

**INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION (IOM)**  
**105th SESSION OF COUNCIL**  
**HIGH LEVEL PANEL “Human Mobility, Environment and Climate”**  
**(26 November 2014 – Geneva, Switzerland)**

**IOM’s engagement on Migration, Environment and Climate Change (MECC)**

IOM’s work on Migration, Environment and Climate Change (MECC) has greatly expanded in the past five years, both in terms of the number of activities and as regards IOM’s engagement in external policy processes.

Environmental and climatic factors are increasingly more visible and integrated in IOM’s activities at all levels: policy, research, international migration law, operations, advocacy, communication and capacity building.

**IOM’s Member States continuous support to MECC**

IOM’s membership has selected MECC as an area for policy dialogue on several occasions, notably during the International Dialogue on Migration (IDM) in 2011 and the Standing Committee for Programme and Finances (SCPF) in June 2014.

The High Level Panel on MECC organized on 26 November 2014, within the framework of the 105<sup>th</sup> IOM Council (25 to 28 November 2014) represents a critical landmark in the continuation of the dialogue between IOM and its Member States.

**High Level Panel on MECC – Asserting IOM’s role in mainstreaming migration in the context of Post-2015**

The High Level Panel on MECC aims to contribute to a number of policy processes important to the international governance of migration that are taking place in 2015, notably the 2015 negotiations in Paris under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD), the second Hyogo Framework for Action on Disaster Risk Reduction (HFA2), the post 2015 development framework and the conclusion of the Nansen Initiative.



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The Panel will also take stock of the results of the September 2014 Secretary General Climate Summit and will prepare for the 2014 climate negotiations organized in Peru in November 2014.

IOM remains committed to continue its work on environmental migration and to support its member states to find adequate solutions to this matter of growing importance.

**Panelists**

High-level participants from governments and agencies from the migration, environment, climate and land policy areas will contribute to the Panel.

**Time and Venue**

26 November 2014: 15h – 17h  
Room: Conference Room XVII - Palais des Nations  
Geneva, Switzerland

**Working Language**

English, French and Spanish (interpretation provided)



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