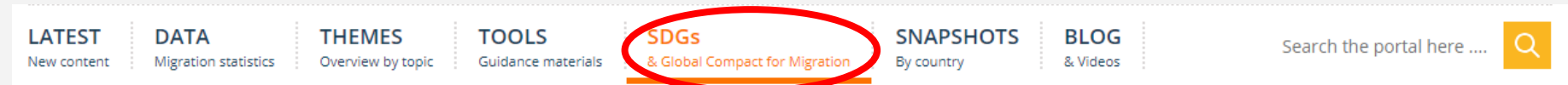
**SDGs**

**SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

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# Global Migration Data Portal: SDGs corner

- Migration is cross-cutting issue
- Measure progress on the SDGs
- Need for timely & comparable data
- Reliable data  
↓  
Starting point of data collection on SDGs



## SDG 10: REDUCED INEQUALITY

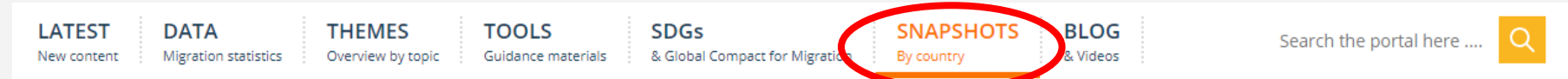
### Targets:

- **10.2:** By 2030, empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status
- **10.3:** Ensure equal opportunity and reduce inequalities of outcome, including by eliminating discriminatory laws, policies and practices and promoting appropriate legislation, policies and action in this regard
- **10.7:** Facilitate orderly, safe, regular and responsible migration and mobility of people, including through the implementation of planned and well-managed migration policies
- **10.c:** By 2030, reduce to less than 3 per cent the transaction costs of migrant remittances and eliminate remittance corridors with costs higher than 5 per cent



# Global Migration Data Portal: MGI

- Migration Governance Framework (MiGOF)
- Six dimensions of MGI:
  1. Migrants' rights
  2. Whole of Government approach
  3. Partnerships
  4. Well-being of migrants
  5. Mobility dimensions of crises
  6. Safe, orderly and regular migration



## About the Migration Governance Indicators



English Français Español

### ABOUT THE MIGRATION GOVERNANCE INDICATORS

In 2015, IOM developed a *Migration Governance Framework (MiGOF)* to help define what “well-managed migration policy” might look like at the national level. The MiGOF was welcomed by IOM’s Member States the same year. The Migration Governance Indicators (MGI) were developed to assess national frameworks, and help to operationalize the MiGOF.

**Click on the wheel to learn more about the six dimensions of migration governance included in the MiGOF and MGI.**

The MGI is a tool based on policy inputs, which offers insights on policy levers that countries can use to develop their migration governance. The MGI is not meant to rank countries on the design or implementation of migration policies, but rather to be a framework to help countries in the assessment of the comprehensiveness of their migration policies, as well as to identify gaps and areas that could be strengthened. The MGI aims to advance conversations on migration governance by clarifying what “well-governed migration” might look like in the context of SDG Target 10.7.



# About the MGI

## Introductory video



# Global Migration Data Portal: MGI Snapshots

Search for Migration  
Governance Profiles

Select Country

Select Country

- Albania (English)
- Brazil (English)
- Colombia (English)
- Colombia (Español)
- Dominican Republic (English)
- Dominican Republic (Español)



Click on the map  
to learn about  
migration governance  
in participating countries

# Global Migration Data Portal: GCM

- Data are a prominent part of the GCM (objective 1)
- Key content in the Portal organized by GCM objective

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## GLOBAL COMPACT FOR MIGRATION (GCM)

In the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM), UN Member States agree on common goals in managing international migration in all its dimensions. The non-binding GCM encompasses **23 objectives (see below)** for better managing migration at local, national, regional and global levels.

Data are a very prominent part of the GCM. Objective 1 of the GCM begins with a commitment

GCM DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

- 1 Data**
- 2 Adverse drivers**
- 3 Information**
- 4 Legal identity**
- 5 Regular pathways**
- 6 Decent work**
- 7 Vulnerabilities**
- 8 Missing migrants**

**Collect and utilize accurate and disaggregated data as a basis for evidence-based policies.**

**Commitment**

"We commit to strengthen the global evidence base on international migration by improving and investing in the collection, analysis and dissemination of accurate, reliable...

[Read more](#)





# Global Migration Data Portal: Blog & videos

Talking Migration Data interviews and blogs feature prominent migration and data experts explaining key migration data and trends from around the world.

Some examples:

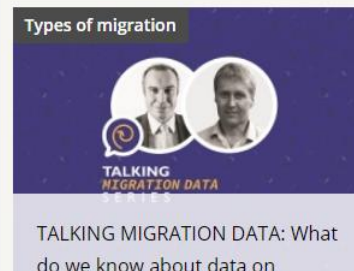
- Bela Hovy, UN DESA
- Claire Melamed, Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data
- Rainer Münz, European Commission
- Francois Gemenne, University of Liege

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## LATEST FROM OUR BLOG & VIDEOS

Welcome to our Blog. This series of articles and video interviews - our "Talking Migration Data" series - features migration and data experts explaining key migration data trends and issues from around the globe.



# The way forward

1

- Include national data sources

2

- Use Portal as a platform for regional actors to exchange data and discuss

3

- Make it possible to compare multiple selected indicators and countries



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