

## INDONESIA

### **Intervention on “Irregular Migration and Regular Pathways”**

*Thank you Moderator,*

*We would like to greatly thank the UN for convening this session related to migrant workers, the issue that is dearly close to the heart of my country.*

*We would like to support the statements by the panelists that emphasize the importance of establishing bilateral agreements between the origin and destination countries. Agreements can increase transparency and accountability in the recruitment process, define elements of contract, classification of job, remuneration, as well as facilitates sharing of labour information and mechanism for their return.*

*But, having an agreement only is far from sufficient in guaranteeing the protection of the rights of migrant workers. We need to see the effective implementation of such agreements. We do hope that the Global Compact for Migration can provide ways to ensure the effective implementation of such agreements. Along with the bilateral level of protection, we call countries to ratify the Migrant Workers Convention.*

*With regards to optimizing the triple win concept, we are convinced that the integration of migrants in countries of destination, while promoting and protecting rights of migrant workers are instrumental.*

*We acknowledge also the need of pre departure orientation program. In this regards, Indonesia has been strengthening coordination among relevant government institutions through the establishment of integrated services for Indonesian migrant workers. We believe that the integrated services would improve the pre-departure protection of migrant workers.*

*Finally, in the expansion of safe, orderly and regular migration pathways, simplification of migration process and permit are substantial, without undermining the rights and responsibility of states to protect their border. This simplification will also reduce the cost of migration, hence reduce the burden of the migrant, and most importantly, by easing the regular pathway will also reduce incentive for migrant to choose irregular pathways.*

*I thank you.*

## **Intervention on “Recognition of Skills and Qualifications and Relevant Measures”**

*Thank you distinguished Moderators and Panelists for such informative session;*

- *The mobility of skilled workers is an important feature of global economy. Nonetheless, skills mismatch remains a serious obstacle to the mobility of skilled workers. Takes note of several reports that underline the gap between workers’ capacities and the job requirements.*
- *It is an imminent problem for Indonesia, both as important origin country of migrant workers and currently having one hundred and thirty millions labour force.*
- *It is our urgent need to continuously expand link and match mechanism beyond national level, to also include regional and global levels.*
- *At national level, we apply a comprehensive strategy for skills development to respond the future global job opportunities, among others, through capacity building by revitalizing our Vocational Training Centers in and upgrading skills recognition, encourage the transition from informal to formal workers, and encourage Youth Apprenticeship in collaboration with private sectors. We are supported by the private sectors that actively involve in workers’ trainings, designing of skills certification, mutual recognition, as well as skills assessment.*
- *In line with the Panelist’s speech, at bilateral and regional sphere, Indonesia is party to agreements on Mutual Recognition of Skills, Movement of Natural Persons and the Qualification Reference Framework, covering professions such as engineers, architects, nurses and caregivers and tourism services. It is our understanding that the skill recognition and certification shall be endorsed by the authorities of the receiving countries.*
- *In this context, we do hope that the Global Compact on Migration can later on guide us on innovative ways to better address the matching process between demand and supply of workers, including the development of comprehensive labor market information system so that we can achieve the decent work condition within the framework of fair, ethical and safe migration.*

*I thank you.*