



# **World Humanitarian Summit Commitments**

## **International Organization for Migration (IOM)**

### **2019**

## Individual commitments

### **1D** Develop solutions with and for people

#### Individual Commitments

Commitment Description	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility	Commitment ID
IOM commits to continue to refine and expand the work of former combatants, reintegration and security sector reform as a critical peace building partner in the international community.	Operational	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts	200005

### **2B** Ensure full access to and protection of the humanitarian and medical missions

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Commitment Description	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility	Commitment ID
IOM commits to use its Principles for Humanitarian Action to support the efforts of States to fulfil their responsibilities to protect and assist crisis-affected persons. In line with the Charter of the United Nations and in the spirit of the humanitarian imperative to save the lives and alleviate human suffering, IOM is committed to providing humanitarian assistance and protection in accordance with international law and norms, wherever it is required.	Operational	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity	200015

### **2D** Take concrete steps to improve compliance and accountability

#### Individual Commitments

Commitment Description	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility	Commitment ID
IOM will work towards fully implementing the PSEA Minimum Operating Standards, including by developing operational tools and clear guidance for the field on agency commitments and activities to protect against sexual exploitation and abuse.	Policy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity	200001

IOM commits to mitigate vulnerability and build resilience within its shelter programming by finalizing and operationalize its shelter assessment and monitoring toolkit in regards to GBV. The GBV Shelter Toolkit will include tools to perform rapid gender analysis, practical guidelines in terms of gender action planning as well as guidance on how to extend referral pathways to GBV and protection actors within the shelter context.	Policy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity	200010
IOM will take measures to ensure that its staff members provide humanitarian assistance and services in a manner that respects and fosters the rights of beneficiaries, prevents SEA against beneficiaries (abusive and exploitative sexual activities with beneficiaries are absolutely prohibited), and creates and maintains an environment that prevents SEA.	Policy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity	200017
Working toward strengthening investigation and protection responses to SEA allegations, IOM, along with OHCHR, will take a lead role in strengthening collective responses in this area, including by promoting the development and sharing of best practices on enforcing Code of Conduct breaches and on referring SEA cases that may arise to criminal misconduct to competent authorities; supporting efforts to operationalize the recommendations for preventing the re-recruitment of individuals disciplined for SEA, and to enforce PSEA contractual clauses with implementing partners; and contributing to efforts to ensure that the interagency response to SEA includes adequate protection and redress, including adequate assistance for survivors.	Operational	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity	200019



## 3A Reduce and address displacement

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Commitment Description	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility	Commitment ID
IOM commits to assisting communities forcibly displaced by conflicts to participate in conflict analysis and needs assessment, and support national governments to address root causes of conflict and forced displacement.	Operational	Leave No One Behind	200002
IOM commits to continue its work in response to natural disasters, to strengthen local response capacities, to manage risk and displacement, and endeavors to improve the approaches, frameworks and policies that guide and govern them. IOM will achieve these objectives by working in a coordinated manner with key global stakeholders to build and foster synergies on key cornerstones such as its Displacement Tracking Matrix, and create common platforms in order to understand, anticipate and trigger early action with regard to disaster-related displacement.	Operational	Leave No One Behind Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need	200003
IOM commits to continue its work to reduce vulnerabilities and foster the resilience of displaced populations, other migrants and affected communities by strengthening coping capacities and promoting self-reliance. This approach will be operationalized through a new IOM framework outlining efforts to progressively resolve displacement situations (PRDS).	Operational	Leave No One Behind	200004
IOM, within its capacity as a CCCM cluster lead agency, commits to reduce the vulnerability and foster the resilience of individuals suffering from displacement by achieving gender parity within camp governance structure.	Operational	Leave No One Behind	200018



## 3B Address the vulnerabilities of migrants and provide more regular and lawful opportunities for migration

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Commitment Description	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility	Commitment ID
IOM commits to strengthening understanding of migration and related resource transfers, including remittances, as a potential tool to support disaster preparedness and recovery, and to work with relevant actors to further disseminate and operationalize this understanding.	Policy	Leave No One Behind	200013
IOM commits to work to improve migrants inclusion in disaster preparedness, response and recovery efforts, by supporting the capacities and coordination of disaster risk management authorities, foreign services, migrant groups themselves and other relevant actors.	Operational	Leave No One Behind	200016

