ABOUT THE SIDE EVENT

This side event will provide a platform to discuss the European dimension of migration data. The new section of the Global Migration Data Portal will be launched to highlight the past and recent trends on migration in Europe, existing data sources, and strengths and weaknesses of those data.

Launched in December 2017, the Global Migration Data Portal is designed to help policy makers, national statistics officers, journalists and the general public to understand international migration data. By making the evidence about migration issues accessible in one place and easy to understand, the Portal aims to contribute to a more informed public debate.

BACKGROUND

Migration is a cross-cutting issue, relevant to all of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Eleven out of 17 goals contain targets and indicators that are relevant to migration or mobility. The Agenda’s core principle to “leave no one behind”, including migrants, requires data disaggregation by migratory status, opening up significant migration data needs but also the opportunity to improve migration data.

Speakers
Ms. Argentina Szabados, Regional Director for South-Eastern Europe, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, IOM
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Mr. Carlos Santamaria, Joint Research Centre, European Commission

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Lunch will be served at 13.
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