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the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD),
the Population Division of the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and
the UN Capital Development Fund (UNCDF)

cordially invite you to a

GC/M Side event on

MIGRANTS' CONTRIBUTION TO THE SDGs: FAMILY REMITTANCES AND INVESTMENT

Tuesday, 25 July 2017

01:15 pm - 02:30 pm

United Nations Headquarters
Conference Room 8

Lunch will be offered

RSVP by 21 July to:

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Agenda

When	What	Who
01:15 – 01:25	Welcoming and opening remarks	Madagascar Philippines
01:25 – 01:30	The 2017 Global Forum on Remittances, Investment and Development (GFRID): key outcomes	IFAD
01:30 – 01:35	The 2017 Global Forum on Remittances, Investment and Development (GFRID): lessons for the Global Compact for Migration	UN DESA
01:35 – 01:40	Developing the social and economic profile of remittance recipients	UNCDF
01:40 – 01:45	Remittance markets 2017 – the role of the private sector	DMA
01:45 – 01:50	Remittances and diaspora investment for rural development – the role of the civil society	Atikha
01:50 – 02:25	Moderated interactive discussion	Participants and Member States
02:25 – 02:30	Closing remarks	Organizers

Panelists

H.E. Zina ANDRIANARIVELO-RAZAFY, Permanent Representative of Madagascar to the UN

H.E. Evan P. GARCIA, Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the UN in Geneva

Pedro DE VASCONCELOS, Manager of IFAD's Financing Facility for Remittances

Bela HOVY, Chief of the Migration Section at the UN-DESA Population Division

Henri DOMMEL, Director, Inclusive Finance Practice Area, UNCDF

Leon ISAACS, Chief Executive Officer, Developing Markets Associates Ltd. (DMA)

Estrella Mai DIZON-ANONUEVO, Executive Director, Atikha Overseas Workers and Communities Initiative Inc.

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Side Event at GC/M Thematic Session #4

Tuesday, 25 July 2017

13:15-14:30

United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 8

Light lunch will be available outside the Conference Room throughout the event

Concept Note

BACKGROUND

Between 2015 and 2030, migrant workers will have sent around US\$6,5 trillion to their families back home in lower and middle-income countries, of which US\$2,5 trillion will be directed to rural areas. The support of migrant workers to their families is closely aligned with the SDGs, including those on poverty reduction, food security, decent work, health and education. This alignment represents an unprecedented opportunity for synergies and collaboration among governments, the private sector and development partners in achieving these common goals. For this to happen, the international community, and the national and local actors in both sending and receiving countries should leverage resources and partnerships to promote the transformative impact that migrant remittances have for economies and societies, leaving no one behind.

PROGRAMME DETAILS AND PURPOSE

The side-event, co-hosted by the Permanent Missions of Madagascar and the Philippines to the United Nations, and organized by IFAD, UN-DESA and UNCDF, will feature a panel discussion including representatives from member states, private sector, civil society and UN agencies.

The event aims to discuss and highlight the contribution of migrant remittances and diaspora investment to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and provide concrete, actionable recommendations to leverage their potential to development within the context of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration.

In particular, panelists will report about the key outcomes and recommendations from the 2017 Global Forum on Remittances, Investment and Development (www.ifad.org/gfrid2017), its lessons for the global compact, and the importance of developing the social and economic profile of remittance recipients.

Questions and RSVP

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