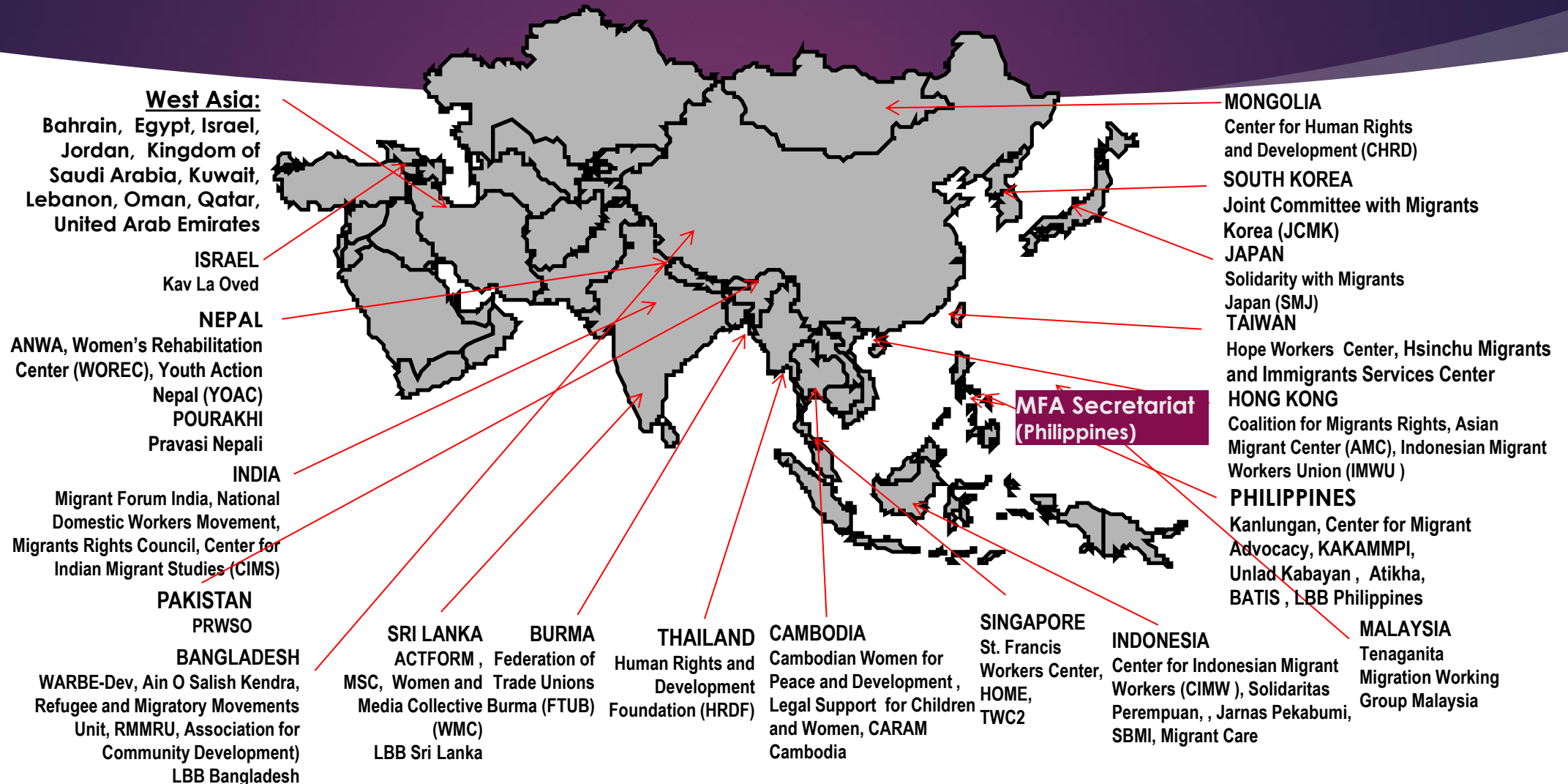


Regional Overview and Analysis of Policies Related to the Rights of Migrants

Migrant Forum in Asia
ADVANCING MIGRANTS' STRUGGLE FOR RIGHTS AND JUSTICE



MFA Network: 200+ members in 18 countries / areas and 50 partners in West Asia



Regional Trends

- ▶ **Social protection**
- ▶ **Disenfranchisement**
- ▶ **Recruitment**
 - ▶ **Government-to-government agreements**
 - ▶ **Comprehensive information and orientation program (CIOP)**
- ▶ **Statelessness in the Mekong Region**
- ▶ **Unemployment which impacts more on the young people**

ASEAN

- ▶ **Asian Forum on Migrant Labour (AFML)**
 - ▶ an open platform for the:
 - ▶ review, discussion and exchange of best practices and ideas between governments, workers' and employers' organizations, and civil society stakeholders on key issues facing migrant workers in ASEAN
 - ▶ the forum produces recommendations to advance the implementation of the principle of the ASEAN declaration and protection and promotion of the rights of the migrant workers.
 - ▶ **2016 Theme: Social Protection and Portability of Social Security for Migrant Workers**
 - ▶ **2017—focus on migrant domestic workers**

