**United Nations Statistics Division** 

# Lessons learned from the global consultation survey

United Nations Expert Group on Migration Statistics Task Force 2: Key concepts and definitions related to international migration



#### **Global Consultation Survey**

Global consultation survey was also conducted to compile information on:

Implementation of the 1998 recommendations at national level

Variations in national practices

New forms of migration/mobility

#### Responded by:

- 103 organizations from 79 countries
- 74 NSO (8 of them do not produce statistics)



### **Stocks of migrants**

- Main criteria is 'foreign citizenship', followed by 'foreign-born persons'
- Few countries also produce the stock based on 'ever residing abroad in the past' or 'foreign citizens who were born abroad'
  - Majority of countries produce stock data based on more than one criteria, to meet the need of a wide range of users



## Flows of immigration and emigration



For countries which use administrative records, main criteria:

- Granted a legal permission of stay, or
- Established residence in the country by making a declaration to authorities





What concepts are relevant to migration policy?

What concepts are related to international migrants?

What concepts are related to temporary mobility?



## TF2 decided ...

- First, revisit conceptual frameworks for international mobility and migration for establishing common ground for the revision of the Recommendations, Main objective is to:
  - show key concepts related to international migration and mobility
- Second, revise key concepts and definitions based on the proposed frameworks
- Third, discuss how to operationalize the recommended concepts and definitions