

# INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS DAY

Global Celebration  
of Our Rights and  
Our Struggle  
for Justice

18  
December

Whole day  
online event

6PM-7AM (GMT+8), 18-19 December  
2PM-3AM (GST), 18-19 December  
11AM-12AM (CET), 18 December  
5AM-6PM (ET), 18 December

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## TIME

## Program Overview

18-19 (GMT+8)  
14-15 (GST)  
11-12 (CET)  
5-6 (ET)

Opening Ceremony

19-20 (GMT+8)  
15-16 (GST)  
12-13 (CET)  
6-7 (ET)

Justice for Wage Theft

20-22 (GMT+8)  
16-18 (GST)  
13-15 (CET)  
7-9 (ET)

Launch of the Migrant Worker Rights Navigator Tool  
2nd Anniversary of the Adoption of  
the Global Compact for Migration

22-24 (GMT+8)  
18-20 (GST)  
15-17 (CET)  
9-11 (ET)

Civil Society and the Migrants Rights  
Agenda: Where are We Now and Where  
are We Going?

24-1.30 (GMT+8)  
20-21.30 (GST)  
17-18.30 (CET)  
11-12.30 (ET)

Reclaiming the Narratives

1.30-3 (GMT+8)  
21.30-23 (GST)  
18.30-20 (CET)  
12.30-14 (ET)

“We Didn’t Cross the Borders, the  
Borders Crossed Us”: Advocating for  
Pathways for Regular Migration

3-4:30 (GMT+8)  
23-00:30 (GST)  
20-21:30 (CET)  
14-15:30 (ET)

Detention and Returns:  
Going Beyond Alternatives

4:30-6 (GMT+8)  
00:30-2 (GST)  
21:30-23 (CET)  
15:30-17 (ET)

Climate Justice and the Right to  
Mobility For All

6-7 (GMT+8)  
2-3 (GST)  
23-24 (CET)  
17-18 (ET)

Closing Ceremony

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# OPENING CEREMONY

<b>PROGRAMME</b>	<b>SPEAKERS/PERFORMER</b>
<i>Welcome</i>	<b>Amish Karki</b> , <i>Emcee</i>
<i>Opening</i>	<b>Mariane Quintao</b>
<i>Remarks</i>	<b>Myrtle Witbooi</b> , <i>President, International Domestic Workers Federation</i>
<i>Blessing</i>	<b>Kumu Hinaleimoana</b> and <b>Pefi Kingi</b>
<i>Online Concert</i>	<b>Bhavahara</b> , <i>Indian Institute for Performing Arts, Bahrain</i> <b>Erwin Puhawan</b> , <i>Kanlungan Foundation, Philippines and Member of Soulful Band</i> <b>Bhing Navato</b> , <i>Filipino Migrant Worker, Singapore</i> <b>INDUS Band</b> , <i>India and Bangladesh</i>

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**14-15 (GST)**

**11-12 (CET)**

**5-6 (ET)**

# JUSTICE FOR WAGE THEFT

<b>PROGRAMME</b>	<b>SPEAKERS/PERFORMER</b>
<i>Welcome Remarks</i>	<b>Ellene Sana</b> (Moderator) <i>Executive Director, Center for Migrant Advocacy, Philippines</i>
<i>Bangladesh</i>	<b>Mr. Badshah</b> , <i>Bangladeshi Migrant Worker, Maldives</i> <b>Inzam Haque</b> , <i>Refugee and Migratory Movements Research Unit, Bangladesh</i>
<i>India</i>	<b>Dasarathi Barik</b> , <i>Indian Migrant Worker, Saudi Arabia</i> <b>Parvathi Devi K</b> , <i>Center for Indian Migrant Studies, Kerala</i>
<i>Mali</i>	<b>Ousmane Diarra</b> , <i>President, Association Malienne des Expulsés (AME) (TBC)</i>
<i>Philippines</i>	<b>Lorena Perez</b> , <i>Filipino Migrant Worker, Qatar</i> <b>She Gonzales</b> , <i>Center for Migrant Advocacy, Philippines</i>
<i>United States of America</i>	<b>Lissette Marquez Pacheco</b> , <i>Mexican Migrant Worker, USA</i>
<i>Synthesis and Discussion</i>	<b>Ellene Sana</b>

