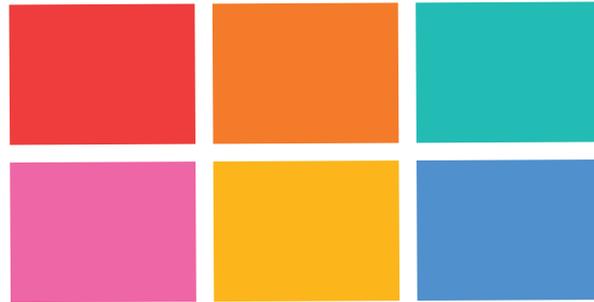


# iDIASPORA FORUM



## In brief

**iDiaspora** provides individual members of diaspora and migrant communities an opportunity to bring to light their important contributions that they make to the societies that they live in and the countries that they come from.

**iDiaspora** provides them a Forum to voice their opinions and propose recommendations on how migration should be governed through the forthcoming Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration.

**iDiaspora** is an easy platform to highlight some of the various issues that may affect them and the obstacles they face in empowering themselves and in contributing back to the communities they live in and the countries they come from.

## iDiaspora Vision

Through **iDiaspora**, countries that are negotiating the Global Compact will be made aware of the key concerns that diaspora members and communities have, the important contributions that they make to development and some key recommendations that they would like to see incorporated.

Beyond the Global Compact, the Forum provides a mechanism for diaspora communities and networks to engage with agencies and organisations that can advocate their views to local and national governments.

## Why iDiaspora?

Migrants and diaspora communities are recognised by the United Nations as important contributors to development. They play an invaluable role in society through:

- their economic contributions to the countries that they live in and come from,
- the cultural heritage and diversity that they bring with them,
- the charity that they give when their countries, families and friends are hit by crisis, and
- their entrepreneurship, ability to innovate and create social change.

## How to participate

**Register** your interest on [idiasporaforum.org](https://idiasporaforum.org)

**Share your stories** on the important role that you play in the society you live in and your country of origin.

**Highlight the challenges** that prevent you from making a lasting and full contribution.

**Share your actions** and best practices to inspire others and enable communities to be active participants in development.

Get your **questions answered** by our network of experts.

Access the tools and resources that will help you and your organization.

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