



“Closing data gaps on children on the move: a shared responsibility”

**A High-Level Panel Dialogue
organized by the
International Data Alliance for Children on the Move (IDAC)
15 November 2021, 08:00-09:30 EST**

**To be followed by Spotlight on IDAC (30 min)
from 09:30-10:00 EST**

08:00 – 08:10 Welcome
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Philippe Cori, Deputy Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia, UNICEF• Ms. Christine Wirtz, Director for Social Statistics, Eurostat
08:10 – 08:20 Opening statements
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Muzoon Almellehan, UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador since 2017• Sir Ian Diamond, Chief Statistician, United Kingdom
08:20 – 08:35 Launch of IDAC Data InSIGHT publication and IDAC work outlook
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Mark Hereward, Associate Director, Division of Data, Analytics, Planning and Monitoring (DAPM), UNICEF
08:35 – 09:20 AM Moderated panel discussion
<p>Urgent Need and Call for Concerted Global Action, Investments and Partnerships to Strengthen Data and Statistics on Children on the Move</p> <p>Moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Jean-Christophe Dumont, Director, International Migration Division, OECD <p>Panellists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Felipe González Morales, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants• Ms. Cecilia Jimenez-Damary, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons• Mr. Juan Daniel Oviedo Arango, Director General, Departamento Administrativo Nacional de Estadística (DANE), Colombia

- Ms. Leila Ben Ali, Head of Statistics Division, African Union Commission

Guiding questions

- ✓ What do available data and statistics tell us about children on the move – and how do data gaps and hurdles exacerbate these children’s vulnerabilities?
- ✓ What are the repercussions in terms of achieving the SDGs, the Global Compact for Migration and the Global Compact on Refugees if we do not address these gaps?
- ✓ Why are investments in data for programming and policymaking worthwhile? How do poor data systems impact local, national and global communities and hinder resource allocation?
- ✓ Which investments are critically needed? Who are the critical actors in improving data and statistical systems that can protect and empower children on the move?

09:20 – 09:30 Closing remarks

- Ms. Amanda Louise Melville, Senior Advisor on Child Protection, UNHCR
- Dr. Frank Laczko, Director, Global Migration Data Analysis Centre (GMDAC), IOM

09:30 – 10:00 SPOTLIGHT on IDAC: Data partnership in action

This 30-minute session offers an opportunity for interested stakeholders to learn more about the International Data Alliance for Children on the Move (IDAC) and to meet some of its members. The brief session will speak to the following points:

- ✓ How do the IDAC mission and objectives align with the SDGs, as well as the objectives of the Global Compact for Migration and the Global Compact on Refugees?
- ✓ Who are IDAC’s members and how to connect with them?
- ✓ What will IDAC be working on over the next few years, and how to contribute to this work?
- ✓ How can IDAC’s collective resources and network be used to deliver timely and relevant public goods and services, as well as innovative approaches concerning child-specific data work?

Moderator: Estrella Lajom, IDAC Coordinator

IDAC Members/Resource Speakers:

- Diego Iturralde, Chief Director, Demography and Population, Statistics South Africa
- Petra Nahmias, Chief of the Population and Social Statistics Section, UNESCAP