Foundations for Implementation

A reference tool containing guidance drawn from the UN’s Special Procedures and Treaty Bodies to support States in human rights based implementation of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration.

Objective 22: Establish mechanisms for the portability of social security entitlements and earned benefits

What This Reference Tool Contains

This compilation draws on recommendations from:

- Special Procedure thematic reports that relate specifically to migrants
- Treaty Body General Comments and General Recommendations that relate specifically to migrants

This practical tool emphasises recommendations for individual State action rather than observations, and includes those recommendations that assist in turning the objectives into practical actions rather than echoing the principles and standards agreed in the Compact.

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Guidance from Special Procedures

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<td>Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants (2014), A/HRC/26/35 (para.87)</td>
<td>Grant migrants, including irregular and temporary migrants, access to social security benefits on the basis of equal treatment with nationals. States should consider entering into bilateral, regional or multilateral agreements to provide social security coverage and benefits to migrant workers in this respect</td>
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<td>Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons (2018), A/HRC/39/50 (para.84)</td>
<td>Social protection has an important role in preventing exclusion from material and financial resources in old age. Non-contributory systems are the only means to ensure universal coverage and address gender imbalances. The Independent Expert recommends the development of participatory mechanisms of policy design and approaches to development that allow for the active engagement of older persons in decision-making. Such initiatives should move from simple consultative mechanisms to co-research or co-design with or by older persons and take due account of involving diverse groups of older persons, notably those who experience multiple forms of discrimination and are particularly vulnerable to high incidences of poverty and social exclusion, especially… migrants and refugees, among other groups</td>
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<td>Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and consequences (2018), A/HRC/39/52 (para.82(f))</td>
<td>Adopt and implement labour and social protection laws which extend to all domestic workers, including migrant domestic workers;</td>
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<td>SR slavery (2018), A/73/139 (para.54(l))</td>
<td>Consideration should also be given to the development of cooperative, transnational social protection systems;</td>
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Guidance from Treaty Bodies

There is currently no explicit guidance from the Treaty Bodies on this objective
This reference tool is part of a larger document that contains guidance for all 23 objectives of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration. It is available online at: quno.org/resource/2018/11/foundations-implementation

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