

International Forum on Migration Statistics

19-21 January 2020, Cairo, Egypt

The Second International Forum on Migration Statistics (IFMS) aims to mobilise expertise from a wide range of disciplines – such as statistics, economics, demography, sociology, geospatial science, and information technology – that can contribute to improving global understanding of the migration phenomenon. It will explore innovative ways to measure population mobility and generate timely statistics and ways to create synergies between different stakeholders and perspectives, with representatives from 'origin', 'transit' and 'host' countries of migrants. The Forum will also provide a unique opportunity for policy-makers migration data experts to exchange on data needs to support policy evaluations and identify best policy options.

The Forum is co-organised by the IOM, OECD and UNDESA, in collaboration with a number of partner organisations including UNECE, Eurostat, ILO, UNHCR, UNODC and the World Bank.

The second edition of the IFMS takes place from 19-21 January 2020 in Cairo, Egypt and is hosted the Egyptian Government, which currently chairs the African Union (AU), under the auspices of the AU. The Forum is supported by a Programme Committee of scientific experts, drawn from all major regions in the world, as well as a local organising committee to help with logistics.

Like the IFMS in 2018, IFMS 2020 provides a place for sharing innovative approaches to filling data gaps in the measurement of migration and migration-related topics, such as local integration and development impacts. Given that migrants often face limited access to healthcare, education, justice, labour protections and other services, the IFMS 2020 will specifically address disaggregation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and targets by migratory status (SDG 17.18).

The Forum is organized around the following six main themes:

- **Strengthening data for policy:** ensuring effective data communication and examining existing gaps in migration statistics to determine what is needed to address policy concerns;
- **Capacity development and financing:** identifying strategies to enhance data literacy as well as institutional capacities to collect, analyse and disseminate data;
- **Data collection and innovation:** lessons and new approaches to the collection of migration data, including from 2020 censuses and administrative sources, and the potential of technologically driven solutions, including big data;
- **Measuring progress on the SDGs and other global commitments:** data challenges, initiatives and indicators-based approaches to monitoring;
- **Cooperation and data governance:** exploring ways to strengthen stakeholder coordination and the exchange and sharing of data;
- **Improving availability of data on migrants in vulnerable situations:** disaggregating statistics by migratory status, age and sex – analysing challenges, opportunities and best practices.

Conference Programme

Simultaneous translation in Arabic, English, French and Portuguese will be provided during the plenary sessions.

Day 1: Sunday 19 January 2020

Time	Session	Room
08.00-09.00	Arrival and registration of participants	
09.00-10.30	Opening plenary session	
	<p>Welcoming remarks</p> <p>Chair: H.E. Sameh Shoukry, Minister of Foreign Affairs, represented by H.E. Ambassador Hamdi Saned Loza, Deputy Minister for African Affairs, Egypt</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · H.E. General Khairat Barakat, President of Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS), Egypt · H.E. America El Fadil, Commissioner for Social Affairs, African Union · Mr. António Vitorino, Director General, International Organization for Migration (IOM) · Mr. John Wilmoth, Director, Population Division of UN DESA · Mr. Stefano Scarpetta, Director of Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD · H.E. Pietro Mona, Ambassador for Development, Forced Displacement and Migration, Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs · Ms. Britta Behrendt, Head of Division M1 - Migration Policy, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Germany 	Al Saraya Ballroom, Level -4
10.30-11.00	Coffee break	Level -4
11.00-12.00	Keynote speech	
	<p><i>Why do we need better migration data? What are the main knowledge gaps on migration and how can data help address those gaps?</i></p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Ronald Skeldon, Emeritus Professor, University of Sussex and Professor of Human Geography, Maastricht University 	Al Saraya Ballroom, Level -4
12.00-13.30	Lunch break	Level -4
13.30-15.00	Parallel sessions A	
	<p>Session A.1: Climate Change and Human Migration: Data for a Difficult Subject</p> <p>Organiser: Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research and Platform on Disaster Displacement</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Kira Vinke, Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Linus Bengtsson, Flowminder Foundation · Ms. Kimberly Roberson, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees · Mr. Justin Ginnetti, Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre · Ms. Debora Gonzalez, Displacement Tracking Matrix, International Organization for Migration · Ms. Susanne Melde, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre · Mr. Muhammad Abdur Rahaman, Climate Change Adaptation Mitigation Experiment & Training (CAMET) Park 	Abdeen Section 3

