

# People's Global Action on Migration, Development, & Human Rights 2014: Key Messages

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The dominant development paradigm produces inequities that compel migration. We need to move towards people and nature-centred, rights based development, and corporate accountability. Policies should consider migration in its entire complexity. Migration should be a choice not a necessity.

## On Migration in the Post-2015 Development Agenda

1. National and international laws and obligations should guarantee decent work for **all**, including migrant workers regardless of status, and in countries of origin and destination.
2. States should pursue robust and comprehensive social protection policies in critical areas of community wellbeing, such as education, healthcare, and housing.
3. Migrants' remittances are neither an answer to development nor an appropriate policy for poverty reduction.

## On Migrants in Crisis

1. The framework of "migrants in countries in crisis" is far too limiting and must be widened to include conditions of particular vulnerability that produce situations of permanent crisis for migrants.
2. "Migrants in crisis" should be considered in a human rights framework that moves beyond humanitarian responses to address root causes of injustice and migrants' vulnerability. Humanitarian responses must be swift, efficient, inclusive, and meet the immediate needs of migrants in crisis.
3. No migrant, irrespective of status, should be subject to punitive measures due to particular vulnerabilities in crisis situations.
4. Countries of origin, destination, and transit must be held to account for policies that criminalize migrants, and for the creation of national security apparatuses that result in perpetual crisis situations for migrants.