


VII Annual Meeting

MIRPS 2024

 Best Western Belize
Biltmore Plaza,
Belize City

 Thursday,
5 December



AGENDA

8:30 a.m.	Registration
9:00 a.m.	Opening remarks
9:25 a.m.	Master of ceremonies: Ms. Tanya Santos, Chief Executive Officer, Ministry of Immigration of Belize <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hon. John Briceño, <i>Prime Minister of Belize and Minister of Immigration</i> H.E. Nestor Mendez, <i>Assistant Secretary General of the Organization of American States (OAS)</i> H.E. Filippo Grandi, <i>United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)</i>
9:25 a.m.	Official Photo
9:30 a.m.	
9:30 a.m.	Coffee Break
9:45 a.m.	
9:45 a.m.	MIRPS 2024 Video
9:50 a.m.	
9:50 a.m.	Thematic Discussions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Session 1: Access to protection in countries of transit and destination <i>Moderation: Mr. Michael Carter, Director for International Engagement and Capacity Building, Asylum Program and Policy Branch, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H.E. Ambassador Martha Zamarripa Rivas, <i>Ambassador of Mexico to Belize</i> H.E. Juan Francisco Borrell, <i>Vice Minister of Government of Panama</i> Reflections in Plenary Session 2: National policies and practices for addressing internal displacement <i>Moderation: Ms. Betilde Muñoz-Pogossian, Director of the Department of Social Inclusion, Organization of American States.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H.E. Angélica Álvarez, <i>Secretary of State for Human Rights of Honduras</i> Mr. Francisco Javier Cepero, <i>Deputy Head of the ICRC Regional Delegation for Mexico and Central America, ICRC</i> Reflections in Plenary
11:00 a.m.	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Session 3: Durable solutions and integration of displaced persons Moderation: Mr. Francesco Carella, Regional Labour Migration and Mobility Specialist, ILO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ H.E. Cindy Portal, Vice Minister of Diaspora and Human Mobility of El Salvador ○ Mr. Nikolai Zelaya, Director, Refugees Department, Ministry of Immigration of Belize ○ Mr. Jean Paul San Lee, Acting Director of the General Directorate of Migration and Foreigners of Costa Rica ○ Ms. Fabiola Mazariegos, Director of Migration Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Guatemala ○ Ms. Jenny Martinez, Councilor, Representing the Municipality of Benque Viejo del Carmen ○ Ms. Ana Cabrera Cordón, Women, Peace and Security Programmes Analyst, UN Women ○ Mr. Michael Lund, Deputy Resident Representative for UNDP Belize ○ Reflections in Plenary
11:10 a.m. 11:45 a.m.	Interventions from MIRPS Support Platform Members Moderation: Dr. Betilde Muñoz-Pogossian, Director of the Department of Social Inclusion, Organization of American States <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ms. Jennifer Davis, Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, United States of America ○ H.E. Ambassador Isaura Duarte Rodríguez, Refugee Status Determination IWG Coordinator - Technical Secretariat CONARE, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Colombia ○ H.E. Ambassador Erja Askola, Ambassador of the European Union to Jamaica, Belize and the Bahamas ○ H.E. Maciej Popowski, Director-General, Directorate General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO), European Union (video intervention) ○ Mr. Michael Carter, Director for International Engagement and Capacity Building, Asylum Program and Policy Branch, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada ○ H.E. Ambassador Agemar Sanctos, Ambassador of Brazil to Belize ○ Ms. María Salcedo, Minister Counselor, Embassy of Spain in Mexico ○ Ms. Ana Aguilera, Senior Social Development Specialist for Latin America and Caribbean, Department of Social Development, World Bank (video intervention) ○ Mr. Felipe Muñoz, Chief of Migration Unit, Inter-American Development Bank (video intervention)
11:45 a.m. 11:50 a.m.	OAS Intervention on the MIRPS Fund <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ms. Claudia González Bengoa, Chief of the Migration and Forced Displacement Section, Department of Social Inclusion, Organization of American States
11:50 a.m. 12:10 p.m.	Interventions on MIRPS Dialogue Mechanisms Moderation: Dr. Betilde Muñoz-Pogossian, Director of the Department of Social Inclusion, Organization of American States <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Cristian Andrade, Casa Frida, Coordinator of the MIRPS Civil Society Dialogue Mechanism 2024 ○ Dr. Cynthia Eve Aird, Provost, Galen University, MIRPS Academia Dialogue Mechanism ○ Ms. Kim Aikman, CEO, Belize Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Intervention on Private Sector Collaboration
12:10 p.m. 12:15 p.m.	Adoption of the Belize City Declaration

12:15 p.m. 12:25 p.m.	Formal handover of the MIRPS Pro-tempore Presidency and Banner <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Tanya Santos, Chief Executive Officer, Ministry of Immigration of Belize H.E. Alejandro Solano, Vice Minister of Multilateral Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship of Costa Rica (<i>video intervention</i>)
12:25 p.m. 12:30 p.m.	Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Tanya Santos, Chief Executive Officer, Ministry of Immigration of Belize
1:00 p.m.	Official Lunch
2:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Bilateral Meetings
7:00 p.m. 10:00 p.m.	Official Cocktail