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	<p>Session A.2: The Patterns of Migration in Egypt</p> <p>Organiser: Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS), Egypt Chair: Mr. Ibrahim Awad, American University in Cairo</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Abdelhamid Sharaf Eldeen, CAPMAS, Egypt · Ms. Rawia Elbatrawy, CAPMAS, Egypt · Ms. Walaa Ibrahim El Sharkaway, CAPMAS, Egypt · Ms. Wafaa Ezzet Ali, CAPMAS, Egypt · Mr. Ali Hebishi Kamel, CAPMAS, Egypt · Mr. Samir M. Farid, MED-HIMS Project and Mr. Khaled Maher, Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics, Egypt · Mr. Mostafa Younes Yousef, CAPMAS, Egypt 	Al Montaza Section 2
	<p>Session A.3: Defining and measuring return and circulation: Gaps and complementarities for policy design and evaluation</p> <p>Organiser: Spanish National Research Council Chair: Mr. Giampaolo Lanzieri, Eurostat</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Adrien Vanderburden, Institut national d'études démographiques · Ms. Amparo Gonzalez, Spanish National Research Council · Ms. Inmaculada Serrano, Instituto Universitario de Migraciones, Comillas · Ms. Daniela Vono de Vilhena, Population Europe · Ms. Raffaella Greco-Tonegutti, Enabel-Belgian Development Agency 	Al Montaza Section 1
	<p>Session A.4: National Coordination Framework in African Countries and its impact in the improvement of migration statistics</p> <p>Organiser: Statistics Sweden and the African Union Commission Chair: Mr. Stefan Andersson, Statistics Sweden</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Siham Mourabit, Division of African Union Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Morocco · Ms. Leila Ben Ali, African Union Commission · Mr. Jean-Pierre Ntezimana, Statistics Sweden · Mr. Frank Laczko, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre · Mr. William Muhwava, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa · Ms. Lucy Daxbacher, Intergovernmental Authority on Development · Mr. Ibrahim Kasso, Embassy of Sweden, Ethiopia · Mr. Jason Gagnon, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development 	Abdeen Section 1
	<p>Session A.5: Approaches to Advancing Migration Health Data Collection and Analysis at Country and Regional Level</p> <p>Organiser: University of Ottawa Chair: Mr. Charles Hui, University of Ottawa</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Ines Campos-Matos, Public Health England · Mr. Acran Salmen-Navarro, New York University School of Medicine/ Universidad Simón Bolívar, Venezuela · Ms. Olga Gorbacheva, IOM's Migration and Health Department 	Al Montaza Section 3

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Dominik Zenner, IOM's Migration and Health Department Mr. Phusit Prakongsai, Ministry of Public Health of Thailand 	
	<p>Session A.6: Old Definitions New Approaches: Migration and Big Data</p> <p>Organiser: Interface Demography / Free University Brussels</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Steffen Pötzschke, Leibniz Institute for Social Sciences (GESIS)</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Tuba Bircan, Free University of Brussels Ms. Jisu Kim, Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa, Italy Ms. Rose Evra, Statistics Canada Ms. Marta Gomez Gimenez, GMV Mr. Carlos Edmundo Arcila, University of Salamanca 	Sans Souci I
	<p>Session A.7: Regional migration data: Asia/Pacific</p> <p>Organiser: Australian National University</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Gervais Appave, Independent Consultant</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. James Raymer, Australian National University Ms. Winida Albertha, Statistics Indonesia Ms. Lucy Jordan, University of Hong Kong 	Al Montaza Section 4
	<p>Session A.8: Regional migration data: Northern and Western Europe</p> <p>Organiser: Centre on Migration, Policy and Society, University of Oxford</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Cécile Thoreau, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jan Saarela, Abo Akademi University Finland Mr. Denis Kierans, Centre on Migration, Policy and Society, University of Oxford Ms. Aude Bernard, The University of Queensland, Australia 	Abdeen Section 2
15.00-16.30	Plenary Session 1	
	<p>Best practices on the production and use of migration data: regional and country perspectives</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Michele Klein-Solomon, Director of Policy Hub, IOM</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Siham Mourabit, Minister Plenipotenciary, Head of Division of African Union Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Morocco Mr. Diego Iturralde, Chief Director, Statistics South Africa Ms. Angela Me, Chair of the Committee of Chief Statisticians of the UN System and Chief of Research and Analysis Branch, UNODC Ms. Olga Chudinovskikh, Acting Head, Laboratory of Economics of Population and Demography, Moscow State University 	Al Saraya Ballroom, Level -4
16.30-17.00	Coffee break	Level -4
17.00-18.30	Parallel sessions B	
	<p>Session B.1: Understanding migration flows: the potential of administrative data</p> <p>Organiser: International Organization for Migration (IOM)</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Frank Laczko, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre</p> <p>Speakers:</p>	Sans Souci I

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Georges Lemaître, Independent · Mr. Fabio Jimenez Castro, IOM's Regional Office for Central America, North America and the Caribbean · Ms. Brooke Theyers, Statistics New Zealand · Ms. Marina Manke, IOM's Labour Mobility and Human Development Division · Ms. Rebecca Briggs, United Kingdom Office for National Statistics 	
	<p>Session B.3: Measuring migrant health</p> <p>Organiser: Institut Convergences Migrations (French Institute on Migration)</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Dominik Zenner, IOM's Migration and Health Division</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Andrea Tortelli, French Institute of Health and Medical Research · Mr. Angad Singh, International Institute for Population Sciences · Ms. Lu Wang, Ryerson University · Ms. Julia Black, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre 	Al Montaza Section 4
	<p>Session B.4: Regional migration data: South Asia</p> <p>Organiser: Department of Census and Statistics Sri Lanka</p> <p>Chair: UNDESA</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Salpadoru Tuppahi Chandani Gaveshika, Department of Census and Statistics Sri Lanka · Mr. Muhammad Najeeb Ullah, Pakistan Bureau of Statistics · Mr. Padma Prasad Khatiwada, National Consultant for Developing Migration Profile, IOM Nepal 	Abdeen Section 2
	<p>Session B.5: Strengthening data availability through the implementation of an international policy framework and targeted evidence synthesis in the WHO European region</p> <p>Organiser: World Health Organization</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Soorej Jose Puthooppambal, University of Uppsala</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Rosa Jahn, University Hospital Heidelberg · Ms. Evika Karamagioli, University of Athens · Ms. Tonia Rifaey, World Health Organization · Ms. Elisabeth Waagensen, World Health Organization 	Al Montaza Section 2
	<p>Session B.6: Regional migration data: Eastern Europe</p> <p>Organiser: Moldovan National Bureau of Statistics</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Sara Grubanov Boskovic, European Commission</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Aurelia Sparatu, Moldovan National Bureau of Statistics · Mr. Mihail Arandarenko, University of Belgrade · Ms. Miroslava Bozogánová, The Institute of Social Sciences CSPS SAS 	Al Montaza Section 1
	<p>Session B.7: How can statistics better reflect migration realities in Africa?</p> <p>Organiser: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development and African Union</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Leila Ben Ali, African Union</p>	Abdeen Section 1

