Mapping of preparatory regional events for the global compact on migration

Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)

Knowledge products
- Six thematic background papers aligned to each of the six themes of the global compact process to be prepared by August 2017:
  i. **Human rights**: Human rights of all migrants, social inclusion, cohesion and all forms of discrimination, including racism, xenophobia and intolerance
  ii. **drivers of migration**: Addressing drivers of migration, including adverse effects of climate change, natural disasters and human-made crises, through protection and assistance, sustainable development, poverty eradication, conflict prevention and resolution
  iii. **migration governance** – International cooperation and governance of migration in all its dimensions, including at borders, on transit, entry, return, readmission, integration and reintegration
  iv. **Diasporas**: Contributions of migrants and diasporas to all dimensions of sustainable development, including remittances and portability of earned benefits
  v. **Human Trafficking**: Smuggling of migrants, trafficking in persons and contemporary forms of slavery, including appropriate identification, protection and assistance to migrants and trafficking victims
  vi. **Irregular migration** – Irregular migration and regular pathways, including decent work, labour mobility, recognition of skills and qualifications and other relevant measures
- Consolidated report on migration in Africa (October 2017)

Regional consultations
- **Addis Ababa (14-15 September 2017)**: Expert Group Meeting, comprising experts from all sub-regions, to discuss the consolidated regional report
- **Addis Ababa (18-20 October 2017)**: ECA will support the organization of a Special Technical Committee (STC) Meeting-cum-Regional Conference of the AU to discuss the Regional Report and possible outcome document
- **Addis Ababa (November 2017 TBC)**: The African Development Forum X on Migration (ADF X)

Other national processes, mechanisms and initiatives
- 3rd Pan-African Forum on Migration organized by IOM (15-17 May 2017, Kampala)
- Launch of High-Level Panel on International Migration in Africa (6 June 2017, Monrovia)

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)

Knowledge products
- Three background papers – one per sub-region – to be prepared by August 2017:
  i. Migratory situation and priorities for action in South American countries
  ii. Migratory situation and priorities for action in Central America and Mexico
  iii. Migratory situation and priorities for action in the Caribbean

Regional consultations
- **Santiago (30-31 August 2017)**: Latin American regional preparatory meeting for the global compact on safe, orderly and regular migration
Other national processes, mechanisms and initiatives
- National meetings of governments, civil society and experts, supported by the International Organization for Migration (IOM)
- México DF (September 2017): International Regional Labour Conference, organized by the International Labour Office (ILO)
- Santiago (September 2017): Jornadas migratorias de Chile, organized by Instituto Católico Chileno de Migración (INCAMI)

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)

Knowledge products
- Three thematic background papers to be prepared by August 2017:
  i. Background paper: labour migration
  ii. Background paper: irregular and mixed migration
  iii. Background paper: climate change and migration

Regional consultations
- Moscow (19-20 April 2017): Expert Group Meeting on enhancing economic and social benefits of international migration in North and Central Asia
- Bangkok (6-8 November 2017): Asia-Pacific regional preparatory meeting for the global compact on safe, orderly and regular migration

Other national processes, mechanisms and initiatives
- National meetings of governments, civil society and experts, supported by the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and UN-Women

Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

Knowledge products
- Launch of 2017 Situation Report on International Migration in the Arab Region focused on achieving migration-related SDGs in the Arab region (August 2017)

Regional consultations
- Beirut (26-27 September 2017): Arab regional preparatory meeting for the global compact on safe, orderly and regular migration

Other national processes, mechanisms and initiatives
- ILO regional consultation on labour migration (17-18 September 2017, Beirut)

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1 Discussions among UNECE member states are still ongoing regarding consultations in the region.