**10 Commitments – extract from statement GFMD Civil Society Chair Roula Hamati at the Closing of the GFMD – Friday 7th of December.**

1. We, civil society, commit to continue to defend the human rights of migrants, to interpret and implement the compact in accordance with human rights principles and to work to ensure that migrants are at the heart of all policies that affect them.
2. We commit to raise awareness of the GCM, to collect and use facts and data to change the negative narratives on migration, to highlight the contributions of migrants at all levels and to foster social inclusion at the local and national level. As we develop national actions plans those will include inclusion and non-discrimination.
3. We commit to continue to fight to ensure that all migrant workers, women and men, regardless of status, are guaranteed their core labor rights including the freedom of association and collective bargaining and to ensure that those rights are respected and protected at all stages of migration.
4. We commit to mobilize, advocate, and lobby governments to bridge the gap between regular and irregular migrants at the local and national levels. We also commit to provide services to all migrants regardless of status and with a special attention to the most vulnerable migrants.
5. We commit to continue to view migration from the larger lens of human mobility and to work at the national level to ensure the joint implementation of the Global Compact on Migration and the Global Compact on Refugees to reduce gaps and to ensure that people do not fall through the cracks of rigid definitions. In this regards, more initiatives like the child rights initiatives are needed to bridge the two compacts.
6. We commit to continue to push for a stronger climate displacement agenda in the GCM and in other spaces such as the GFMD so that the unique risks facing climate vulnerable communities are recognized and addressed in a short time frame.
7. We commit to continue to work to ensure that the principle of the best interest of the child as the primary consideration in all matters concerning migrant children is always respected. No child should be detained for immigration purposes, or separated from their family.
8. We commit to recognize and support the role of women as leaders in communities, families and economies whether as primary migrants or as the ‘left behind’ when family members migrate for work
9. We commit to be critical, yet to engage in the spirit of dialogue and partnership with member states, UN agencies and other stakeholders implementing the GCM.
10. We commit to monitor and keep governments to account on all of their commitments. We will take initiatives to create monitoring systems to track progress at the different levels, connecting the national, regional and global and to create multi-year civil society action plans for implementation.