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	<p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Hanspeter Wyss, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) Mr. Elvino Nhantumbo, National Institute of Statistics Mozambique Mr. Jason Gagnon, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Mr. Ayman Zohry, American University in Cairo Mr. Rainer Münz, European Political Strategy Centre 	
	<p>Session B.8: Workshop on the Application of R for Measuring and Estimating Migration</p> <p>Organiser: The Asian Demographic Research Institute, Shanghai University</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Ellen Percy Kraly, Colgate University</p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Guy Abel, Shanghai University 	Al Montaza Section 3

Day 2: Monday 20 January 2020

Time	Session	Room
09.00-10.30	Plenary Session 2	
	<p>Measuring progress on migration-related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and other global commitments</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Francesca Grum, Chief, Social and Gender Statistics, UN DESA</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Stefan Andersson, Head of Unit, International Cooperation Office Sweden Ms. Bouchra Bouziani, Head of Social Statistics Unit, High Commission for Planning, Morocco Mr. David Donoghue, Former Permanent Representative of Ireland to the United Nations Mr. William Muhwava, Chief, Demographic and Social Section, African Centre for Statistics, UNECA Ms. Marcela Cerrutti, Professor of Sociology, Buenos Aires University Argentina 	Al Saraya Ballroom, Level -4
10.30-11.00	Coffee break	Level -4
11.00-12.30	Parallel Sessions C	
	<p>Session C.1: Children in Displacement: Data Challenges and Solutions</p> <p>Organiser: United Nations Children's Fund and United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Danzhen You, United Nations Children's Fund and Ms. Kimberly Roberson, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Bina Desai, Internal Displacement Monitoring Center Mr. Christophe Tatsinkou, National Institute of Statistics, Cameroon Mr. Oscar Ivan Rico Valencia, Unidad para la Atención y Reparación Integral a las Víctimas, Colombia 	Abdeen Section 2

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	<p>Session C.2: Enhancing the collection and utilization of migration data for policy and development planning in Sub-Saharan Africa</p> <p>Organiser: University of Pretoria</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Diego Iturralde, Statistics South Africa</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Iven Sikanyiti, Central Statistics Office, Zambia · Mr. Michel Marie, Ministry of Employment, Immigration and Civil Status, Seychelles · Ms. Karima Belhaj, Moroccan High Commission for Planning, Center for Demographic Studies and Research Migration Department · Mr. Matteo Busto, IOM's Regional Office for Southern Africa 	Al Montaza Section 2
	<p>Session C.3: Data on refugees and involuntary migrants</p> <p>Organiser: World Food Programme</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Ellen Percy Kraly, Colgate University</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Edgar Wabyona, World Food Programme · Mr. Jan Eberle, German Federal Statistical Office · Ms. Rajni Singh, Jawaharlal Nehru University · Ms. Stephanie Lemerle, French Ministry of the Interior 	Abdeen Section 3
	<p>Session C.4: Embedding innovative migration estimates into official statistics</p> <p>Organiser: Eurostat</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Giampaolo Lanzieri, Eurostat</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Maria João Valente Rosa, New University of Lisbon · Mr. Emilio Zagheni, Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research · Mr. Enrico Tucci, Italian National Statistical Institute 	Abdeen Section 1
	<p>Session C.5: Survey data on migration: regional and national approaches</p> <p>Organiser: Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Germany</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Andreas Isensee, BMZ, Germany</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Nelly Kfir, Center for International Migration and Integration, Israel · Mr. Renan Canaan, University of Sussex · Mr. Martin Schmitt, International Organization for Migration, Germany · Mr. Christian Kothe, German Federal Office for Migration and Refugees 	Al Manial
	<p>Session C.6: Setting the agenda of migration policy: Recent developments and future challenges of the measurement of migration policies</p> <p>Organiser: German Institute of Global and Area Studies</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Cécile Thoreau, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Marc Helbling, University of Bamberg · Ms. Susanne Melde, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre · Ms. So Young Chang and Mr. Pau Palop, German Institute of Global and Area Studies (GIGA) 	San Souni I

