

# The challenges of developing operational indicators for the GCM

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# Measuring progress towards the GCM objectives: a key manda



## Progress Declaration

70. We request the Secretary-General, in his next biennial report, to propose, for the consideration of Member States, a limited set of indicators, drawing on the global indicator framework for the Sustainable Development Goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda [...], to assist Member States, upon their request, in conducting inclusive reviews of progress related to the implementation of the Global Compact, as well as to include a comprehensive strategy for improving disaggregated migration data at the local, national, regional and global levels.

# Developing operational indicators: challenges

## 23 objectives

 <b>1</b> DATA	 <b>2</b> MINIMIZE ADVERSE DRIVERS	 <b>3</b> INFORMATION PROVISION	 <b>4</b> LEGAL IDENTITY AND DOCUMENTATION	 <b>5</b> REGULAR PATHWAYS	 <b>6</b> RECRUITMENT AND DECENT WORK	 <b>7</b> REDUCE VULNERABILITIES	 <b>8</b> SAVE LIVES	 <b>9</b> COUNTER SMUGGLING	 <b>10</b> ERADICATE TRAFFICKING	 <b>11</b> MANAGE BORDERS	 <b>12</b> SCREENING AND REFERRAL
 <b>13</b> ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION	 <b>14</b> CONSULAR PROTECTION	 <b>15</b> ACCESS TO BASIC SERVICES	 <b>16</b> INCLUSION AND SOCIAL COHESION	 <b>17</b> ELIMINATE DISCRIMINATION	 <b>18</b> SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AND RECOGNITION	 <b>19</b> MIGRANT AND DIASPORA CONTRIBUTIONS	 <b>20</b> REMITTANCES	 <b>21</b> DIGNIFIED RETURN AND REINTEGRATION	 <b>22</b> SOCIAL PROTECTION	 <b>23</b> INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION	

## 10 guiding principles



 PEOPLE-CENTRED	 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION	 NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY	 RULE OF LAW AND DUE PROCESS	 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
 HUMAN RIGHTS	 GENDER-RESPONSIVE	 CHILD-SENSITIVE	 WHOLE-OF-GOVERNMENT APPROACH	 WHOLE-OF-SOCIETY APPROACH



# Concrete examples of the methodological challenges we face



Minimize the adverse drivers & structural factors that compel people to leave their country of origin

- A diversity of drivers and a broad range of policies
- How do we assess the impact of targeted interventions on people's propensity to move?



Enhance availability & flexibility of pathways for regular migration

- Different governance levels : bilateral, regional, multilateral
- Different policy areas: skills, labour, humanitarian, natural disasters...
- What do we want to measure: number of agreements? number of beneficiaries?



Empower migrants & societies to realize full inclusion & social cohesion

- Multidimensional objective that involves many non-migration sectoral policies (education, labour, health, social protection...)
- Should we focus on output (policies) or outcome (migrants' integration) indicators?
- Data disaggregation: age, sex, diversity...

# “A limited set of indicators”: What are the options?

## Multi-objective indicators

Less than 23 indicators

Easy to implement and monitor  
Too simplistic?

## One indicator per objective

23 indicators

Straightforward  
But what indicator?  
Lack of depth

## A subset of indicators per objective

More than 23 indicators

In-depth analysis  
Complex to develop & monitor  
Not all countries have the same quality of data

Need for  
disaggregated  
migration data at  
the local,  
national, regional  
& global levels

# Measuring progress: the way forward



United Nations  
Network on Migration

Working Better Together




## New workstream

*Development of a proposed limited set of indicators to review progress related to GCM implementation*


## Activities

- 1 Conduct a mapping of relevant approaches to measuring the governance of migration in general and with a specific focus on the GCM.


Timeline


- 2 Developing a proposal of a limited set of indicators, building on existing indicators and data collection processes, including the work of the UN Expert Group on Migration Statistics.


Timeline


- 3 Conducting consultations with Member States and a wide range of relevant stakeholders on the limited set of indicators.

Timeline


- 4 Developing a comprehensive strategy for improving disaggregated migration data.

Timeline


- 5 Conducting a technical consultation of the draft comprehensive strategy for improving disaggregated migration data.

Timeline

