Technical Meeting on Indicators and Operationalization of the Conceptual Framework of International Migration Statistics

Rabat, Morocco – 20-22 June 2022
The overall objective of the Expert Group is to **improve statistics on international migration for effective policymaking** through:

- Advancing methodologies to produce and use migration statistics, => 1998 *Recommendations on Statistics of International Migration*
- Implementing activities that address data gaps and national needs for capacity development
- Enhancing the coordination of international initiatives

**MEMBERSHIP**

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- Ms. Olga Chudinovskikh
- Ms. Keiko Tomita
- Mr. James Raymer

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**UN Expert Group on Migration Statistics**

Statistics Division
5 Task Forces in the UN EG on Migration Statistics

1. TASK FORCE 1: Data and Indicators Set on International Migration

2. TASK FORCE 2: Key Concepts and Definitions related to International Migration
   Closed after the endorsement of the Statistical Commission in 2021

3. TASK FORCE 3: Data Integration for Disaggregated Statistics on International Migration

4. TASK FORCE 4: Data Sources for International Migration Statistics and Operationalization of Revised Conceptual Framework

5. TASK FORCE 5: Global Programme on Migration Statistics
UN Expert Group on Migration Statistics

2017
First met in June 2017 on data disaggregation by migratory status in the context of the SDGs

2018
Formally established by the UN Statistical Commission, to work on improving statistics on international migration.

2019
- Global consultation
- Technical Report on Monitoring Migration-related SDG Indicators

2020
- Conceptual framework discussed and finalised
- Initial discussion on key policy areas and indicators

2021
- Endorsement by the UN Statistical Commission and renewed mandate

2022
- Agreement on core and additional indicators
- Technical report on Data Integration

Statistical Commission 2024
Submission of revised Recommendations for endorsement
Meeting objectives

To conclude the work of TF1 by agreeing on core and additional indicators, and their disaggregations, to be included in the revised Recommendations.

To start reflecting on the early work of TF4 and discuss data collection and production strategies as well as opportunities and challenges associated with the operationalization of the endorsed conceptual framework, as well as proposed core indicators.

To review and discuss data integration methods, as per the technical report drafted by TF3.
Working Methods and Housekeeping

- Rich agenda => time management!
- Guiding questions for each session.
- Virtual participants should send their feedback in written format as virtual participation might be limited due to technology and connectivity.
- Conclusions will be prepared by UNSD and the Co-chairs and reviewed in the final session.
- Background materials are found in this SharePoint folder.
- No paper copies of the materials will be distributed during the meeting.
- The meeting will be recorded for documentation purposes and will not be distributed.
- The meeting will be held in English without interpretation.
- Please keep your mask on at all times.
WELCOME
Session 1. Introduction to the report
“Indicators for international migration and temporary mobility”

Technical Meeting on Indicators and Operationalization of the Conceptual Framework of International Migration Statistics
Rabat, Morocco – 20 June 2022
OBJECTIVE OF TF1

- Propose a **set of data and indicators** to address **key development policy issues** that are relevant for international migration and allows for effective monitoring and evaluation. The set of data and indicators should be gender-responsive and child-sensitive.

- Distinguish between **core and additional** indicators. **Core** is understood as a minimum set of information that have to be collected by every country. **Additional** are optional information that may be collected according to national priorities/circumstances.
2018
TF1 Establishment

2019
Global consultation (questionnaire sent to all countries)

2020
Initial discussion on key policy areas and indicators

2021
Drafting and extensive consultation with TF1 and EG members

2022
Agreement on core and additional indicators

2024
Statistical Commission
Submission of revised Recommendations for endorsement
“Indicators for international migration and temporary mobility” Document

(Sent 3 times for feedback to TF1 members and 1 time to the full EGM)
Key Statistical Definitions

From the conceptual framework endorsed by the UN Statistical Commission in its 52nd session

**INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY**
All movements that cross international borders within a given calendar

**INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION**
All movements resulting in a change in the country of residence (a subset of international mobility) within a given calendar

**INTERNATIONAL MIGRANT**
A person who has changed his or her country of residence and established new residence in the country

**INTERNATIONAL TEMPORARY MOBILITY**
All movements that cross international border and do not result in a change in the country of residence – stay less than 6 or 12 months within a given year

International temporary movements of special interest:
- in the labour market,
- utilizing education or training services,
- seeking health or medical care services; and
- seeking asylum or protection as refugees
Alignment with the conceptual framework

Four subpopulations critical to understanding immigrant and emigrant populations and their international movements:
- Foreign-born foreign citizens
- Foreign-born citizens
- Native-born foreign citizens
- Native-born citizens

From a policy perspective, presenting statistics and indicators for the four subpopulations separately is highly relevant.

Conceptual framework on international migration and the coherence between flows and stocks
Source: Revised overarching conceptual framework and concepts and definitions on international migration produced by the Expert Group on Migration Statistics
Indicators referring to international temporary mobility and temporary populations are considered additional, in line with Decision 51/109 of the UN Statistical Commission.
Document Overview

Six Migration Policy Areas

PART A: Migration Indicators (MI)

PART B: Indicators for disaggregation by migratory status
Migration Policy Areas

This document identifies six migration policy areas that are relevant for international migration and temporary mobility. The areas are anchored in several global initiatives, most notably

**POLICY AREA 1**
Improve the measurement of international migration and temporary mobility stocks and flows

**POLICY AREA 2**
Address irregular cross border movements and visa overstays

**POLICY AREA 3**
Ensure access to basic services by migrants and temporary populations vis-à-vis other population groups

**POLICY AREA 4**
Increase the integration and wellbeing of migrants

**POLICY AREA 5**
Empower labor migrants

**POLICY AREA 6**
Eliminate all forms of discrimination and ending violence against migrants
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Part A

MIGRATION INDICATORS (MI) FOR PRODUCTION

POLICY AREA 1:
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POLICY AREA 2:
Address irregular cross border movements and visa overstays

CORE MIGRATION INDICATORS
that all countries are recommended to regularly produce

ADDITIONAL MIGRATION INDICATORS
that countries may consider producing, depending on their national priorities and circumstances
**Part A: Example of core indicator**

**POLICY AREA 1**

Improve the measurement of international migration and temporary mobility stocks and flows

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Foreign-born population  
Foreign citizens  
Foreign-born citizens  
Native-born foreign citizens  
Foreign-born foreign citizens | 1. Age  
2. Sex  
3. Country of birth  
4. Country of citizenship | Duration of stay  
Educational attainment  
Labour force status  
Location of residence within country |
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21 CORE INDICATORS FOR DISAGGREGATION
(from which 19 are SDG indicators)
that countries are recommended to disaggregate by migratory status

ADDITIONAL INDICATORS FOR DISAGGREGATION
that countries might consider disaggregating by migration-relevant topics, depending on their national priorities and circumstances
### Part B: Example of core indicator for disaggregation

**POLICY AREA 4**

Increase the integration and wellbeing of migrants

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1 See metadata repository: [https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/](https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/)
## Overview of proposal

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**POLICY AREA 6:** Eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against migrants
Objective of today

Building on the work of TF1, agree on core and additional indicators, and their primary disaggregations, as key elements of the revised Recommendations.

Over the next few sessions:

• We will go over each Policy Area and their respective proposed indicators and disaggregations.
• Selected discussants will delve into the relevance and feasibility of the proposals, from their country’s perspective.
• We will have guiding questions in each session.
THANK YOU !