ASEAN

▶ ASEAN Summit

- ▶ Chair for ASEAN Summit: Philippines (2017) and Singapore (2018)
- ▶ Theme: “ Partnering for change, engaging the world”
- ▶ Thematic Priorities: 1) A people-oriented and people-centered ASEAN* 2) Peace and stability in the region 3) Maritime security and cooperation 4) Inclusive, innovation-led growth 5) ASEAN’s resiliency* 6) ASEAN: A model of regionalism, a global player
- ▶ January 15, 2017: launched of the Philippine Chairmanship of ASEAN
- ▶ April 26 -30: ASEAN Summit I in Metro Manila
- ▶ August 2 – 8: ASEAN Ministerial Meeting for the 50th in Metro Manila
- ▶ November 10 – 13: ASEAN Summit II in Clark

ASEAN



- ▶ **ASEAN Civil Society Conference (ACSC) / ASEAN People's Forum (APF)**
 - ▶ **an annual / regular forum of CSOs in ASEAN Member States, which is held as a parallel meeting to the ASEAN Summit of Heads of State.**
 - ▶ **2017 Theme: *Beyond Boundaries: Strengthening People's Solidarities for a Just, Equitable, and Human Southeast Asia***
 - ▶ **Target date: 30 July – 1 August 2017 in the Philippines**

2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

- ▶ **The High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) on Sustainable Development is a United Nations central platform for the follow up and review of the 2040 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals, adopted at the UN Sustainable Development Summit on 25 September 2015**
- ▶ **2017 HLPF – July 10-19, New York**
- ▶ **VNR 2017 – Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Iran, Japan, Jordan, Malaysia, Maldives, Nepal, Qatar, Thailand**
- ▶ **Voluntary National Review (VNR) 2016 – China, Philippines, South Korea**
- ▶ **Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development (APFSD) – 29-31, March, Bangkok**

Global Forum on Migration and Development

- ▶ 2016 Theme in Bangladesh—*Migration that works for Sustainable Development for All: Towards a Transformative Migration Agenda*”
- ▶ GFMD 2017-2018 – co-chaired by Germany (2017) and Morocco (2018)
- ▶ 10th GFMD Summit Meeting 28-30 June 2017 (30th is the Common Space)
- ▶ Civil Society Days (CSD) – 29 June and July 1, 2017
- ▶ People’s Global Action on Migration, Development and Human Rights (PGA) – 2-3 July, 2017

Global Forum on Migration and Development



- ▶ **Migration and Development through National Strategies: Enhancing the Effectiveness of Domestic Policies**
 - ▶ **Roundtable 1.1: Tools and Safeguards for Policy Coherence – Finding the right policy mix to balance different interests and objectives**
 - ▶ **Roundtable 1.2: From Global Agreement to Implementation – National Action Plans for migration related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**

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- ▶ **Migration and Development through Multilateral and Bilateral Partnerships: Creating Perspectives for Inclusive Development**
 - ▶ **Roundtable 2.1: Moving beyond emergencies – Creating development solutions to the mutual benefit of host communities and displaced persons**
 - ▶ **Roundtable 2.2: Fostering the development impact of return migrants**

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- ▶ **Migration and Development: Finding strategies beyond the State**
 - ▶ **Roundtable 3.1: Raising the Global Talent Pool – Harnessing the Potential of the Private Sector for Global Skills Partnerships**
 - ▶ **Roundtable 3.2: Strengthening Cooperation – Enabling Civil Society Contributions in Migrant and Refugee Integration**

Global Compact on Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

- ▶ **Result of the 19 September 2016, UN High Level Meeting on Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants**
- ▶ **The meeting concluded with a New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants. This launched a process of intergovernmental negotiations aimed at the adoption of a Global Compact for Safe, Orderly, and Regular Migration, and a global compact on refugees in 2018 at an international conference.**

Global Compact on Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

- ▶ Set out a range of common principles and commitments among Member States regarding international migration in all its dimensions
- ▶ Mexico and Switzerland are appointed as co-facilitators
- ▶ The International Organization for Migration (IOM)—the UN migration agency, tasked to service the negotiations for the Global Migration Compact together with the UN Secretariat—will be a key player in the current and future debate on migration governance.

Global Compact on Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

▶ Thematics

- ▶ Human rights of migrants, social inclusion, cohesion, and all forms of discrimination, including racism, xenophobia and intolerance (April/May 2017),
- ▶ Irregular migration and regular pathways, including decent work, labor mobility, recognition of skills and qualifications, and other relevant measures (October 2017),
- ▶ International cooperation and governance of migration in all its dimensions, including at borders, on transit, entry, return, readmission, integration and reintegration (June 2017);

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▶ Thematics

- ▶ International cooperation and governance of migration in all its dimensions, including at borders, on transit, entry, return, readmission, integration and reintegration (June 2017);
- ▶ Contributions of migrants and diasporas to all dimensions of sustainable development , including remittances and portability of earned benefits (July 2017),

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► Thematics

- Addressing drivers of migration, including adverse effects of climate change, natural disasters and human-made crises, through protection and assistance, sustainable development, poverty eradication, conflict prevention and resolution (May 2017),
- smuggling of migrants, trafficking in persons and contemporary forms of slavery, including appropriate identification, protection and assistance to migrants and trafficking victims (September 2017)



Thank You!

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