



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

27 April 2018

Excellency,

In accordance with paragraph 30 of General Assembly resolution A/RES/71/280 on the modalities for the intergovernmental negotiations of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, I will convene the fifth informal interactive multi-stakeholder hearing as part of the preparatory process on 21 May 2018 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. The hearing will take place in Conference Room 4.

The interactive hearing will provide representatives of Member States, observers of the General Assembly, national human rights institutions compliant with the Paris Principles, non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, accredited civil society organizations, academic institutions, parliaments and the private sector, with an opportunity to contribute constructively to the preparations for the Intergovernmental Conference to adopt a Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration.

I am pleased to enclose herewith the provisional agenda of the hearing. A more detailed programme for the hearing will be provided in due course.

I encourage representatives of Member States to participate in the hearing. I invite interested Member States and Observers as well as other stakeholders to indicate their interest to speak via email to [opga72@un.org](mailto:opga72@un.org).

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'M. Lajčák', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Miroslav Lajčák

All Permanent Representatives  
and Permanent Observers to the United Nations  
New York

**Fifth informal interactive multi-stakeholder hearing**  
***Migration – What’s Really Going On: Lessons from the field***

**21 May 2018**

**Conference Room 4, UN Headquarters, New York**

At this fifth and final multi-stakeholder meeting, the discussion will focus on carrying out activities that will result in safer, more orderly and regular migration. The success of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration will be determined by its implementation and impact.

Many governments, along with civil society organisations and companies have developed practices that contribute to safe, orderly and regular migration. These reflect whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches in countries of origin, transit and destination. We can learn from what already exists and is happening at the local and national levels.

As the GCM is being negotiated, the Hearing will provide an opportunity for sharing experiences and best practices from the field. This will include how stakeholders are addressing some of the central issues being discussed in the negotiation in a practical way. These experiences could also help pave the way for implementation of the GCM once agreed.

<b>Time</b>	
<b>10:00-10:40</b>	<b>Opening of the multi-stakeholder hearing</b>  Opening remarks by the President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Miroslav Lajčák  Remarks by: Ms. Louise Arbour, Secretary-General of the intergovernmental conference on international migration  Mr. William Lacy Swing, Director General of the International Organisation for Migration  Migrant Perspective: TBC
<b>10:45-12:40</b>	<b>Panel Discussion: <i>Best practices to support safe, orderly and regular migration</i></b>  Panellists: TBC  Moderator: TBC
<b>12:40 – 13:00</b>	<b>Closing of the multi-stakeholder hearing</b>

	<p>Remarks by H.E. Mr. Juan Jose Gomez Camacho, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations, and H.E. Mr. Jurg Lauber, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations – co-facilitators of the intergovernmental consultations and negotiations on issues related to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, the intergovernmental conference</p> <p>Closing remarks by the President of the General Assembly</p>
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