Dear colleagues,

I have the pleasure of inviting you to take part in a consultation of the United Nations Network on Migration with civil society on 4 April 2019 from 09:30 to 17:30 at the International Conference Centre Geneva (CICG) in Geneva, Switzerland.

The Network seeks to ensure effective, timely and coherent action by the UN system at country, regional and global levels in support of implementation of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration by Member States, where such action would add value, while ensuring well-defined linkages with UN structures at all levels. The Network consists of 38 members of the UN system, 8 of whom comprise the Executive Committee of the Network (DESA, IOM, ILO, OHCHR, UNDP, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNODC). IOM serves as Coordinator and secretariat, both housed at its headquarters in Geneva.

The meeting will discuss the workplan and priorities of the Network; the start-up fund called for in the Global Compact; and avenues for meaningful and sustained civil society engagement in the work of the Network. To these ends, please find attached the terms of reference for the Network and a brief, draft overview of the fund. A more detailed agenda as well as practical details will be communicated closer to the date.

I do hope that you will be available to attend and kindly request that you please confirm your participation at your earliest convenience before 21 March 2019 by e-mail to the Secretariat of the Network (unmignet@iom.int). We ask that not more than two representatives per organization register their attendance to ensure that we have the broadest possible range of voices around the table.

Yours sincerely,

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