

Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

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The UN Resolution

 The New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants – adopted by General Assembly 19 September 2016

 Two Global Compacts: safe orderly and regular migration and refugees;

The role of human rights

- Over 30 references to human rights in the NY Declaration para 5:
- "We reaffirm the purposes and principles of the Charter o the United Nations. We reaffirm also the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and recall the core international human rights treaties."

Whose human rights?

 "We reaffirm and will fully protect the human rights of all refugees and migrants regardless of status: all are rights holders."

NY Declaration para 5.

Safe v Unsafe Migration

What is safe migration?

UN World Tourism Organisation: 2017: 1.2 billion tourists (cross border movement)

IOM Missing Migrants: 2018 so far: 1,008 persons lost – 606 in the Mediterranean

What is safe migration?

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What is unsafe migration?



Orderly v Disorderly Migration

Where do people arrive?

Airports,

land border cross points,

sea borders;

What makes migration orderly?

What makes migration disorderly?

What is orderly migration?



Orderly for whom?



Regular v Irregular Migration

 What is regular migration? Relationship with what law and which rules?

 What is irregular migration? What laws or rules make migration irregular?

Where does irregular migration take place?

Regular for whom?



Changing the paradigm: UN Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants

8 Human Mobility Goals:

- Safe, accessible and affordable mobility solutions for all migrants;
- Protect labour and human rights of migrants;
- Human rights at border controls;
- End use of detention;
- Effective access to justice for migrants;

UN Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants: 8 Goals

- Easy access to basic services;
- Protection from discrimination and violence;
- Better data.

Targets, indicators and a deadline: 2035.



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