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	<p>Session C.7: Data innovation for the analysis of international migration and mobility</p> <p>Organiser: European Commission Joint Research Centre Chair: Mr. Michele Vespe, European Commission Joint Research Centre Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Mehari Taddele Maru, European University Institute · Ms. Amparo Gonzalez, Spanish National Research Council · Mr. Ettore Recchi, Sciences Po · Ms. Diana Ihring, Migration Assessment Manager IMPACT Initiatives · Mr. Steffen Pötzschke, GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences · Ms. Marzia Rango, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre (GMDAC) and Big Data for Migration (BD4M) Alliance 	Al Montaza Section 1
	<p>Session C.8: Leveraging Existing Data Collection Methodologies to Measure the Economic Contribution of the Diaspora</p> <p>Organiser: DMA Global Chair: Mr. Leon Isaacs, DMA Global Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Marina Manke, IOM's Labour Mobility and Human Development Division · Mr. Mohamed Mghari, Regional Director of High Commission of Planning, Morocco · Mr. Patrice Kiiru, Equity Banking Group 	Al Montaza Section 3
12.30-14.00	Lunch break	Level -4
14.00-14.30	Poster session	
	Throughout the IFMS, posters showing the key findings from papers submitted to the Forum will be displayed. During this session poster authors will be available to answer questions.	Level -3
14.30-16.00	Plenary Session 3	
	<p>Communicating Migration Data for Policy</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Dessislava Choumelova, Head of Unit, Demography, Migration and Governance, Joint Research Centre, European Commission Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Jay Lindop, Director, Centre for International Migration, Office for National Statistics, United Kingdom · Mr. Mark Lopez, Director of Global Migration and Demography Research, Pew Research Center · Ms. Catherine Gicheru, Code for Africa, ICFJ Knight Fellow · Mr. Gervais Appave, Independent Consultant 	Al Saraya Ballroom, Level -4
16.00-16.30	Coffee break	Level -4
16.30-18.00	Parallel Sessions D	
	<p>Session D.1: Building indicator frameworks that matter for local and national migrant integration strategies</p> <p>Organiser: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Chair: Mr. Thomas Liebig, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Jon Simmons, United Kingdom Home Office · Mr. Vebjørn Aalandslid, Statistics Norway 	Sans Souci I

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Philipp Hammer, City of Vienna Mr. Fabrizio Natale, Joint Research Centre, European Commission Ms. Cécile Thoreau, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development 	
	<p>Session D.2: Addressing the Data Gap on Remittances in Africa</p> <p>Organiser: International Fund for Agricultural Development Chair: Mr. Donald F. Terry, Yale University Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Pedro De Vasconcelos, International Fund for Agricultural Development Mr. Leon Isaacs, DMA Global Ms. Iva Lohovska, World Data Lab Mr. Amadou Cissé, African Institute for Remittances 	Al Montaza Section 3
	<p>Session D.3: The Need to Capitalize on the 2020 Census Round for Migration Analysis</p> <p>Organiser: United Nations Population Fund Chair: Mr. Renee Sorchik, United Nations Population Fund Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Godwin Gyebi Odei, Ghana Statistical Service Ms. Vu Thu Thuy, Department General Statistics Office, Vietnam Mr. Victor Ballesteros, Chilean Immigration Department Mr. Teke Johnson Takwa, Central Bureau for Censuses and Population Studies Cameroon Ms. Shu Li, National Bureau of Statistics of China 	Abdeen Section 3
	<p>Session D.4: Measuring trafficking in persons</p> <p>Organiser: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime Chair: Mr. Harry Cook, International Organization for Migration Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Angela Me, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime Ms. Kristiina Kangaspunta, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime Ms. Amandine Sourd, French National Institute for Advanced Studies in Security and Justice 	Al Montaza Section 2
	<p>Session D.5: Regional migration data: West and Central Africa</p> <p>Organiser: Network of Migration Research on Africa Chair: Mr. Aderanti Adepoju, Network of Migration Research on Africa Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Henry Akwitti, International Organization for Migration Mr. Buba Jadama, Gambia Bureau of Statistics Mr. Felicien Fomekong, Cameroon National Institute of Statistics Mr. Yannick Brice Kouogueng Yeyouomo, Cameroon Institute for Demographic Training and Research Ms. Marzia Rango, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre (GMDAC) 	Abdeen Section 2
	<p>Session D.6: Combining data sources: Addressing gaps and biases</p> <p>Organiser: European University Institute Chair: Mr. Philippe Fargues, European University Institute Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Georges Lemaître, Independent 	Abdeen Section 1

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Ettore Recchi, Sciences Po Ms. Rose Evra, Statistics Canada 	
	<p>Session D.7: Estimating the size of unauthorized immigrant populations</p> <p>Organiser: Pew Research Center</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Albert Kraler, Danube University</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jeffrey S. Passel, Pew Research Center Mr. Phillip Connor, Pew Research Center Ms. Olga Chudinovskikh, Moscow State University Ms. Francoise de Bel-Air, Gulf Labour Markets, Migration and Population Programme (GLMM) Mr. Diego Iturralde, Statistics South Africa Mr. Omar M. Ali, National Institute of Statistics of Djibouti 	Al Manial
	<p>Session D.8: Global Mobility of International Student Graduates: Data on Retention and Returnees</p> <p>Organiser: Arizona State University School of Social Transformation and Pew Research Center</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Mark Hugo Lopez, Pew Research Center</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Feng Hou, Statistics Canada Ms. Wei Li, Arizona State University Ms. Lucia Lo, York University Mr. Neil G. Ruiz, Pew Research Center Mr. Xiaoxiao Chen, Center for China and Globalization Ms. Tatiana Eremenko, Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia Ms. Amapola Generosa, New Zealand Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment 	Al Montaza Section 1
	<p>Session D.9: Gender, migration, and families left behind</p> <p>Organiser: Tokiwa University</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Keiko Osaki Tomita, President, Tokiwa University</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Navneet Kaur Manchanda, University of Delhi Mr. Serge Hounton, AMAS Project Benin Mr. Sarda Prasad, Jawaharlal Nehru University Ms. Lucy Jordan, University of Hong Kong 	Al Montaza Section 4

