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A Call to Local Action for Migrants and Refugees

Action submission form

July 2023

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| **NOTE:**  All actions need to be submitted through the [online form](http://localaction.mayorsmechanism.org/). The online form can be saved and completed later; however, it is advised to use this Word template to prepare the required information in advance.  Once ready, [create an account](http://localaction.mayorsmechanism.org/) or [log in](http://localaction.mayorsmechanism.org/) and access the online form.  For further questions, consult our **Frequently Asked Questions** or email [cta@mayorsmechanism.org](mailto:cta@mayorsmechanism.org). |



Introduction

**Background**

Thank you for your interest in joining the [Call to Local Action for Migrants and Refugees](http://localaction.mayorsmechanism.org/) (CTA)!

Local and regional governments (LRGs) are leading the way in welcoming and supporting migrants and refugees. The CTA captures this political commitment and vast practical experience of LRGs. By joining, LRGs get visibility to and recognition from international audiences and gain access to knowledge and capacity development activities.

The CTA is framed around the [Marrakesh Mayors Declaration](http://localaction.mayorsmechanism.org/marrakech-mayors-declaration), which demonstrates the commitment of LRGs to localise the Global Compact on Refugees (GCR) and Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM) together, as concrete pathways to achieve the [Sustainable Development Goals](https://sdgs.un.org/goals) (SDGs).

It is co-steered by the [Mayors Mechanism](https://www.mayorsmechanism.org/) steering committee members, [United Cities and Local Governments](http://www.uclg.org/) (UCLG), the [Mayors Migration Council](http://www.mayorsmigrationcouncil.org/) (MMC) and the [UN Migration Agency](http://www.iom.int/) (IOM) — in partnership with the [UN Refugee Agency](http://www.unhcr.org/) (UNHCR) and with broader support from other city partners, including ANVITA, Cities Alliance, C40, Eurocities, FAMSI, ICMPD and Welcoming America.

Concretely, it aims to:

1. **Expand** the number of LRGs publicly endorsing the GCM and GCR through the Marrakech Mayors Declaration.
2. **Collect and showcase** bold, people-cantered local actions that achieve or exceed the GCM and GCR to facilitate cross-fertilization, peer learning and replication.
3. **Create a cohort** of publicly recognized LRG leaders engaged in robust GCM and GCR implementation to motivate scaling, investment and new local-national-global partnerships.

The CTA was launched in May 2022 at the International Migration Review Forum where 44 LRGs and 4 LRG partnerships joined this effort, together mobilising 70 actions and pledges.

**Plans for 2023:**

This year, we plan to announce a new cohort of LRG pledges during the [UN Global Refugee Forum](https://www.unhcr.org/en-us/global-refugee-forum.html) in December 2023 and the [Global Forum for Migration and Development](https://www.gfmd.org/) (GFMD) in January 2024.

* If you would like to elevate your leadership ahead of the Global Refugee Forum, please join this effort.
* If you already joined the Call to Local Action in 2022, thank you for this! You are more than welcome to submit new and additional actions.
* For highest impact, we specifically welcome actions that are:
  + Either ongoing or will be implemented in the future.
  + Target both migrants and refugees.

Form - Section 1: General information.

1. Type of government / partnership you represent:

☐ Local government

☐ Regional government

☐ Partnership of local or regional governments, e.g., city networks, national association of municipalities, city partnership with UN Agencies, etc.

☐ Other:

1. If you are a local or regional government: Did your mayor or equivalent endorse the [Marrakech Mayors Declaration?](http://localaction.mayorsmechanism.org/marrakech-mayors-declaration)

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ I don’t know

1. If you are a partnership of local or regional governments: Do you commit to disseminate information about the Call to Local Action for Migrants and Refugees within your network and agree to have your logo added on Call to Local Action branding materials as a supporting partner?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ I don’t know

1. Do you have explicit authorisation as an appointed technical staff by your mayor or equivalent to submit your action to this Call for Local Action?

☐ Yes

☐ Not yet

1. Full name of the appointed technical staff responsible for this submission:
2. Contact email address:
3. Name of your government / organisation:
4. Name of your Mayor or equivalent:
5. Country:
6. Have you been invited by your national government to contribute to discussions about national implementation and review of the [Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration](https://www.iom.int/global-compact-migration) (GCM) and/or the [Global Compact for Refugees](https://www.unhcr.org/en-us/the-global-compact-on-refugees.html) (GCR)?

☐ Yes, please elaborate:

☐ No, please elaborate:

☐ I don’t know

1. Have you been invited by an intergovernmental organisation (e.g., EU, AU, Mercosur, etc.) to contribute to discussions about regional implementation and review of the GCM and/or the GCR?

☐ Yes, please elaborate:

☐ No, please elaborate:

☐ I don’t know

1. Have you been invited by your national government to contribute to discussions about national implementation and review of the [2030 Agenda](https://sdgs.un.org/goals)?

