

**GLOBAL COMPACT ON REFUGEES FIFTH FORMAL
CONSULTATION MEETING
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STATEMENT BY TURKEY**

Agenda item 2: Programme of action: Mechanisms for burden- and responsibility-sharing (Part III.A)

- Under the general title “program of action”, we welcome the addition of paragraph 12 referring to different aspects of displacement. We believe that such contexts need to be further discussed as areas of effective cooperation with a view to addressing possible protection gaps.
- In para 11, we would like to see wording that would highlight the expeditious or timely nature of contributions and working of mechanisms.
- The backbone of the GCR should be clearly setting out the mechanisms for concrete action in order for host countries and refugees to obtain tangible and sustainable support from the international community. We therefore support the strong language in this section.
- We also appreciate the linkage of these mechanisms with the Executive Committee and the emphasis that such mechanisms will go beyond existing processes and ways of doing business.
- We believe that the participation of the UN Secretary General in the Global Refugee Forum would be useful in ensuring high level participation and raising political commitment. Certainly, this will increase the Forum’s visibility and impact, as well.
- The success of the GCR is dependent on the level of political will on the side of the international community. We believe that the Global Refugee Forum would be effective in raising political will and suggest to indicate this under para 17.
- Periodicity of 4 years is acceptable. This might also create some complementarity with the Global Compact on Migration which foresees to convening of the International Migration Review Forum also every 4 years.
- We welcome the changes made under Support Platform section. It is crucial to operationalize the Platform under host country ownership and leadership, as pointed in the new language.

- We also support the creation of the option of deactivation for the Platform depending on the circumstances on the ground.
- We believe that Solidarity Conferences on a specific refugee situation will be useful in channeling broad based support in a swift manner. We are saying this as the largest refugee hosting country. We are pleased that our expectations are taken on board related to encompassing the engagement of development actors, civil society, local communities and the private sector.
- The mobilization of timely, predictable, adequate and sustainable public and private funding is key for the successful implementation of the GCR.
- We believe it would be useful to clarify whether such contributions will be used by the host state on a project basis or through direct contribution to the concerned state.
- As regards funding and the contribution of the private sector in this respect, we repeat our request to include the GFMD Business Mechanism which is the unique platform bringing together States and businesses.
- The success of the Global Compact definitely requires an effective multi-stakeholder approach. However, the national laws and regulations of states and the need for both consultation and coordination with relevant state institutions should remain a must for these exercises.
- We appreciate further clarification in the new draft on the role of the UN system as well as emphasis on coordination and consultation with national governments.
- On the other hand, it would be useful to encourage support for strengthening infrastructure and housing in addition to institutional capacity in the section related to local authorities and other local actors.
- We appreciate further explanation provided by UNHCR on the process of measuring the impact of hosting and we look forward to the oral update during the Standing Committee meeting next week. As a country hosting more than 4 million refugees we will continue to follow and engage in this process.

Thank you.