Day 3: Tuesday 21 January 2020

Time	Session	Room
09.00-10.30	Plenary Session 4	
	<p>Harnessing data innovation for migration research and policymaking</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Jean-Christophe Dumont, Head of International Migration Division in the Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Gogita Todradze, Executive Director, National Statistics Office of Georgia Mr. Emilio Zagheni, Director, Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research 	Al Saraya Ballroom, Level -4

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Linus Bengtsson, Executive Director, Flowminder Ms. Claudia Juech, CEO, Cloudera Mr. Richard Benjamins, Data & AI Ambassador, Telefónica 	
10.30-11.00	Coffee break	Level -4
11.00-12.30	Parallel Sessions E	
	<p>Session E.1: Are we making progress? Reflection on global initiatives aimed to improve the quality and standards in internal displacement data, analysis, and statistics</p> <p>Organiser: International Organization for Migration Chairs: Mr. Nuno Nunes, IOM's Displacement Tracking Matrix and Mr. Justin Ginnetti, Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre (co-chairs) Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Cecilia Jimenez-Damary, Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons Ms. Kim Roberson, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Mr. Bjorn Gillsater, World Bank-UNHCR Joint Data Center on Forced Displacement 	AI Manial
	<p>Session E.2: The Mixed Migration Monitoring Mechanism initiative (4Mi): An innovative approach for collecting and analyzing data on vulnerable people on the move in East, West and North Africa</p> <p>Organiser: Mixed Migration Centre Chair: Ms. Jane Linekar, Mixed Migration Centre, Danish Refugee Council Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Danielle Botti, Mixed Migration Centre (East Africa), Danish Refugee Council Ms. Ana-Maria Murphy-Teixidor, Mixed Migration Centre (North Africa), Danish Refugee Council Ms. Jessamy Garver-Affeldt, Mixed Migration Centre (West Africa), Danish Refugee Council 	AI Montaza Section 1
	<p>Session E.3: Priorities in International Migration Research and Statistics: Prospects for a World Migration Survey</p> <p>Organiser: The International Union for the Scientific Study of Population Chair: Mr. Gervais Appave, Independent Consultant Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Philippe Fargues, European University Institute Ms. Marcela Cerrutti, Centro de Estudios de Población Mr. Doug Massey, Princeton University Mr. Jean-Christophe Dumont, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development 	San Souci I
	<p>Session E.4: Supporting comprehensive action to address internal displacement through innovative monitoring tools</p> <p>Organiser: Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre Chair: Ms. Bina Desai, Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Oscar Ivan Rico Valencia, Unidad para la Atención y Reparación Integral a las Víctimas, Colombia 	AI Montaza Section 4

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Christophe Tatsinkou, National Institute of Statistics, Cameroon Ms. Sara Burrone, UNICEF Office of Research 	
	<p><i>Session E.5: Understanding labour migration: leveraging migration data to benefit migrant workers and host economies</i></p> <p>Organiser: Economic Policy Institute Chair: Mr. Mustafa Hakki Ozel, International Labour Office Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Daniel Costa, Economic Policy Institute Mr. Diego Iturralde, Statistics South Africa (presenting on behalf of primary author Ms. Princelle Dasappa-Venketsamy, Statistics South Africa) Ms. Nelly Kfir, Center for International Migration and Integration, Israel Ms. Marina Manke, IOM's Labour Mobility and Human Development Division Mr. Brian Onsase Okeng'o, African Union Commission 	Abdeen Section 1
	<p><i>Session E.6: Access to Durable Solutions Among IDPs in Iraq: what four years of longitudinal study data tells us about the IASC Framework for Durable Solutions and measuring the end of displacement</i></p> <p>Organiser: Georgetown University Chair: Ms. Lorenza Rossi, International Organization for Migration Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Rochelle Davis, Georgetown University Ms. Salma Al-Shami, Georgetown University Ms. Nadia Siddiqui, Social Inquiry 	Al Montaza Section 3
	<p><i>Session E.7: Unlocking the Value of Private-Sector Data for Migration: The Need for Data Stewardship and 100 Questions that Matter</i></p> <p>Organiser: GovLab, New York University Chair: Mr. Stefaan Verhulst, The GovLab, New York University Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Marzia Rango, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre and Big Data for Migration (BD4M) Alliance Mr. Michele Vespe, Joint Research Centre, European Commission Ms. Claudia Juech, Cloudera Foundation Mr. Rami Hazime, Maxar 	Abdeen Section 2
	<p><i>Session E.8: Current practices and innovations in international migration statistics at the U.S. Census Bureau</i></p> <p>Organiser: U.S. Census Bureau Chair: Mr. Jason Schachter, U.S. Census Bureau Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Erik Vickstrom, U.S. Census Bureau Mr. Anthony Knapp, U.S. Census Bureau Ms. Ellen Percy Kraly, Colgate University 	Al Montaza Section 2
	<p><i>Session E.9: Public Opinion on Migration, Migrants and Migration Policy Around the World</i></p> <p>Organiser: European University Institute Chair: Mr. Mark Hugo Lopez, Pew Research Center Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Martin Ruhs, Migration Policy Centre, European University Institute 	Abdeen Section 3

