



Migration Profiles

Amy Muedin

IOM Office of the Permanent Observer to the UN

**Conference on Mainstreaming Migration into Development Planning
Assessing the Evidence, Continuing the Dialogue**

New York, 7-8 May 2012



Background

“A Migration Profile is a country-owned tool, prepared in consultation with a broad range of stakeholders, which can be used to enhance policy coherence, evidence-based policymaking and the mainstreaming of migration into development plans.” (IOM, 2011)

- EC Communication on M&D, COM (2005) 390
- “Migration at a glance” to “process and tool to promote policy coherence”
- Since 2006 more than 80 country migration profiles



MPs' Contributions

Main Challenges

Lack of capacity

Policy fragmentation

Lack of data and indicators

Sustainability and ownership

MP's evidence-based responses

Tool to identify capacity needs

Tool to foster coherence

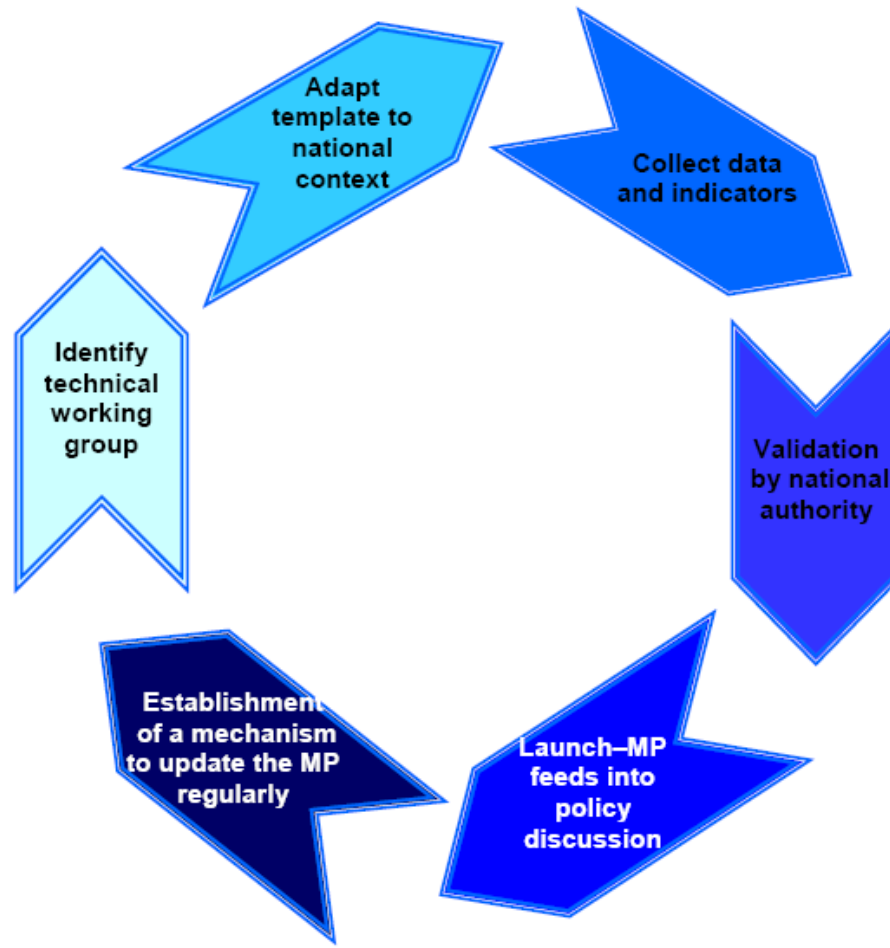
Enhance use of existing data and fill gaps

Mechanisms to promote country ownership





MP as a process



MP Cycle

Main challenges:

- **Ownership**
- **Sustainability**



Key Challenges

Migration Profiles: not an end but a beginning

- Promote a common understanding
- Facilitate more systematic sharing between countries of migration profiles experiences
- Extend the geographical coverage of migration profiles to all countries worldwide
- Extend scope of issues covered by migration profiles
- Improve the quality/analysis of the reports
- Address research gaps and improve data management through capacity building



Key Challenges

Migration Profiles: not an end but a beginning

- Promote migration profiles as a tool for monitoring and evaluation
- Enhance the use of the MP to promote the mainstreaming of migration into national development plans
- Strengthen government ownership of the process and use of migration profiles for strategic policy development
- Encourage sustainability and updating of profiles



MP Guide and Template

- *Migration Profiles: Making the Most of the Process*
- Guide: **Why and How** to prepare a Migration Profile
- Template as a “**menu**”
 - Thematic modules + set indicators
 - Data sources and definitions



Thank you!

Questions?
amuedin@iom.int