



Conferencia Regional sobre Migración  
Regional Conference on Migration



## II PLENARY MEETING BETWEEN THE REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON MIGRATION (RCM) AND THE SOUTH AMERICAN CONFERENCE ON MIGRATION (SACM)

September 9-10, 2021

**“Seeking joint actions for better migration governance”**

**Virtual meeting, with simultaneous interpretation Spanish – English**

### **Objectives of the RCM-SACM Joint Meeting:**

- ✓ To promote increased collaboration between countries from both regional processes to address hemispheric challenges related to migration governance, including irregular and extra-regional migration.
- ✓ To identify specific issues requiring attention in order to deter irregular migration and promote regular migration, and to identify concrete next steps to address these issues.

### **Dialogue Methodology:**

- ✓ Discussions on each topic of the agenda will be framed by a lead panelist country responsible for that item. The lead panelist country will present the topic and then propose triggering questions to open the debate among countries. These questions should be informed in advance by the leading country, so that they can be incorporated into a single concept note to be distributed prior to the event. The roles will be equally divided among the countries from the RCM and the SACM, each organization leading three sessions.

### **Schedules:**

All times in this agenda are shown in Central American time (GMT-6).  
Therefore, the meeting start time for both days is as follows:

09:00 am Central America

10:00 am Mexico City, Panama City & Lima

11:00 am Washington DC, Ottawa, Santo Domingo, Santiago & Caracas

12:00 pm Buenos Aires



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## Agenda

### DAY ONE: September 9, 2021

Schedule (GMT-6)	Activity
9:00 – 9:30	<b>Opening session</b>  Welcome remarks by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Alejandro Encinas Rodríguez, Undersecretary of Human Rights, Population and Migration, Ministry of the Interior of Mexico and President Pro-Témpore of the Regional Conference on Migration (RCM)</li><li>• Maximiliano Reyes Undersecretary of Foreign Affairs, Mexico</li><li>• Ambassador Pablo Anselmo Tettamanti, Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship, Argentina and Presidency Pro-Témpore of the SACM</li><li>• Florencia Carignano – National Director of Migrations, Argentina</li><li>• Marian Campbell Jarvis, Assistant Deputy Minister, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada</li></ul>
9:30 – 9:50	<b>Migration trends in the Americas</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Presentation from the IOM: diagnostic of migration trends in the region</li></ul>
<b>SESSION 1. Irregular migration from within the hemisphere and extra continental</b>	
9:50 – 10:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussion on regional and extra continental irregular migration trends and challenges</li><li>• Measures adopted by countries to address mass movements and prevent flows</li><li>• Identifying joint actions and information exchange on irregular migration from within the hemisphere and extra continental</li></ul> Lead panelist countries: <b>Panama and Costa Rica</b>
10:50 – 11:10	Break
<b>SESSION 2. Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling</b>	
11:10 – 12:10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussion on human trafficking and smuggling trends</li></ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Good practices on border management including information exchange and travel document integrity verification</li><li>• Good practices for prevention and early detection at the border</li><li>• Good multilevel interagency coordination practices</li></ul> <p>Lead panelist countries: <b>Chile and Venezuela</b></p>
<b>SESSION 3. <i>Integration of Migrants and Countering Xenophobia</i></b>	
<b>12:10 – 13:15</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Labor and social challenges for migrants' inclusion</li><li>• Gender and migration</li><li>• Exchanging experiences on migration narratives and counter-xenophobia</li></ul> <p>Lead panelist country: <b>Peru</b></p>
<b>13:15</b>	End of Day One
<b>DAY TWO: September 10, 2021</b>	
<b>SESSION 4. <i>Travel documentation policy and processing</i></b>	
<b>9:00 – 10:00</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The role of visas as a screen to ensure border and migration integrity</li><li>• Best practices in visa processing and travel documentation</li></ul> <p>Lead panelist country: <b>United States</b></p>
<b>SESSION 5. <i>International Protection Systems</i></b>	
<b>10:00 – 11:00</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The importance of effective international protection determination systems</li><li>• Different alternatives for international protection</li><li>• Identification of capacity gaps and opportunities for collaboration</li></ul> <p>Lead panelist country: <b>Mexico</b></p>
<b>11:00 – 11:15</b>	Break
<b>SESSION 6. <i>Migration governance and pathways for regular migration</i></b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussion on migration governance and pathways for regular migration</li></ul>



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<b>11:15 – 12:00</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Open South America</li></ul> Lead panelist country: <b>Argentina</b>
<b>CLOSURE SESSION</b>	
<b>12:00 – 13:00</b>	<p>Next steps</p> <p>General Conclusions and summary of the meeting.</p> <p>Joint Communiqué (negotiated and drafted prior to the meeting)</p> <p>Lead by: RCM PPT and SACM PPT</p> <p>Closing and farewell:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ana Laura Cachaza, General Director of Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship and Presidency Pro-Tempore of the SACM</li><li>• Ambassador Julio Fiol - General Director of Consular Affairs, Immigration and Chileans Abroad. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Chile (nest SACM PPT)</li><li>• Master Rocío González Higuera, Head of the Immigration Policy, Registration and Identity of Persons Unit of the Ministry of the Interior representing the Presidency Pro-Tempore of the RCM</li></ul>