

# New UNECE Task Force on measuring new forms of international migration

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# Why do we need a TF on measuring new forms of international migration?

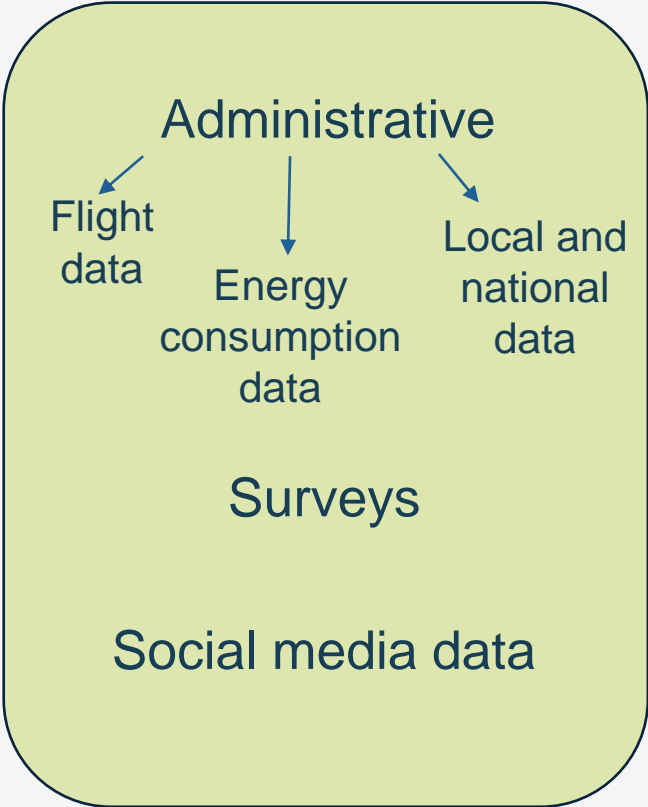
- Migration patterns are not static; they change according to global events, policies and opportunities.
- Quality evidence needed in this area to make policy
- Unfeasible to use past behaviours and patterns of movement to make the assumptions required to generate statistics.
- Will complement but be distinct from the other developments in migration Task Forces

# Initial meeting – the challenge

Responsiveness whilst maintaining quality and accuracy

Policy needs to be based on behaviours and evidence-based expectations

Effective crisis response



Hidden and hard to reach populations

Overstayers

Irregular migration

Temporary & permanent

Impact on sub-national geographies

# Objectives

The objective of the Task Force is:



- a. To investigate what the needs and opportunities are to measure new forms of migration.
- b. To consider opportunities for joint research within the Task Force, for example to look for those leaving one country arriving in the destination country by a range of definitions.
- c. To provide a review of what is happening and what is possible, with a view to formulate recommendations for national statistical offices ensuring consistency with existing standard terms and definitions.

## Task Force members

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# Workplan



- The Task Force will last for 2 years (Feb 2024 – Jun 2026)
- In year 1, the task force aims to:
  - Send a questionnaire to countries to determine the needs and opportunities to measure new forms of migration.
  - Experiment in a few countries participating in the Task Force to test different measurement approaches.
- The work plan for Year 2 will be informed by the outcomes of work completed in Year 1.
- Year 2 will end with the production of a report on the measurement of new forms of migration, detailing the outcome of the Task Forces' work.

# Workplan – Our First Task

- The task force are designing a questionnaire to capture the needs and opportunities to measure new forms of migration.
- This will be sent to the members of the task force, other countries/institutions who have already raised an interest in contributing to this data collection and any other interested parties.

