



International Organization for Migration

Messages to the 28th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties

IOM is working to save lives, deliver solutions, and facilitate regular pathways in line with the 2023 IPCC 6th Assessment Report: “increasing adaptive capacity minimizes risk associated with involuntary migration and immobility and improves the degree of choice under which migration decisions are made”

IOM delivers solutions for human mobility and climate change holistically, ensuring integrated responses while proposing innovative and sustainable solutions for national, regional, and international policies and programs. Our goal is deliver people-centered, actionable solutions with impacted populations. In UNFCCC deliberations, IOM engages with Member States and relevant stakeholders to bring solutions to discussions related to human mobility and ensure regular, safe, dignified solutions and pathways for people at the frontlines of climate change. These efforts are in line with the implementation of the Paris Agreement, the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Ahead of COP28, IOM reaffirms our commitment to deliver solutions, and urges on all UNFCCC parties to:

- ◆ Scale up climate change adaptation to enable empowered and informed decisions on human mobility by individuals, communities, and governments.
 - Strengthen people’s resilience through prevention and risk reduction action, including preparedness and early warning measures, that enhance climate resilient development and offer people the choice to stay in dignity and safety in their areas of origin. These efforts should be financed and implemented by a diverse range of actors, including the private sector.
 - Facilitate people’s movement out of harm’s way when faced with irreversible climate impacts, either through safe and regular migration or, as a last resort, planned relocation. Safe and regular migration pathways, including labor mobility, should be facilitated to offer opportunities to communities of origin and destination, harvest the potential of migration for the benefit of all.
- ◆ Strengthen solidarity with countries and people most vulnerable to climate change impacts, including people already on the move, by significantly scaling up adequate, predictable, debt-free climate finance, including the new funding arrangements, and loss and damage fund. Efforts should address human mobility and the impacts of **both sudden-onset events and slow-onset events and processes**, and strengthen integrated approaches to **anticipatory action**, humanitarian assistance, and climate resilient development.

- ◆ Accelerate the just transition to achieve robust and equitable mitigation outcomes as a key step to avert the adverse impacts of climate change on human mobility. Efforts should focus on investing in solutions towards economic diversification and the creation of decent work, including in the green and blue sectors, with focus on youth employment, displaced and migrant workers.
- ◆ Enhance the inclusive mobilization of the whole of society, bringing together public actors and private partners, civil society, women, youth, indigenous peoples, migrants, displaced persons and affected communities as part of decision-making processes related to climate change and human mobility. This action should promote integrated human rights, child-sensitive and gender-responsive approaches to migration governance and climate change action.