

Dubai International Humanitarian Aid and Development Conference
Building Sustainable Partnerships in Humanitarian Assistance and
Development Activities

Session 5:
Partnerships to Further Strengthen
Disaster Response Operations

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Demand for Growth: Migration

Mega-trend: One in Seven

7 billion Population

| 1 billion Migrants



214 million **International**

740 million **Internal**

Urbanization: 50%

Feminization: ca. 50%

International migration: faster growth than in past 25 yrs
(Intelligence Council on Global Trends 2030)

Migration Drivers Increase Complexity

1. **DEMOGRAPHY**: North – ageing, South – youthful
2. **DEMAND** labour shortage vs. labour surplus
3. **DISPARITY** increasing: economic, social
4. **DISTANCE** shrinking : budget transportation
5. **DIGITAL REVOLUTION**: instant information
6. **DISASTERS**: natural & human-made, rapid & slow onset
7. **DREAMS**: life with dignity and prosperity.

Effective crisis response requires contextualized solutions

- **Complex causes**

- Man made or natural disaster
- Civil unrest, clashing ethnic groups, environmental challenges

- **Crisis in one country**

- Jeopardized livelihoods
- Mobility in the region and beyond
- Disrupted trade and labour channels

Not just emergency response - Safe & orderly migration through sustainable approaches

IOM Migration Crisis Operational Framework

Holistic & Mobility-driven

Added Value – (I) Analytical:

- **Vulnerable groups identified**
 - Migrant workers, irregular migrants, trafficking victims
- **Shared vocabulary and analysis**
 - Clear communication

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Added Value – (2) Operational:

- **Enhanced coordination:** no duplication
- **Increased effectiveness:** specific roles
- **Displacement Tracking Matrix**
 - mapping, assistance, targeting, monitoring, evaluation

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Added Value – Results (I):

- **Reinforced partnerships** - Identified vital areas
 - E.g., OCHA-led cluster, UNHCR
 - From peace and security to broad development framework
- **Clear partnerships** - Supports Transformative Agenda

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Added Value – Results (2):

- **Support to states**
 - Protection of human rights
 - Migration: from crisis response to tool for development
- **Sustainable recovery**
 - migration – development nexus
 - HLD and post-2015 development agenda

IOM Mission:

*Humane and orderly migration
to benefit migrants and societies*

→ Cooperation with all actors involved in migration:

- **Help Govt's address migration challenges and opportunities**
- **Advance comprehensive understanding of migration issues**
- **Promote social & economic development through migration**
- **Uphold migrants' dignity & well-being**