## 3D Empower and protect women and girls

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Commitment Description	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility	Commitment ID
IOM commits to increase its gender and protection mainstreaming by extending the capacity of its Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) system to be able to identify and monitor vulnerability indicators in relation to GBV.	Operational	Leave No One Behind	200009

## 4A Reinforce, do not replace, national and local systems

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Commitment Description	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility	Commitment ID
IOM commits to developing a set of policy and guidance frameworks governing the use of its cash based approach, from both a programmatic and technical standpoint.	Policy	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need	200006

IOM commits to engage in appropriate forms of advocacy and clear messaging on principles and effective humanitarian assistance at the global, regional, national and local levels with all relevant actors. IOM is accountable to the persons and the States concerned, and its partners within the humanitarian response system. IOM is committed to strengthening its accountability mechanisms and to keeping them under continuous review.	Advocacy	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need	200007
IOM commits to further support national and local governments design and implement planned relocation and evacuation processes for people living in at-risk and disaster affected areas, as well as for people displaced by disasters, that result in reduced exposure to future hazards and do not affect people's well-being and resilience.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need	200008

## **Anticipate, do not wait, for crises**

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IOM commits to reinforce its long term perspective to climate change by introducing environmental markers and streamlining environment considerations in its programming.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need	200012
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## **Deliver collective outcomes: transcend humanitarian-development divides**

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IOM commits to provide assistance on the basis of assessments of needs (through Displacement Tracking Matrix and other population needs assessments) that take into account the diversity of vulnerabilities and threats faced by the persons affected and it engages and negotiates with all relevant actors to ensure effective provision of humanitarian assistance and secure access to crisis-affected persons in line with a do-no-harm approach.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need	200011
IOM commits to supporting transition and recovery needs that support livelihoods, restoration of services and community engagement to improve participation, social cohesion and peace building through its stabilization programming and working across peace, development and security frameworks.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need	200014

# Core Commitments

## Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

### POLITICAL LEADERSHIP TO PREVENT AND END CONFLICTS

- Commit to act early upon potential conflict situations based on early warning findings and shared conflict analysis, in accordance with international law.
- Commit to improve prevention and peaceful resolution capacities at the national, regional and international level improving the ability to work on multiple crises simultaneously.
- Commit to sustain political leadership and engagement through all stages of a crisis to prevent the emergence or relapse into conflict.
- Commit to address root causes of conflict and work to reduce fragility by investing in the development of inclusive, peaceful societies.
- Commit to make successful conflict prevention visible by capturing, consolidating and sharing good practices and lessons learnt.

## Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

### UPHOLD THE NORMS THAT SAFEGUARD HUMANITY

- Commit to promote and enhance respect for international humanitarian law, international human rights law, and refugee law, where applicable.
- Commit to promote and enhance the protection of civilians and civilian objects, especially in the conduct of hostilities, for instance by working to prevent civilian harm resulting from the use of wide-area explosive weapons in populated areas, and by sparing civilian infrastructure from military use in the conduct of military operations.
- Commit to ensure all populations in need receive rapid and unimpeded humanitarian assistance.
- Commit to promote and enhance efforts to respect and protect medical personnel, transports and facilities, as well as humanitarian relief personnel and assets against attacks, threats or other violent acts.
- Commit to speak out and systematically condemn serious violations of international humanitarian law and serious violations and abuses of international human rights law and to take concrete steps to ensure accountability of perpetrators when these acts amount to crimes under international law.

### WOMEN AND GIRLS: CATALYZING ACTION TO ACHIEVE GENDER EQUALITY

- Implement a coordinated global approach to prevent and respond to gender-based violence in crisis contexts, including through the Call to Action on Protection from Gender-based Violence in Emergencies.
- Fully comply with humanitarian policies, frameworks and legally binding documents related to gender equality, women's empowerment, and women's rights.

