







## <u>Provisional Agenda</u><sup>1</sup> Geneva, 12 March 2014

# The Role of Business in International Migration Engaging the private sector as partners for positive development outcomes

09.00 - 09.30 Registration and coffee (Bar des Délégués, R3, ILO Building)

09:30 - 11:00 (Salle II, R<sub>3</sub>) Welcoming remarks Ambassador Eva Åkerman Börje, Chair GFMD 2013-2014

Opening remarks, *Ola Henrikson*, Director General, Swedish Department of Migration and Asylum

Remarks by *Peter Sutherland*, Special Representative of the UN Secretary General on Migration and Chair of Goldman Sachs International

The Hague Process on Refugees and Migration – Highlights of global study on how 10 key sectors are impacted by migration policies in their daily operations.

Comments on findings by a panel of business representatives

Discussion with the floor, led by co-conveners *Ms. Esen Altug*, Deputy Director General for Migration, Asylum and Visa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Turkey and *Ms. Jennifer Irish*, Minister-Counsellor, Canadian Permanent Mission to the UN in Geneva

GFMD Chair - summary and instructions for roundtable meeting rooms

11:00-11:30

Networking Coffee Break (Bar des Délégués, R3, ILO Building)

11:30 – 13:30 Roundtable breakout sessions shaped around four sectors:

1. **Extractives:** The broader economic impact for states and business of local content and hire policies. (Salle III, R<sub>3</sub> Level)

Moderator: Göran Hultin, Caden Corporation

2. **Ethical Recruitment:** Ensuring ethical recruitment practices in the supply chain (Salle IV, R2 Level)

Moderator: Federico Soda, IOM

3. **Financial services:** Aligning identification requirements and migration policies to ensure access to financial services for migrants (Salle VI, R<sub>3</sub> Level) Moderator Barbara Span, Western Union

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4. **Emerging Needs:** Shaping visa policies to address skills gaps in emerging sectors such as human care, education and hospitality (Salle VII, R2 Level)

Moderator: Lynn Shotwell, Council for Global Immigration

## **Guiding questions:**

### For businesses:

- In what way is your sector constrained or supported by various countries' migration policies?
- How do the different migration systems impact pursuit of corporate goals, employment, supply chain sourcing and customer bases?
- What practical recommendations would you like to make to governments on how migration policies can improve the investment climate and competitiveness of the country thereby enhancing development?
- What consultation process would you like to see states establish with businesses and what format would you prefer to use?

### For states:

- How can policy-makers and the private sector cooperate to improve access to skills and talent on the global labour market?
- What is the impact of current migration policies on specific business sectors? Do limitations to hiring of skilled migrant workers in one sector negatively impact another sector?
- What new models of public-private cooperation exist which balance the need to access skills and talent with adequate protection of domestic labour markets?
- What format can states use to best engage businesses on discussions on the impact of migration policies?

13.30 – 15:00 Extended lunch, Eurest; ILO Restaurant, R2 level, ILO Bulding

15:00 – 17:00 Afternoon Plenary Session hosted by co-conveners *Ms. Esen Altug*, Deputy Director General for Migration, Asylum and Visa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Turkey and *Ms. Jennifer Irish*, Minister-Counsellor, Canadian Permanent Mission to the UN in Geneva (Salle II, R<sub>3</sub> level)

Report from rapporteurs from each of the roundtables

Concluding reflections from a business perspective including next steps on collaboration summarized by Lynn Shotwell, Executive Director, Council for Global Immigration, USA

Remarks incorporating states' perspective by co-conveners Canada and Turkey

Closing remarks by GFMD Chair

17:00 End of meeting