☐ Yes, please elaborate:

☐ No, please elaborate:

☐ I don’t know

1. Have you submitted or are you planning to prepare a Voluntary Local/Subnational Review of Agenda2030?

☐ Yes, please elaborate:

☐ No, please elaborate:

☐ I don’t know

1. Are you interested in showcasing your action(s) at the [Global Forum on Migration and Development](http://www.gfmd.org) in January 2024?

☐ Yes

☐ No

1. Are you interested in showcasing your action(s) at the [Global Refugee Forum](https://globalcompactrefugees.org/article/global-refugee-forum) in December 2023?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Form - Section 2: Submit your Action.

1. Name of the action (120 characters max.)
2. Type of action

☐ Project / programme

☐ Policy

☐ Campaign

☐ Research Study

☐ Training Material

☐ Advocacy

1. Brief description, including principal objectives (max 200 words).

*(Please note that we will use this description as the blurb to be published in an Annual* [*Localisation Report*](http://localaction.mayorsmechanism.org/sites/default/files/2022-12/Mayor%20Mechanism_English.pdf) *to be presented to the United Nations, as well as on our Call to Action* [*website*](http://localaction.mayorsmechanism.org/actions-overview)*).*

1. Website – if applicable:
2. Start and end of implementation:

Start (if a future action, enter estimated start date):

End (if ongoing, leave blank or estimated end date):

1. Please tell us who are the beneficiaries of your action – please tick all that apply:

☐ Migrants

☐ Refugees

☐ Internally Displaced People (IDPs)

☐ Stateless Persons

☐ All of the above

☐ Other:

1. Is your action implemented in partnership with others?

☐ Yes

☐ No

1. If yes, please tell us what type of partners and the names of their organisations – if applicable:

☐ National governments: Name:

☐ Migrant, stateless persons, IDP or refugee-led organisations: Name:

☐ Host communities: Name:

☐ Diaspora organisations: Name:

☐ Private sector: Name:

☐ International organisation: Name:

☐ Civil society organisations: Name:

☐ Local or regional government administration: Name:

☐ Local or regional government network: Name:

☐ Academics and researchers: Name:

☐ Parliament: Name:

☐ Sports organisation: Name:

☐ Other:

1. What is the expected/achieved impact of your action (max 300 words)?
2. (Not applicable for future actions) What are the key positive and negative lessons learned from your action so far (max 300 words)?
3. In the [Marrakech Mayors Declaration](http://localaction.mayorsmechanism.org/marrakech-mayors-declaration), local and regional governments commit to advance several thematic priority objectives. Please indicate below up to three priorities your action contributes to:

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| ☐ | Improve migration governance and forced displacement protection |  |  | Minimising the drivers of forced displacement, including climate change and environmental drivers | ☐ |
| ☐ | Protecting those most vulnerable |  |  | Providing access to urban infrastructure, social services, and education regardless of status | ☐ |
| ☐ | Realising socio-economic inclusion |  |  | Eliminating all forms of discrimination and promoting evidence-based public discourse | ☐ |
| ☐ | Supporting reception and advancing community sponsorship initiatives |  |  | Engaging in regional and multilateral partnerships and increasing city-to-city cooperation | ☐ |

1. In order to bolster visibility of your action, please send us the following:

* A picture of the project to accompany your submission on the website.
* A picture of your Mayor or equivalent.
* A quote of your Mayor or equivalent (max 2 sentences) to accompany your submission on the website.
* Social media handles you would like us to use when communicating about the action.

Form - Section 3: Optional information

1. How did you hear about the Call to Local Action?
2. What outcomes would you like to see because of your participation in the Call to Local Action?
3. As we design our future peer learning activities, which of these specific topics would you like to learn more about?

☐ Improving local migration governance and forced displacement protection

☐ Minimising the drivers of forced displacement, including climate change and environmental drivers

☐ Protecting those most vulnerable

☐ Providing access to urban infrastructure and social services, regardless of status

☐ Realising socio-economic inclusion

☐ Eliminating all forms of discrimination and promote evidence-based public discourse

☐ Supporting reception and advancing community sponsorship initiatives

☐ Engaging in regional and multilateral partnerships and increase city-to-city cooperation

☐ Other

1. Are you interested to participate in the UN Migration Agency’s [Local Migration Governance Indicators Process](https://www.migrationdataportal.org/overviews/mgi/local-mgi#local-coverage), a tool that offers an opportunity to have an introspective look at the policies, programmes and structures your local government has in place to manage migration?

☐ Yes

☐ No

1. Does your initiative contribute to advancing the 2030 Agenda? If yes, please also specify which of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals and related targets it addresses.

☐ Yes, please elaborate:

☐ No, please elaborate:

1. Size of the population served by your local or regional government / partnership?
2. What is the funding, financial and in-kind, dedicated to the action?

☐ Less than 100.000 USD

☐ Between 100.000 USD and 500.000 USD

☐ Between 500.000 USD - 1 million USD

☐ More than 1 million USD

☐ This action requires additional funding