**19-19.45 (GMT+8) 15-15.45 (GST) 12-12.45 (CET) 6-6.45 (ET)**

# LAUNCH: MIGRANT WORKER RIGHTS NAVIGATOR TOOL



PROGRAMME	SPEAKERS/PERFORMER
Introduction	<b>Ayessa Nilong</b> , Migrant Forum in Asia
MFA and DTP partnership	<b>Patrick Earle</b> , Diplomacy Training Program
Development of the tool	<b>Glenda Foo</b> , University of New Southwales
Wrap up	<b>Ayessa Nilong</b> , Migrant Forum in Asia

## Virtual Launch: MIGRANT WORKER RIGHTS NAVIGATOR TOOL

18 DECEMBER 2020 (FRIDAY)  
7:45pm-8:00pm Manila/12:45PM-1:00PM CET

on International Migrants Day: Global  
Celebration of Our Rights and  
Struggle for Justice

19.45-20 (GMT+8) 15.45-16.00 (GST) 12.45-13 (CET) 6.45-7 (ET)



# 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE ADOPTION OF THE GLOBAL COMPACT ON MIGRATION



## INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS DAY 2020

A SPECIAL SESSION ON:

### The 2nd Anniversary of the Adoption of the Global Compact for Migration (GCM)

8:00PM-10:00PM GMT+8 | 4:00PM-6:00PM GST | 1:00PM-3:00PM CET | 7:00AM-9:00AM ET

18 DECEMBER 2020 (FRIDAY)

MODERATOR:



**WILLIAM GOIS**  
Regional  
Coordinator,  
Migrant  
Forum in Asia



**FERNANDO DE LA MORA**  
Coordinator for Social,  
Economic, Human Rights and  
Humanitarian Affairs,  
Permanent Mission of Mexico to  
the United Nations



**JONATHAN PRENTICE**  
Head, Secretariat of the UN  
Network on Migration



**SHABARI NAIR**  
Labour Migration Specialist  
for South Asia, International  
Labour Organization

SPEAKERS:



**SHAHIDUL HAQUE**  
Former Foreign Secretary  
Bangladesh



**SOPHIE VAN HAASEN**  
Mayors Mechanism Coordinator,  
Global Forum on Migration  
and Development



**TENDAYI BLOOM**  
Lecturer in Politics and  
International Studies,  
University of Birmingham, UK

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ARABIC, FRENCH, AND SPANISH**

**20-22 (GMT+8)**

**16-18 (GST)**

**13-15 (CET)**

**7-9 (ET)**

# CIVIL SOCIETY AND THE MIGRANTS RIGHTS AGENDA: WHERE ARE WE NOW AND WHERE ARE WE GOING?

PROGRAMME	SPEAKERS
Welcome/Introduction	<b>Colin Rajah</b> , <i>Coordinator, Civil Society Action Committee (Moderator)</i>
Interactive, Davos-style, moderated discussion and dialogue	<b>Ambet Yuson</b> , <i>General Secretary, Building and Wood Worker's International (BWI) / Council of Global Unions (CGU)</i>
	<b>Ignacio Packer</b> , <i>Executive Director, International Council of Voluntary Agencies (ICVA)</i>
	<b>Mamadou Goita</b> , <i>Executive Director, Pan-African Network in Defense of Migrants Rights (PANiDMR)</i>
	<b>Marta Verani</b> , <i>Global Focal Point, UN-MGCY</i>
	<b>Michele Levoy</b> , <i>Director, Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants (PICUM)</i>
	<b>Oscar A. Chacon</b> , <i>Executive Director, Alianza Americas</i>
	<b>Stella Opoku-Owusu</b> , <i>Deputy Director, African Foundation for Development (AFFORD)</i>
	<b>William Gois</b> , <i>Regional Coordinator, Migrant Forum in Asia (MFA)</i>
Interpretation in Arabic, English, French and Spanish	

22-24 (GMT+8) 18-20 (GST) 15-17 (CET) 9-11 (ET)

# RECLAIMING THE NARRATIVE

<b>PROGRAMME</b>	<b>SPEAKERS</b>
<i>Welcome/Introduction</i>	<b>Clara Keller-Skupieñ</b> , <i>Action Committee Secretariat (Moderator)</i>
<i>Panel Discussion and Q&amp;A</i>	<b>Eva Garzon</b> , <i>Migration Lead, Oxfam Intermon</i>
	<b>Stella Opoku-Owusu</b> , <i>Deputy Director, African Foundation for Development (AFFORD)</i>
	<b>Thomas Mathew</b> , <i>GCC Coordinator, CIMS Kerala</i>

