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### WHO HQ Migrant Health activities 2018-2019:

#### I Global level engagement

By basing its new Thirteen General Programme of Work, 2019-2023 (GPW13) on the SDGs, WHO has committed to leave no-one behind, at all levels of engagement, from the implementation of equity and rights-based approaches to health that enhances participation, builds resilience, and empowers communities. Migrant Health activities contribute

- < One billion more people benefiting from UHC,
- One billion more people better protected from health emergencies, and
- One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being.

The WHO Strategic Initiatives Cluster (WSI) has been established in Headquarters to bring together and nurture critical and priority initiatives, which are an integral part of the GPW13, from their inception through a transition phase, to stability across the three levels of WHO. The Migrant (MIG) Health Unit terms of reference are linked to the GPW13

IOM is hosting the Secretariat for the UN Network on Migration:

WHO continuities to advocate the UN network for Migration in Geneva and expresses the need to address health as well as to include WHO in the Executive Committee. We think not including health has been a major mistake that needs to be amended as the GCM makes explicit reference to the WHO framework, now to be updated with the incoming GAP.

The United Nations system is committed to supporting the implementation, follow-up and review of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM). To this end, the United Nations establishes a Network on Migration to ensure effective, timely and coordinated system-wide support to Member States. In carrying out its mandate, the Network will prioritize the rights and wellbeing of migrants and their communities of destination, origin and through which they transit. It will place emphasis on those issues where a common UN system approach would add value and from which results and impact can be readily gauged.

In all its actions the Network will respect the principles of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration and be guided, inter alia, by the United Nations Charter, international law, and the Agenda 2030 for sustainable development.

# Participation with UNHCR:

11th Annual Dialogue on Protection and Challenges: The role and cities and municipalities

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# Regional: Participation in the School on Refugee and Migrant Health

(http://www.euro.who.int/en/media-centre/events/events/2018/09/summer-school-on-refugee-and-migrant-health)

## **Regional focal point meetings:**

The 2nd Global Meeting for WHO Refugee and Migrant Health Focal Persons Meeting 2018 hosted by EMRO Regional Office.

## At country level: Collaborations with IOM, Global Fund, talks with GAVI.

Strengthen service delivery in States and settings characterized by extreme fragility, vulnerability or the existence of large-scale conflict where migrants reside and no services are provide to them by the MS. WHO HQ is preparing cross border activities to align MS and WRs in providing coherent assistance and delivery of essential services (eg, implementing guidelines and providing treatment for TB and HIV across countries boundaries).

The following are the priority countries where cross border assessment will be carried out staring tin February 2019:

Sudan, Chad, Niger, Ethiopia, Eritrea, S. Sudan and Somalia, with preparations to Tanzania and Uganda.

**Country assessments preparations:** The Migrant Health Unit will undertake a mission to Sudan form 20 to 26 February to assess the public health functions and health needs assessment of returnees, migrants, host populations and displaced population in Sudan. In collaboration with the Sudanese Government, the WHO Country Office and the WHO Regional office (EMRO), the scope and objectives of the mission are to:

- Conduct a public health functions and health needs assessment of migrants/host communities, returnees and displaced populations.
- Develop preliminary considerations in line with the assessment findings for program development and resource mobilization to ensure an integrated, quality, coordinated and equal access to public health services by displaced populations, returnees, migrants and host communities.

- < Develop a framework strategy to fulfill Sudan commitment to provide equitable quality health care to migrants/host communities, returnees and displaced populations.
- Provide a reflection of funding gaps in responding to health needs of refugees, migrants, host communities and IDPs.
- Assess the financial gaps requested to finance the sustainable health care services to migrants/host communities and displaced people to propose financial options possible to ensure their proper access to health care services.

#### Panel: Contributing to move forward the multisectoral dialogue:

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