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	· Ms. Ana Gonzalez-Barrera, Pew Research Center	
12.30-14.00	Lunch break	Level -4
14.00-15.30	Parallel Sessions F	
	<p>Session F.1: Data on migrant deaths and disappearances: what are the methodological challenges and how can links to policy and practice be improved?</p> <p>Organiser: University of Bristol</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Frank Laczko, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre (replacing Ms. Ann Singleton, University of Bristol)</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Julia Black, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre · Ms. Jane Linekar, Mixed Migration Centre · Ms. Elizabeth Brabec, University of Massachusetts Amherst · Ms. Ann Singleton, University of Bristol (video) 	Abdeen Section 2
	<p>Session F.2: Data innovation for early warning and understanding of displacement and internal mobility</p> <p>Organiser: Big Data 4 Migration (BD4M) Alliance</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Marzia Rango, Global Migration Data Analysis Centre, International Organization for Migration and BD4M Alliance</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Justin Ginnetti, Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre · Mr. Shengjie Lai, WorldPop/Flowminder Foundation · Mr. Teddy Wilkin, European Asylum Support Office · Mr. Panca Dwi Prabawa, Statistics Indonesia · Mr. Michele Vespe, European Commission Joint Research Centre 	Abdeen Section 3
	<p>Session F.3: Making Progress to Improve Statistics on Forced Displacement: Experiences from Developing and Implementing International Recommendations</p> <p>Organiser: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees</p> <p>Chair: Ms. Kimberly Roberson, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Bouchra Bouziani, High Commission for Planning Morocco · Mr. Seyum Tadese, Central Statistics Agency of Ethiopia · Mr. Vadym Pishcheiko, State Statistics Service of Ukraine · Mr. Vebjørn Aalandslid, Statistics Norway 	Al Montaza Section 1
	<p>Session F.4: Data collection and analysis on international migration in Portuguese-speaking countries: innovative practices and proposal for the creation of an International Migration Observatory</p> <p>Organiser: PPGG-PUC Minas, Brazil and ISEG-Universidade de Lisboa, Portugal</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Duval Fernandes, PPGG-PUC Minas and Mr. João Peixoto, University of Lisbon (co-chairs)</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Antônio Tadeu Ribeiro de Oliveira, Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (IBGE) and International Migration Observatory · Ms. Inês Vidigal, Emigration Observatory 	Al Montaza Section 4

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Jorge Macaísta Malheiros, University of Lisbon · Mr. Georges Lemaître, Independent · Mr. Wilson Fusco, Fundação Joaquim Nabuco 	
	<p>Session F.5: Regional migration flow systems: Strategies for data assessment, estimation and validation</p> <p>Organiser: Australian National University Chair: Mr. James Raymer, Australian National University Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Guy Abel, Shanghai University · Ms. Qing Guan, Australian National University · Mr. Giampaolo Lanzieri, Eurostat · Mr. Arkadiusz Wisniowski, University of Manchester · Mr. Diego Iturralde, Statistics South Africa · Mr. Jason Schachter, United States Census Bureau 	San Souci 1
	<p>Session F.6: Assessing the dynamics between migration and development in Africa in the context of the multilateral trade and development agenda</p> <p>Organiser: United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) Chair: Mr. Junior Davis, Policy Analysis and Research Branch, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes (ALDC), UNCTAD Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Siham Mourabit, Head of Division of African Union Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, African Cooperation and Moroccan Abroad · Mr. Aderanti Adepoju, Network of Migration Research on Africa · Mr. Andreas Isensee, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Germany · Mr. John Mushomi, Department of Population Studies, Makerere University · Mr. William Muhwava, Population and Youth Section, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa 	Al Montaza Section 2
	<p>Session F.7: Statistics on international labour migration: statistical standards and ILO's efforts on developing methodologies for the measurement labour migration</p> <p>Organiser: International Labour Organization Chair: Mr. Mustafa Hakki Ozel, International Labour Organization Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Mustafa Hakki Ozel, International Labour Organization on behalf of Ms. Natalia Popova, International Labour Organization · Mr. Farhad Mehran, Independent · Mr. Fathi Elachhap, Université de Carthage · Mr. Yacouba Diallo, International Labour Organization 	Al Manial
	<p>Session F.8: Regional migration data: The Middle East and Northern Africa</p> <p>Organiser: University of Cambridge (TBC) Chair: Lorenza Rossi, International Organization for Migration Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Waleed Ameen Abdelkhalik Mohamed, Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics, Egypt 	Al Montaza Section 3

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ms. Nora Abd El-Khalek Mohamed, Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics, Egypt · Mr. Froilan Malit Jr., University of Cambridge · Ms. Wafaa Ezzat Aly, Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics, Egypt · Ms. Susanne Melde, IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre 	
15.30-17.00	<i>Closing plenary session</i>	
	<p>Chair: Mr. Frank Laczko, Director, International Organization for Migration's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Mr. Markus Schwyn, Vice Director and Head of Division for Population and Education Statistics, Swiss Federal Statistical Office · Mr. Sabelo Mbokazi, Head of Labour, Employment and Migration Division in the Department of Social Affairs, African Union (TBC) · Ms. Dessislava Choumelova, Head of Unit, Demography, Migration and Governance, Joint Research Centre, European Commission · Mr. Jean-Christophe Dumont, Head of International Migration Division in the Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD · Mr. John Wilmoth, Director, Population Division of UN DESA · Mr. Abdel Hameed Sharaf El Dien, Head of Population Statistics and Population Census, Egyptian Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS) 	<p><i>Al Saraya Ballroom, Level -4</i></p>

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Simultaneous translation in Arabic, English, French and Portuguese will be provided during the plenary sessions.