## Leave No One Behind

### LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND - A COMMITMENT TO ADDRESS FORCED DISPLACEMENT



- ◻ Commit to a new approach to addressing forced displacement that not only meets immediate humanitarian needs but reduces vulnerability and improves the resilience, self-reliance and protection of refugees and IDPs. Commit to implementing this new approach through coherent international, regional and national efforts that recognize both the humanitarian and development challenges of displacement. Commit to take the necessary political, policy, legal and financial steps required to address these challenges for the specific context.
- ◻ Commit to promote and support safe, dignified and durable solutions for internally displaced persons and refugees. Commit to do so in a coherent and measurable manner through international, regional and national programs and by taking the necessary policy, legal and financial steps required for the specific contexts and in order to work towards a target of 50 percent reduction in internal displacement by 2030.
- ◻ Acknowledge the global public good provided by countries and communities which are hosting large numbers of refugees. Commit to providing communities with large numbers of displaced population or receiving large numbers of returnees with the necessary political, policy and financial, support to address the humanitarian and socio-economic impact. To this end, commit to strengthen multilateral financing instruments. Commit to foster host communities' self-reliance and resilience, as part of the comprehensive and integrated approach outlined in core commitment 1.
- ◻ Commit to collectively work towards a Global Compact on responsibility-sharing for refugees to safeguard the rights of refugees, while also effectively and predictably supporting States affected by such movements.
- ◻ Commit to actively work to uphold the institution of asylum and the principle of non-refoulement. Commit to support further accession to and strengthened implementation of national, regional and international laws and policy frameworks that ensure and improve the protection of refugees and IDPs, such as the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and the 1967 Protocol or the AU Convention for the Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons in Africa (Kampala convention) or the Guiding Principles on internal displacement.

#### **WOMEN AND GIRLS: CATALYZING ACTION TO ACHIEVE GENDER EQUALITY**

- ◻ Empower Women and Girls as change agents and leaders, including by increasing support for local women's groups to participate meaningfully in humanitarian action.
- ◻ Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights as agreed in accordance with the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the Beijing Platform for Action and the Outcome documents of their review conferences for all women and adolescent girls in crisis settings.
- ◻ Ensure that humanitarian programming is gender responsive.

### **Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need**

#### **CHANGING PEOPLE'S LIVES - FROM DELIVERING AID TO ENDING NEED**

- ◻ Commit to a new way of working that meets people's immediate humanitarian needs, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years through the achievement of collective outcomes. To achieve this, commit to the following: a) Anticipate, Do Not Wait: to invest in risk analysis and to incentivize early action in order to minimize the impact and frequency of known risks and hazards on people. b) Reinforce, Do Not Replace: to support and invest in local, national and regional leadership, capacity strengthening and response systems, avoiding duplicative international mechanisms wherever possible. c) Preserve and retain emergency capacity: to deliver predictable and flexible urgent and life-saving assistance and protection in accordance with humanitarian principles. d) Transcend Humanitarian-Development Divides: work together, toward collective outcomes that ensure humanitarian needs are met, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years and based on the comparative advantage of a diverse range of actors. The primacy of humanitarian principles will continue to underpin humanitarian action.

- Commit to enable coherent financing that avoids fragmentation by supporting collective outcomes over multiple years, supporting those with demonstrated comparative advantage to deliver in context.

#### **NATURAL DISASTERS AND CLIMATE CHANGE: MANAGING RISKS & CRISES DIFFERENTLY**

- Commit to accelerate the reduction of disaster and climate-related risks through the coherent implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, as well as other relevant strategies and programs of action, including the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway.
- Commit to reinforce national and local leadership and capacities in managing disaster and climate-related risks through strengthened preparedness and predictable response and recovery arrangements.
- Commit to improve the understanding, anticipation and preparedness for disaster and climate-related risks by investing in data, analysis and early warning, and developing evidence-based decision-making processes that result in early action.
- Commit to increase investment in building community resilience as a critical first line of response, with the full and effective participation of women.
- Commit to ensure regional and global humanitarian assistance for natural disasters complements national and local efforts.

#### **HUMANITARIAN FINANCING - INVESTING IN HUMANITY**

- Commit to increase substantially and diversify global support and share of resources for humanitarian assistance aimed to address the differentiated needs of populations affected by humanitarian crises in fragile situations and complex emergencies, including increasing cash-based programming in situations where relevant.
- Commit to empower national and local humanitarian action by increasing the share of financing accessible to local and national humanitarian actors and supporting the enhancement of their national delivery systems, capacities and preparedness planning.

### **Invest in Humanity**

#### **HUMANITARIAN FINANCING - INVESTING IN HUMANITY**

- Commit to promote and increase predictable, multi-year, unearmarked, collaborative and flexible humanitarian funding toward greater efficiency, effectiveness, transparency and accountability of humanitarian action for affected people.
- Commit to invest in risk management, preparedness and crisis prevention capacity to build the resilience of vulnerable and affected people.
- Commit to broaden and adapt the global instruments and approaches to meet urgent needs, reduce risk and vulnerability and increase resilience, without adverse impact on humanitarian principles and overall action (as also proposed in Round Table on "Changing Lives").