

TOGETHER

Respect, Safety, and Dignity for All

WHAT IS TOGETHER?

TOGETHER is a global initiative that aims to change negative perceptions and attitudes towards refugees and migrants, and to strengthen the social contract between host countries and communities, and refugees and migrants. The core values of the United Nations and the determination to “leave no one behind”, both at the heart of the Development agenda, drive TOGETHER's objectives.

All 193 Member States of the United Nations unanimously welcomed the TOGETHER initiative and committed to implementing it, when they met at the Summit for Refugees and Migrants on 19 September 2016. TOGETHER will run until the second half of 2018, when Member States are expected to adopt two Global Compacts on Refugees and Migrants.

WHO IS INVOLVED?

TOGETHER is a UN System-wide initiative led by the Secretary-General, and implemented in partnership with Member States, the private sector and civil society.

WHO IS THE AUDIENCE?

TOGETHER speaks to communities hosting refugees and migrants as well as people concerned that refugees and migrants may bring physical and economic insecurity to their lives. TOGETHER engages and mobilizes global citizens to show support for refugees and migrants.

WHAT ARE TOGETHER'S OBJECTIVES?

- Create a coalition of UN agencies, Member States, the private sector and civil society, acting under the same banner, committed to addressing the problem of rising xenophobia.
- Promote global action in support of non-discrimination and acceptance of refugees and migrants.
- Create a strong persuasive narrative of solidarity, that showcases the shared benefits of migration to economies and nations, while also acknowledging legitimate concerns of host communities.
- Build empathy and humanize the debate. It will provide a platform for stories about and by migrants and refugees and of host communities that have benefited from the inclusion of refugees and migrants.

“Discrimination and marginalization characterizes the experience of many refugees and migrants around the world. ... To address this, I have decided to initiate a global campaign led by the United Nations to counter xenophobia”

**In Safety and Dignity,
Report of the
Secretary-General**

“Our duty to the people we serve is to work together to move from fear of each other to trust in each other. Diversity in all its forms is an asset, not a threat.”

**Secretary-General of
the United Nations,
António Guterres**



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