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LAS Headquarters, 7-8/5/2018**

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The Arab Regional Consultative Process on Migration and Refugee Affairs (ARCP) held its Fourth ordinary meeting on 7-8/5/2018 at LAS Headquarters in Cairo. The meeting was attended by representatives of 17 Arab Member States from concerned ministries of migration and refugee issues.

In continuation of LAS' efforts updating its Member States for the two processes leading to the adoption of both the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM) and the Global Compact on Refugees (GCR), LAS devoted the first day of the ARCP meeting to update the Member States on the two processes and the drafts that have been released for both compacts and to discuss the way forward. The session on the GCM was co-led by IOM and ESCWA, and with contribution of ILO, UNFPA and Morocco (as the host of the Intergovernmental Conference to adopt the GCM in December 2018), while the session on the GCR was led by UNHCR, and with contribution of UN-Habitat. Both sessions included important discussions and interaction between Member States and participating agencies.

On the second day, a session was dedicated to review Member States' efforts in following up on the two processes leading to the adoption of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM) and the Global Compact on Refugees (GCR). Member States actively participated in this session and provided LAS, Refugees, Expatriates and Migration Affairs Department (the ARCP Secretariat) with papers on their efforts in this regard. The papers will be collected in a documentary file and will be published on LAS portal.

A Position Paper on the themes of the Eleventh Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD), to take place in December 2018 in Marrakesh, was adopted by the participants, and translated into English and sent to Morocco and Germany, as the Co-chairs of the next upcoming round of the GFMD, to publish it on the GFMD website.

During the meeting, the participants agreed on the amendments made on the ARCP Terms of Reference (TORs) and adopted its 2018-2019 work plan.