

INTEGRATING MIGRANTS IN CITIES



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ONE UN ROOM

3.00-5.00PM, 9 FEBRUARY

A WUF 9 Networking Event jointly hosted by UNESCO, UNDP, IOM, and UN-Habitat



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KEY MESSAGE

The mass movement of people into cities is one of the defining megatrends of our time. Yet migration into cities, while it holds great potential for the economic development and cultural enrichment of cities, continues to pose fresh and urgent problems for policymakers at all levels. Migrants encounter problems accessing public services, finding meaningful employment, and being accepted as a member of their new community. When integration fails, the positive effects of migration are left unrealized. Join us for a timely and important discussion of how we can understand migration — forced or unforced, internal or international — and better allow migrants to contribute to society.

A vertical photograph of a city skyline at night, with numerous skyscrapers illuminated by lights. The lights are reflected in the water in the foreground.

PROGRAMME

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3:00-3:15pm

- **Opening Address**
- Stefan Preisner | *UN Resident Coordinator for Malaysia and UNDP Resident Representative for Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei Darussalam*

3:15-3.45pm

- **Panel I: Understanding Migration**
- H. E. Poch Bunnak | *Under Secretary of State, Ministry of Planning, Cambodia*
- Hang Suvidya | *Deputy Director, Department of the General Secretariat for Population and Development, Ministry of Planning, Cambodia*
- Prof. Ravi Srivastava | *Professor of Economics, Jawarhalal Nehru University, and Chairman, Institute of Development Studies*
- Montira Unakul | *National Professional Officer, Culture Unit, UNESCO Bangkok*
- Taimur Khilji | *Economist-2030 Agenda, UNDP Bangkok Regional Hub*

3:45-4:00pm

- **Q&A**

4:00-4:15pm

- **Tea Break**

4:15-4:45pm

- **Panel II: Responding to Migration in Cities**
- Eugene Mapuwo | *Mayor of Livingstone, Zambia*
- Jean Pierre Elong Mbassi | *Secretary-General, UCLG-Africa*
- Dr. Shipra Narang Suri | *Coordinator, Urban Planning and Design Branch, UN-Habitat*
- Roderick Reforsado | *Manager, Naga City Migrants Resource Center, Office of the City Mayor, Naga City, Philippines*
- Ashish Xiangyi Kumar | *Project Officer, Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO Bangkok*

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