

# Communicating Migration Data and Statistics

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## Work Session on Migration Statistics

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## OUTLINE

- **Communicating data effectively growing priority for the UN system and IOM.**
- **GMDAC – 5 examples of our efforts to enhance the communication of migration data**



## Global Migration Data Portal



Berlin, July 12, 2016

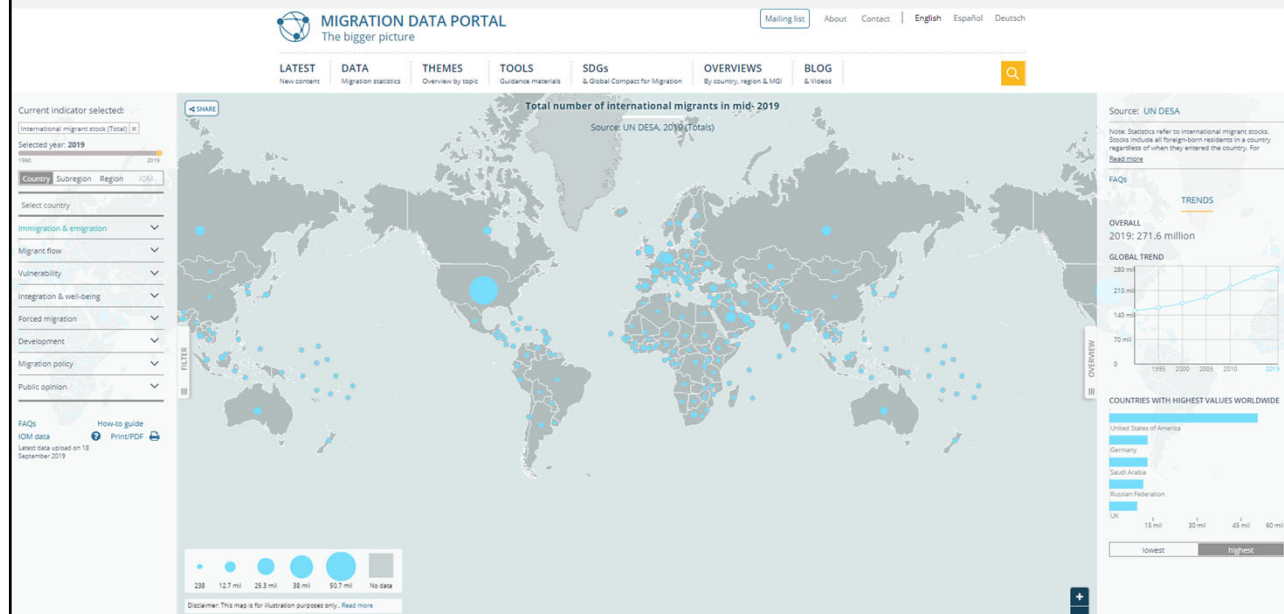
- Challenge: Migration data are scattered between various institutions and countries
- Proposed on 12 July 2016 by then German Foreign Minister Steinmeier and IOM's former DG Swing
- Launched on 15 December 2017
- Mentioned in the final text of the Global Compact for Migration as a repository for data



## Our achievements to date



# Global Migration Data Portal: Data & Migration Statistics

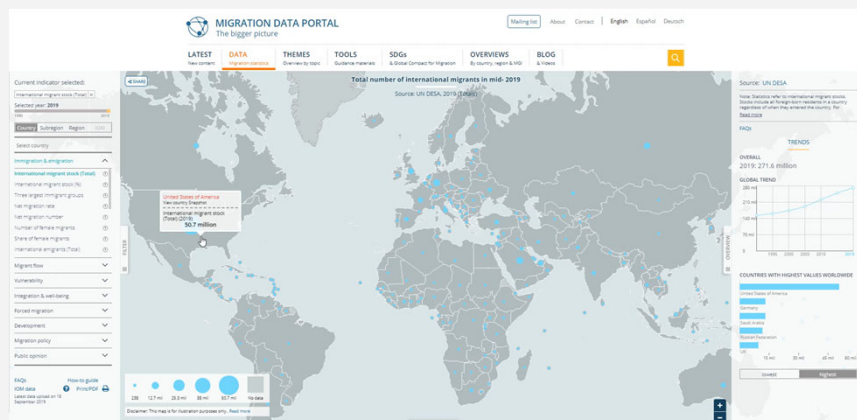


## Global Migration Data Portal

[www.migrationdataportal.org](http://www.migrationdataportal.org)

