

Migration and Rural Development: *Sharing Experiences and Fostering Partnerships*

26th March 2018, 13:15 – 14:30

Conference Room 7, UN Headquarters, New York

On the margins of IOM's 2018 International Dialogue on Migration (IDM), the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD) 2017-2018 Co-Chairs, Germany and Morocco, and the Global Migration Group (GMG) Co-Chairs, IOM and FAO, will co-organize a side event to highlight the complex relationship between migration, agriculture and rural development, and discuss best practices in harnessing the development potential of rural migration.

The objectives of the side event are to:

- Facilitate and contribute to a better understanding of the nexus between migration, agriculture and rural development and climate change
- Identify areas for joint programming and international partnerships
- Share successful experiences and practical tools to prevent forced migration through agriculture and rural development in the context of climate change.

Tentative Programme

13:15 – 13:25	Opening Remarks <i>GFMD Moroccan Co-Chair, Mr. El Habib Nadir IOM Director General, Amb. William Lacy Swing</i>
13:25 – 14:10	Panel discussion
14:10 – 14:25	Q and A
14:30	Closing remarks <i>GFMD German Co-Chair</i>

