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**CARIBBEAN REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE PROTECTION OF VULNERABLE PERSONS IN  
MIXED MIGRATION FLOWS**

**PROMOTING COOPERATION AND IDENTIFICATION OF GOOD PRACTICES**

22-23 May 2013, Nassau, The Bahamas

**PANELIST PRESENTATION GUIDELINES**

**Natural Disasters and Mobility - Data Collection and Analysis**

**Wednesday, 22 May 2013, 13:15-14:45**

**CONTEXT:**

Globally, the sharing of experiences, challenges, and good practices in migration management can help stakeholders learn from similar experiences elsewhere and inspire their own legal, policy, operational and procedural responses to migration issues.

A key to any coherent and comprehensive mixed migration strategy is the collection, analysis and exchange of data about the characteristics of the movement and those groups which make it up. Such data should typically include information relating to conditions in countries of origin, motivations for movement, modes of transport, transit routes and entry points.

As such, your country/agency is invited to present your experiences, challenges, and good practices regarding how data is collected, analyzed, and shared when there is a natural disaster (hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, volcano eruptions) that prompt mobility (internal and external displacement, relocation, and/or migration) and in the context of mixed migratory flows and arrivals. Though the session's agenda is still a work in progress, this panel session is scheduled for Wednesday, 22 May.

**PLEASE PREPARE A SHORT PRESENTATION ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING:**

- Content should be structured to provide insight to the local context by describing answers to the following questions:
  - 1) What **kinds of natural disasters** affect your country/agency? What are the recent experiences?

How did or does it affect the population– how many people were affected, how many people moved to shelter, for how long did they stay in shelter? How did they cope with their sudden lifestyle changes?

- 2) What **tools** did the government use to ascertain who needed shelter and/or other services in the context of natural disasters and mobility?
  - 3) Which **agencies or stakeholders** had, or can have, responsibility for data collection, analysis, and sharing in the context of natural disasters and mobility?
  - 4) How were **data collected, analyzed, and shared** (e.g. data source; data entry; used software and hardware) in the context of natural disasters and mobility?
  - 5) For **what purpose(s)** were / are the data collected and analyzed in the context of natural disasters and mobility?
  - 6) Are there any **data protection safeguards** in place or incorporated into your existing tools or mechanisms for collecting, analyzing, and sharing data in the context of natural disasters and mobility?
  - 7) **How and why was the analyzed data shared** with other stakeholders in the context of natural disasters and mobility?
  - 8) What were some of the **challenges** your country/agency experienced in this context?
  - 9) How has your country/agency established some **good practices** for collecting, analyzing, and sharing data in the context of natural disasters and mobility? What are your good practices?
- Presentations should be no more than 15 minutes. This time will be strictly enforced due to our tight schedule. We understand that 15 minutes is not enough time to describe answers to all of the questions above. Choose the questions that are most relevant to illustrate how your country/agency is responding given the local context. We also recognize that you may not have all of the information; therefore, we encourage you to contact counterparts in the various government agencies and civil society to gather their insight. As this is a public setting, please provide information that is not confidential.