### CONTENT

1. Themes: Overviews by topic
2. Tools: Guidance Materials
3. SDGs & Global Compact for Migration
4. Overviews by country, region and Migration Governance Indicators
5. Blog & videos



## IIP V

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- 240 speakers and over 350 participants from **90 countries**
- Representation from
  - national statistical offices,
  - international organizations,
  - non-governmental organizations
  - academic institutions
- **Wide range of disciplines represented** – attendees included
  - statisticians,
  - economists,
  - demographers,
  - sociologists,
  - geospatial scientists,
  - information technologists



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The Forum will promote:

- A **global dialogue** on migration data
- **Sharing** of innovative data practices
- Networking between **wide variety of actors**

Long-term goals:

- Building and strengthening **migration data capacities** around the world
- Promote global migration data **community of practice**
- Improve **evidence-based** policymaking & public discourse



## Second International Forum on Migration Statistics (IFMS)

- A unique, global platform devoted to improving data on migration
- Jointly organized by IOM, OECD and UN DESA
- Offers space for dialogue for a broad range of actors
- Focus on data capacity building

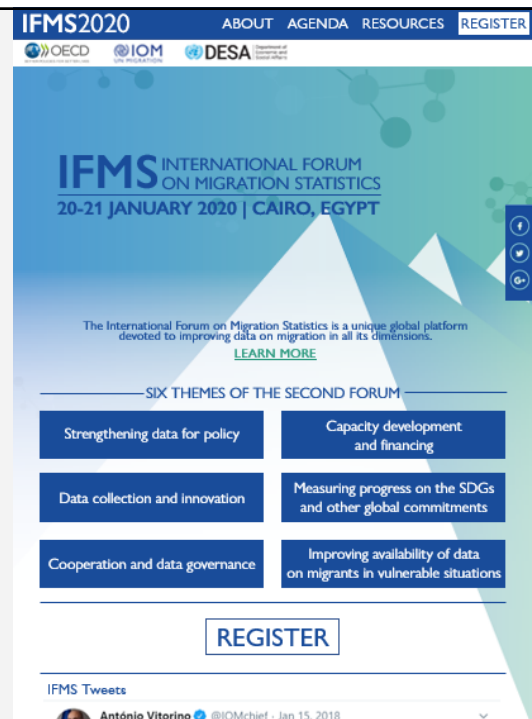
### Six themes will be covered:

1. Strengthening data for policy
2. Data collection and innovation
3. Cooperation and data governance
4. Capacity development and financing
5. Measuring progress on the SDGs and other global commitments
6. Improving the availability of data on migrants in vulnerable situation



IFMS2020

A dedicated website will be launched in the coming weeks to provide **logistical & thematic information** on the 2020 Forum.



**MIGRATION DATA PORTAL**  
The bigger picture

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### LATEST FROM OUR BLOG & VIDEOS

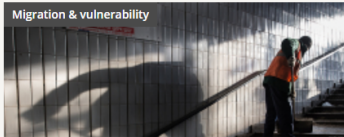
Welcome to our Blog. This series of articles and video interviews - our "Talking Migration Data" series - features migration and data experts explaining key migration data trends and issues from around the globe.

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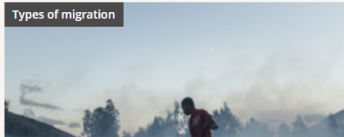
**Migration & vulnerability**



Can data help improve migrant domestic workers' lives?

Elisa Mosler Vidal | 3 Sep 2019

**Types of migration**



Let's talk about climate migrants, not climate refugees

Dina Ionesco | 26 Jun 2019

# IFMS2020#earj

- **Migration data experts** will author short blog posts on the six conference themes
- Hosted on IOM's Migration Data Portal, at least seven IFMS posts will be published

Send your submission ideas to [IFMS2020@iom.int](mailto:IFMS2020@iom.int)



**GMDAC**  
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Data Analysis Centre

## Missing Migrants Project

- Only **global database** on migrant deaths and disappearances
- Compile **data** on age, gender, origin, location, and cause of death of migrants
- Provides **analysis** in data briefings and annual reports
- Open access dataset at **website:** [missingmigrants.iom.int](https://missingmigrants.iom.int)





## Trainings on Migration Data for journalists

- Training provided to 30 experienced journalists from Africa and Europe who work on migration issues
- Training included presentations on migration data sources, definition, data needs for global processes and tools to support media reporting

**Over 30 migration data training workshops organized by GMDAC during the last 3 years for 60 countries.**

*In response:*

- ➔ Possible integration of migration data workshops for the press as part of ongoing training organized by IOM in North and West Africa



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