



VIII Annual Meeting

MIRPS 2025



Heredia, 25 November 2025

AGENDA

Time	Activity
9:00 a.m.	Opening session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Betilde Muñoz-Pogossian, Director, Department of Access to Rights, Organization of American States (OAS) • H.E. Albert Ramdin, Secretary General, Organization of American States (<i>video intervention</i>) • H.E. Mauricio Jaramillo Jassir, Vice Minister for Multilateral Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of the Republic of Colombia • H.E. Filippo Grandi, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) • Amb. Alejandro Solano, Vice Minister for Multilateral Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship, Government of the Republic of Costa Rica • Mr. Mario Zamora, Minister of Interior, Police and Public Security, Government of the Republic of Costa Rica
9:35 a.m.	Official photograph of the Heads of Delegation of the MIRPS countries, the Chair of the MIRPS Support Platform, and the MIRPS Technical Secretariat
9:40 a.m.	Break
9:55 a.m.	MIRPS Video 2025
10:00 a.m.	MIRPS Results in 2025: Achievements and Lessons Learned <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 1: Reception, Admission, and Effective Access to Rights for Refugees, Asylum-seekers, Internally Displaced Persons, Returnees, and Stateless Persons Moderator: Ms. Brigitte Witzel, Senior Policy Analyst, Asylum - Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ H.E. Cindy Mariella Portal, Vice Minister for Diaspora and Human Mobility, Government of El Salvador ○ H.E. Juan Francisco Borrell, Vice Minister of Government, Government of Panama ○ Amb. Jessica Mendoza, Director General for Consular and Migration Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Guatemala ○ Ms. Guadalupe Sandoval, Director General for the Protection of Honduran Migrants, Government of Honduras ○ Ms. Cindy Molina, Head of the Refugee Unit, Government of Costa Rica ○ Ms. Daniela Gutierrez, Regional Coordinator for Protection of Migrants and Internally Displaced Persons, International Committee of the Red Cross ○ Mr. Juan Carlos Méndez, Senior Regional Advisor for Latin America and the Caribbean, Platform on Disaster Displacement • Session 2: Durable Solutions and Integration of Displaced Persons Moderator: Ms. Allegra Baiocchi, Resident Coordinator, United Nations System in Costa Rica <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ H.E. Víctor Sánchez Colín, Ambassador of Mexico to Costa Rica ○ Amb. Jessica Mendoza, Director General for Consular and Migration Affairs, Ministry of Foreign, Government of Guatemala ○ Mr. Nikolai Zelaya, Director of the Refugee Department, Government of Belize ○ Mr. Leonardo Ferreira, Deputy Director, ILO Office for Central America, Haiti, Panama, and the Dominican Republic ○ Ms. Gabriela Mata Marín, Programme Coordinator for Costa Rica, UN Women





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11:00 a.m.	<p>The MIRPS Support Platform and Other Strategic Partners: Mobilizing Partnerships, Resources, and Commitments to Strengthen Protection and Solutions in the Region</p> <p><i>Moderator: Mr. Leonardo González Guzmán, Coordinator, Internal Working Group (GIT) on Refugee Status Determination, Technical Secretariat of CONARE, Government of Colombia, Chair of the MIRPS Support Platform 2025</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Leonardo González Guzmán, Coordinator, Internal Working Group (GIT) on Refugee Status Determination, Technical Secretariat of the CONARE• H.E. Juan Ignacio Morro Villacián, Ambassador of Spain to Costa Rica• H.E. Pierre-Louis Lempereurm, Ambassador of the European Union to Costa Rica• H.E. Hadja Lahbib, European Commissioner for Equality, Preparedness and Crisis Management, European Union (<i>video intervention</i>)• H.E. Bolívar Vicente Torres Cevallos, Ambassador of Ecuador to Costa Rica• Ms. Dana Cryderman, Chargé d’Affaires, Embassy of Canada in Costa Rica• Mr. Emilio Yáñez Bravo, Consul, Embassy of Chile in Costa Rica• Ms. Ana Aguilera, Senior Specialist on Migration and Forced Displacement, World Bank• Mr. Felipe Muñoz, Head of the Migration Unit, Inter-American Development Bank (<i>video intervention</i>)• Ms. Maria Moita, Regional Director, International Organization for Migration
11:45 a.m.	<p>Regional Impact of the MIRPS Fund at the OAS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Claudia González Bengoa, Head of the Migration and Protection Section, Department of Access to Rights, Organization of American States• Video showcasing the impact of the MIRPS Fund project in El Salvador
11:50 a.m.	<p>Shared Results: Contributions to MIRPS from Civil Society, Refugee-Led Organizations, the Private Sector, and Academia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Ana Valle, President of the Association of Nicaraguans in Mexico and Regional Coordinator of the Civil Society Dialogue Mechanism• Mr. Javier Córdoba Soto, Representative from the International University of the Americas, Academia Dialogue Mechanism• Mr. Jacobo Riba, Director, Costa Rican Chamber of Commerce
12:10 p.m.	<p>Adoption of the Reform of the Statutory Charter and the Heredia Declaration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Omer Badilla, Vice Minister of Interior and Police, Government of the Republic of Costa Rica
12:15 p.m.	<p>Handover of the MIRPS Pro-Tempore Presidency and Presentation of the MIRPS Banner</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Amb. Alejandro Solano, Vice Minister for Multilateral Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship, Government of the Republic of Costa Rica• H.E. Cindy Mariella Portal, Vice Minister for Diaspora and Human Mobility, Government of El Salvador
12:25 p.m.	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Mario Zamora, Minister of Interior, Police and Public Security, Government of the Republic of Costa Rica
1:00 p.m.	Official Lunch
2:30 p.m.	Bilateral Meetings