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**11-12.30 (ET)**



# "WE DIDN'T CROSS THE BORDERS, THE BORDERS CROSSED US": ADVOCATING FOR PATHWAYS FOR REGULAR MIGRATION".

PROGRAMME	SPEAKERS
Welcome/Introduction	<b>Colin Rajah</b> , <i>Coordinator, Civil Society Action Committee (Moderator)</i>
Panel Discussion and Q&A	<b>Daniel Costa</b> , <i>Director of Immigration Law and Policy Research, Economic Policy Institute (EPI)</i>
	<b>Eduardo Canales</b> , <i>Board Chair, National Network for Immigrant and Refugee Rights (NNIRR), Director, South Texas Human Rights Center</i>
	<b>Evalyn Tennant</b> , <i>Associate, GMPA and Co-convenor of Climate, Migration &amp; Displacement Platform</i>
	<b>Onyekachi Wambu</b> , <i>Executive Director, African Foundation for Development (AFFORD)</i>
	<b>Representative</b> , <i>Bloque Latino-Americano (TBC)</i>
<i>Interpretation in English, French and Spanish</i>	

1.30-3 (GMT+8)

21.30-23 (GST)

18.30-20 (CET)

12.30-14 (ET)

# DETENTION AND RETURNS: GOING BEYOND ALTERNATIVES

## MODERATOR:



**WILLIAM GOIS**  
Regional Coordinator,  
Migrant Forum in Asia



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## SPEAKERS:



**CHRISTINA FIALHO**  
Executive Director  
Freedom for Immigrants  
California



**MICHAEL FLYNN**  
Executive Director  
Global Detention Project  
Switzerland



**MICHELE LEVOY**  
Director  
Platform for International  
Cooperation on Undocumented  
Migrants (PICUM)



**PABLO CERIANI**  
Coordinator of the Migration  
& Asylum Program  
Institute for Justice and Human  
Rights National University of Lanús  
(UNLA, Argentina)

# DETENTIONS & RETURNS

## Going Beyond the Alternative

8:00PM-9:30PM CET (18 December 2020, Friday)

2:00PM-3:00PM ET (18 December 2020, Friday)

3:00AM-4:30PM GMT+8 (19 December 2020, Saturday)

11:00PM-12:30AM GST (18-19 Dec. 2020, Friday-Saturday)

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3-4:30 (GMT+8)

23-00:30 (GST)

20-21:30 (CET)

14-15:30 (ET)

# CLIMATE JUSTICE AND THE RIGHT TO MOBILITY FOR ALL

<b>PROGRAMME</b>	<b>SPEAKERS</b>
<i>Welcome/Introduction</i>	<b>Andrew Fuys</b> , Senior Director, Global Migration at Church World Service, CMDP <i>Steering Group member</i>
<i>Panel Discussion and Q&amp;A</i>	<b>Salote Soqo</b> , Senior Partnership Officer for Climate Justice and Crisis Response, <i>Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC)</i>
	<b>Emeline Siale Ilolahia</b> , Executive Director, Pacific Islands Association of Non- <i>Government Organisations (PIANGO), Fiji/ Tonga/ Pacific region</i>
	<b>Helena Olea</b> , Associate Director for Programs, Alianza Americas
	<b>Lucía Galoppo</b> , Coordinator, Legal Program, CAREF (Comisión Argentina para <i>Refugiados y Migrantes) and CAREF-CELS-UBA Legal Clinic</i>

**4:30-6 (GMT+8)**

**00:30-2 (GST)**

**21:30-23 (CET)**

**15:30-17 (ET)**

# CLOSING CEREMONY

<b>PROGRAMME</b>	<b>SPEAKERS</b>
<i>Welcome/Introduction</i>	<b>Ignacio Packer</b> , <i>Emcee</i> <i>Executive Director, International Council of Voluntary Agencies (ICVA)</i>
<i>Closing Remarks</i>	<b>Eva Sandis</b> , <i>Chair Emeritus, NGO Committee on Migration</i> <b>Stéphane Jaquemet</b> , <i>Director of Policy, International Catholic Migration Commission (ICMC)</i>
<i>Online Concert</i>	<b>Arnoldo Garcia</b> , <i>Cultural performer, USA</i> <b>Glen Jackson</b> , <i>Performer from Niue Island</i> <b>Krishnan Hariharan</b> , <i>Indian Institute of Performing Arts, Bahrain</i>

**6-7 (GMT+8)**

**2-3 (GST)**

**23-24 (CET)**

**17-18 (ET)**