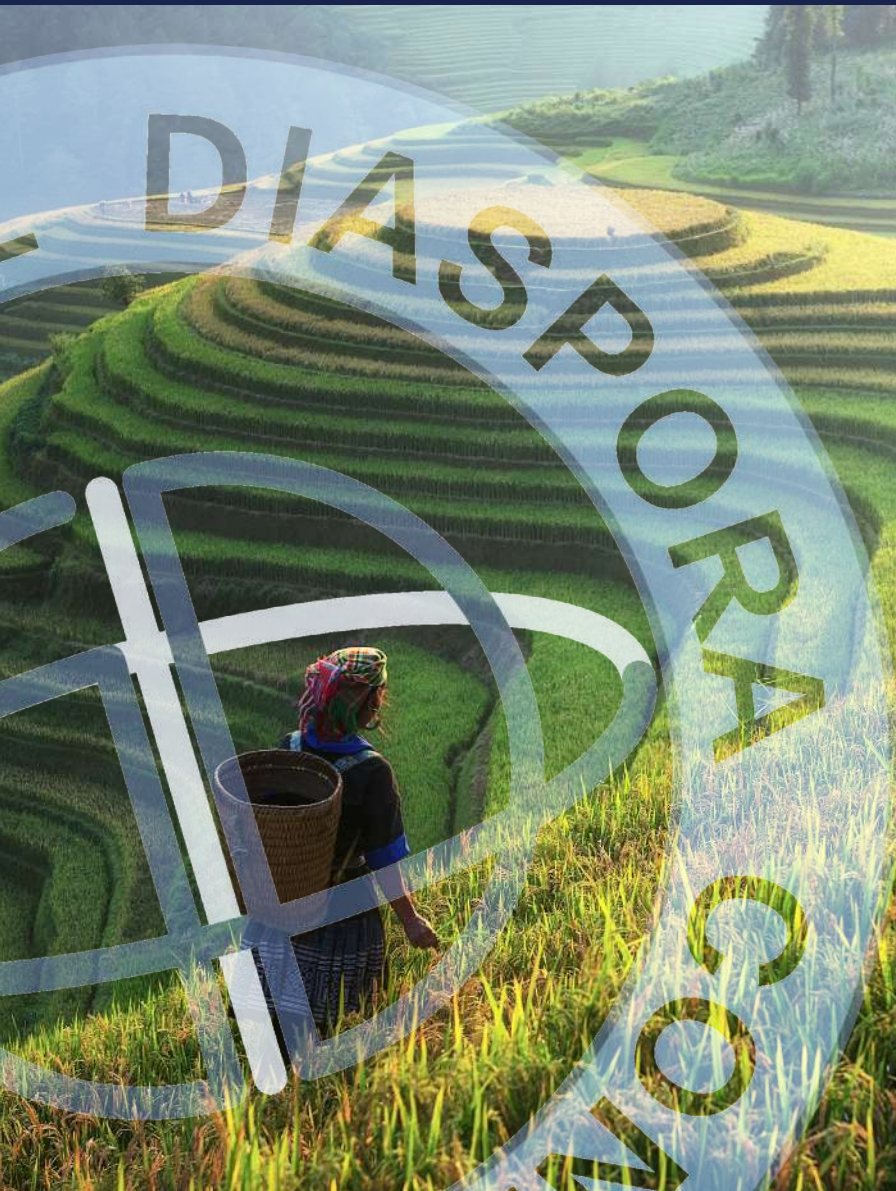


Global Diaspora Week 2021

'The world's first Global Diaspora Week
for all Diaspora Organizations'



Supported by UN International
Organization for Migration (IOM)



What is Global Diaspora Week?

The Global Diaspora Week is an annual event for all Diaspora Organizations across the world to discuss, debate and make recommendations on subjects pertaining to diaspora and their supporting communities. The outcomes will be summarized and presented on Global Diaspora Assembly

to the United Nations with all participating Diaspora Organizations. The Global Diaspora Week is organized by the Global Diaspora Confederation (GDC) and in partnership with the UN International Organization for Migration (IOM)

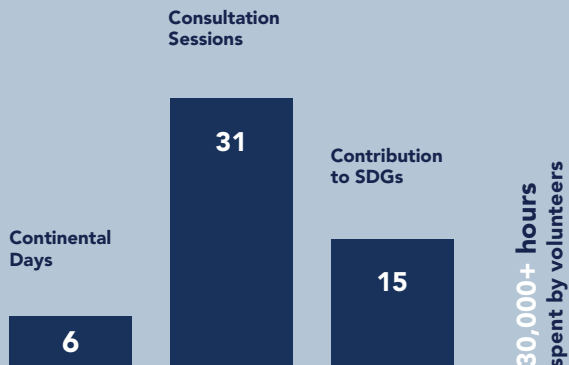
Theme for Global Diaspora Week 2021

12th – 18th December, 2021

“Sustainable Development and Migration:
Harnessing Global Diaspora Organizations’ Efforts
for Development”

The objectives of Global Diaspora Week are:

- To promote learning and knowledge exchange amongst Diaspora Organizations and communities
- To provide a platform to discuss and consult with Diaspora Organizations in six continents on the challenges their diaspora communities are facing and
- To unite for progress and call for continuous global diaspora engagement that contributes to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



About GDC

The Global Diaspora Confederation (GDC) is the world's largest diaspora-led civil society organization that aims to unify, support, develop and promote Diaspora Organizations across the world to achieve peace, unity, and social and economic advancement for all.