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Programme Committee

The selection of papers and panels for IFMS 2020 is led by the Programme Committee. The Committee is composed of migration data scientists from across the world. Representatives from the three organisers – IOM, UN DESA, and OECD – as well as the African Union and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UN ECA) are also included on the Committee.

Aderanti Adepoju, Network on Migration Research on Africa – a Nigerian, Professor, economist-demographer and a leading African migration specialist, spent several years lecturing and researching issues on migration at the Universities of Ife and Lagos, Nigeria and while working for the ILO in Addis Ababa, UN in Swaziland and UNFPA in Senegal. A former President of the Union for African Population Studies, research team leader, UN-FPA/IOM Research on Emigration Dynamics in sub-Saharan Africa, and member of World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Migration, he is now the Chief Executive of Human Resources Development Centre in Lagos and the Founder and Coordinator of the Network of Migration Research on Africa. He serves on the editorial advisory board of several key international migration journals and has published numerous scientific articles and books on aspects of Africa's international migration and regional integration. He is also Editor-in-Chief of the inaugural edition of Africa Migration Review, 2019.

Rafael Diez de Medina, International Labour Office - currently the Chief Statistician and Director of the Department of Statistics International Labour Organization. After having worked for many years in the National Statistical Office in Uruguay as technical advisor and head of the Household Surveys Division, in 1986 he joined the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) as Regional Advisor in Labour Markets, then been appointed Special Advisor to the Executive Secretary, Technical Coordinator and Director of the ECLAC's Montevideo office, working intensively at the regional level in technical assistance to all National Statistical offices, especially focused on household surveys, income and expenditures surveys, living standards surveys and poverty assessments. He participated actively in the harmonization of labour and poverty statistics jointly working with the World Bank and the Inter-American Bank in the MECOVI project, as well as in the Household Surveys Capability Programme of the UN Statistical Department. He has worked as consultant to the World Bank, the IADB, FAO, UNDP, UNIDO, GTZ, IOM, ILO, EC, UNFPA, ALADI, etc. He has taught Statistics, Sampling Techniques and Econometrics at many universities in Latin America and the Caribbean, having authored several books and publications in statistical methods and applied time series. He worked extensively in qualitative models and in labour econometrics. In 2003, he joined the ILO as

Senior Economist in the Policy Integration Department in Geneva. In 2007 he was appointed Senior Advisor for Latin America and the Caribbean in the Office of the Director General and in 2009 he was promoted to Chief Statistician and Director of a newly created ILO Department of Statistics, based in Geneva, Switzerland.

Pedro Calado, Portuguese High Commissioner for Migration - Since July 1st, 2014, Pedro Calado has taken the functions of High Commissioner for Migration, a responsibility that he leads in parallel with the CEO function of the "Choices" Program (Programa Escolhas) – a government program, created in 2001 to promote social inclusion and equal opportunities for children and young people in vulnerable contexts. Married and father of two children, he is currently 44 years old and lives in Lisbon. Mr. Calado holds a bachelor's degree (honours) in Geography from the Classic University of Lisbon with a specialization in Education, and a master's degree in Geography from the Classic University of Lisbon / University of Sheffield with a specialization in "Exclusion, Society and Territory."

Ellen Kraly, Colgate University - Ellen Percy Kraly holds the William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of Geography and Environmental Studies at Colgate University. During 2019, she is serving as the Willy Brandt Guest Professor in International Migration and Ethnic Relations, Malmö University. She is Chair of the Scientific Panel on International Migration of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population and is organizing a workshop on the demography of refugees for the U.S. National Academy of Sciences. She is former editor of the *International Migration Review*. Her published scholarship has addressed the demography of refugee and forced migration, relationship between immigration and US population and environment, emigration, international migration statistics, immigrant incorporation, and population data systems and human rights. Dr. Kraly was a member of the National Academy of Sciences Panel on Immigration Statistics and has prepared reports on topics including international migration data and immigration policies for the United Nations Statistical Commission, National Academy of Sciences, US Immigration and Naturalization Service, US Census Bureau and US Commission on Immigration Reform. She teaches courses in geography, environmental studies, peace and conflict studies and sociology at Colgate University, and serves on the faculty elected Committee on Promotion and Tenure. In 2014 she was awarded an honorary doctorate from Curtin University, Perth, Australia recognizing her work to return Aboriginal artwork to Western Australia.

Diego Iturralde, Statistics South Africa - Executive Manager of the Demography division for Statistics South Africa. The major deliverable he is responsible for is annual population estimates, which take all population dynamics into account. Mr. Iturralde has an interest particularly in issues related to migration, its measurement, analysis and management. He currently serves on positions on structures of the IOM and the UN Statistics Division related to migration and is an advocate for better migration data to quell anti-immigrant sentiment and to inform policy more effectively

Douglas S. Massey, Princeton University - Douglas S. Massey is the Henry G. Bryant Professor of Sociology and Public Affairs at Princeton University where he also directs the Office of Population Research. Prior to joining Princeton's faculty, he taught at the University of Chicago and the University of Pennsylvania. He is Past-President of the Population Association of America, the American Sociological Association, and the American Academy of Political and Social Science and is currently a member of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Philosophical Society, and the Academia Europea.

Catarina Reis Oliviera, Portuguese Observatory for Migration - Director of the Portuguese Observatory for Migration and since 2014 the scientific coordinator and author of the Portuguese series *Immigration in Numbers*, which namely publish the Annual Reports on Indicators of Immigrants Integration that is the most important publication of official data on immigrants in Portugal (with statistical and administrative data), being acknowledged by its role of monitoring the integration of immigrants in the country and the effects that national policies have on the migrant population residing in the country. In the past two years she was also part of a working group designated to work

with the National Statistical Institute (INE) on the feasibility to collect ethnic and racial data in population Census in Portugal. Catarina holds a PhD on Sociology, a MA in Statistics and a degree in Sociology, being also Assistant Professor at the University of Lisbon. In 2000 she received an academic award on Multiculturalism and Ethnicity in the Contemporary society by Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation. She has published extensively on migration issues, including book chapters and scientific journal articles. Over the years she participated in several international research projects, being among others the European coordinator of the INTI project One-Stop-Shop: a new answer for immigrants' integration. She was advisor of three Portuguese High Commissioners for Immigration and Intercultural Dialogue (presently High Commission for Migrations - ACM) and the Head of Unit of Research and International Relations of ACM between 2005 and 2015. Before that she was Lecturer in the Sociology Department of the New University of Lisbon, namely in a post-graduate course on Migration, Ethnic Minorities and Transnationalism.

Angela Me, UNODC - currently the chief of the UNODC Statistics and Surveys Section. Her current responsibilities include: i) the collection, analysis and dissemination of drug and crime statistics, ii) support to countries in their efforts to collect drug and crime data, and iii) the development of international standards in the field of crime and drug statistics. Before joining UNODC Ms. Me worked for in other international organizations, the United Nations Statistics Division and the UN Economic Commission for Europe. Ms. Me has written a number of papers, contributed to publications and made presentations in several meetings where she provided inputs on a wide range of issues related to social and demographic statistics. Ms. Me holds a Ph.D in Statistics from the University of Padua (Italy) and a Master in Statistics and Demography from the same University.

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Keiko Osaki-Tomita, Tokyo University - President of Tokiwa University and Tokiwa Junior College, located in Mito, Japan. She had a long professional career at the United Nations. From 2009 to 2018, she was Assistant Director as well as Chief of Demographic and Social Statistics Branch of the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) in New York, where she led the global collection and dissemination of demographic and social statistics, including migration statistics, and the development of standards and norms for statistical activities in these areas. Prior to this position, she was Chief of the Social Policy and Population Section at United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) in Bangkok, Thailand, and Chief of the Migration Section of UN Population Division at the UN Headquarters in New York. Her areas of academic interests include demography, international migration, gender issues, social statistics and the monitoring of SDGs. She also serves as a member of United Nations Expert Group on International Migration Statistics. Osaki-Tomita holds a Ph.D. in Sociology from Fordham University, USA, and a MA degree in Demography from Georgetown University, USA.

Ann Singleton, University of Bristol - Ann Singleton's work focuses on international migration data, the production of knowledge on migration and the development of migration and asylum policy. She has advised the European Commission, the European Parliament, the Council of Ministers and EU Presidencies, national governments, NGOs and international organizations. Between 1996 and 2002 Ms. Singleton developed the Eurostat database on international migration and asylum. From 2002 to 2004 she was responsible for policy on statistics in the European Commission's Directorate-General for Justice and Home Affairs. She wrote the European Commission's Action Plans on migration and asylum statistics, prepared the first EU online annual report on migration and asylum and pioneered, with Eurostat, the first EU legislation on statistics on migration and international protection.

Maruja M.B. Asis, Scalabrini Migration Center – Maruja M. B. Asis is the director of the Scalabrini Migration Center, based in Manila, Philippines. She is a sociologist who has long been working on international migration and social change in Asia. Her areas of interest and research work include gender, family and migration; migration and development; and migration governance. Her recently completed research dealt with comparing recruitment systems and how they shape migration governance, bilateral relations and migrant worker protection, migrant fishermen in Southeast Asia, and exploring agriculture as an alternative to migration among young Filipinos. She is editor of the Asian and Pacific Migration Journal.

Samir Farid, MED-HIMS – Samir Farid is Chief Technical Advisor of the ‘Mediterranean Household International Migration Survey’ (MED-HIMS) programme. He is a statistician-demographer based in London, UK. He has over 35 years of extensive experience in providing technical assistance to National Statistical Offices in 18 countries in the MENA region where he designed and managed more than 22 internationally funded multipurpose household surveys from inception to conclusion. His work experience spans senior scientific expert roles at the British Office for National Statistics (1970-1977), ISI/World Fertility Survey (1977-1984), the Gulf Family Health Surveys Programme (1985-2000), and EC/Eurostat/MEDSTAT & MED-HIMS Programmes. He acted as consultant for the World Bank and various UN organizations and participated extensively in international and regional expert group meetings and workshops. He was Visiting Professor at the City University of London (1988-2001). Samir Farid was co-author of “Guidelines for the Compilation of Statistics on International Migration for the Euro-Med Region” (Eurostat /MEDSTAT-II, 2009), and the main author of the MED-HIMS programme “Model Manuals” including the “Model Questionnaires”, (Eurostat/ MEDSTAT-III, 2013, and Eurostat /MEDSTAT-IV, 2019). Samir has published widely on population trends and patterns in the MENA region; he was author or co-author and editor of more than 34 books and monographs, and more than 60 scientific papers.