The GDC was founded in July 2020, after it convened 231 Diaspora Organizations from over 100 countries to issue a joint statement in solidarity with diaspora communities across the world who had been

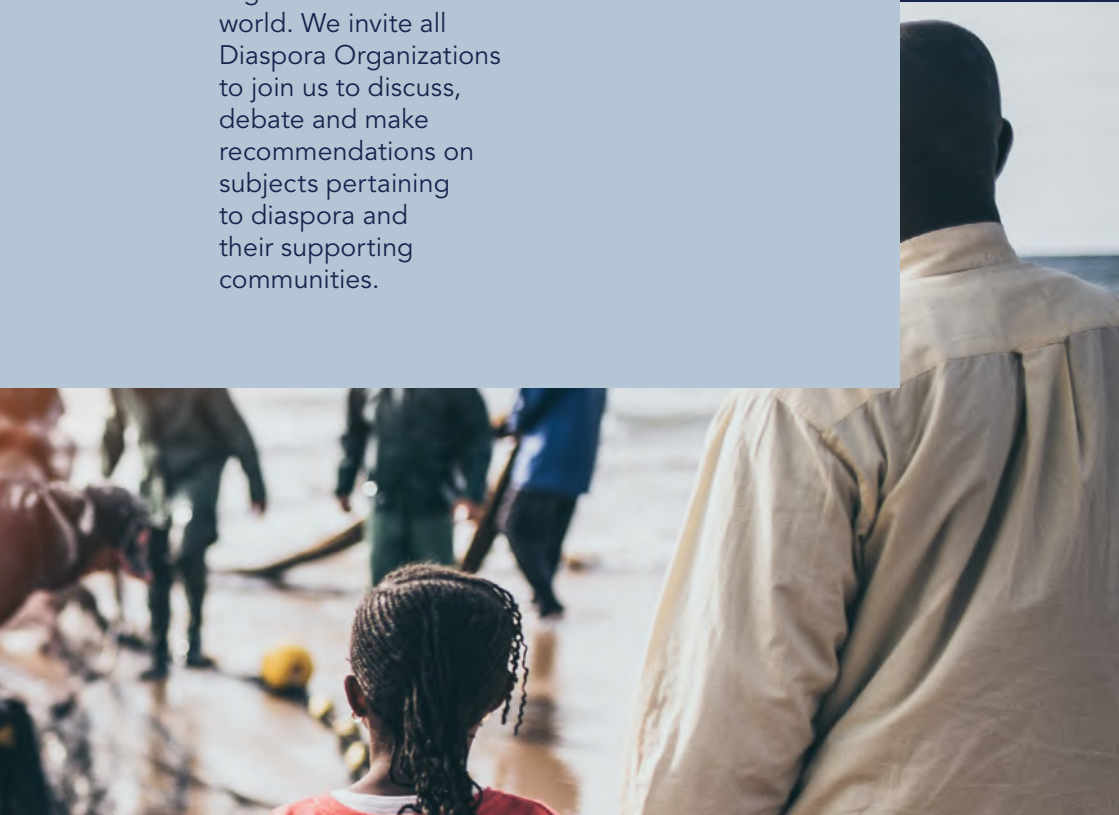
disproportionately affected by the pandemic, experiencing a rise in xenophobia caused by it.

The GDC is supported by the UN International Organization for Migration (IOM). It has since been progressing significantly with plans to expand its network, to facilitate stronger collaborations with diaspora partners to mobilize resources and to launch a platform for global online consultations with Diaspora Organizations across the world.



The purpose of the Global Diaspora Week is to bring Diaspora Organizations together, create unity through diversity, give voice to Diaspora Organizations to advocate for small communities by letting them be heard by many diaspora partners, governments, and intergovernmental organizations in the world. We invite all Diaspora Organizations to join us to discuss, debate and make recommendations on subjects pertaining to diaspora and their supporting communities.

This is a key moment to mark the global cohesion Diaspora Organizations have been building to date. It is also a celebratory moment to recognize importance of Diaspora Organizations that have advocated for their diasporas over the centuries.



Global Diaspora Week Agenda

Global Diaspora Week is a week of global activities for Diaspora Organizations (DO) in the world to advocate, discuss, debate and make recommendations on subjects pertaining to diaspora and their supporting communities.



Day 1 December 12, 2021 Global Diaspora Open Ceremony

Coordinated Universal Time (UTC/GMT)

8am – 9am

Central European
Time (UTC-1)

9am – 10am

Pacific Standard
Time (UTC-8)

12am – 1am

New Zealand
Time (UTC+13)

9pm – 10pm

08:00a.m – 8:10a.m	Opening and welcome
08:10a.m – 8:25a.m	Overview of GDC and the Global Diaspora Week



08:25a.m – 8:40a.m	Topic/Keynote Speaker: The role of Diaspora Organizations in connecting migrants and communities for sustainable development.
08:40a.m – 8:50a.m	Short presentation on global diaspora communities focused on successes and challenges
08:50a.m – 9:00a.m	Closing (Brief on Day 1 to 6 – focus topics, timings and expectations)

Continental Day 1 to 6 - December 12, 2021 High Level Consultation Meeting

Coordinated Universal Time (UTC/GMT)

9am – 11am

Central European
Time (UTC+1)

Turkey Time
(UTC+3)

Japan Standard
Time (UTC+9)

10am – 12pm

12pm – 2pm

6pm – 8pm

12:00p.m – 12:10p.m	Opening and welcome
12:10p.m – 12:20p.m	Topic/Keynote Speaker: And Video
12:20p.m – 12:30p.m	Diaspora Organizations' Introductions
12:30p.m – 1:20p.m	Consultation meetings/Breakout Session Introducing the consultation meeting process, key questions and poll.
1:20p.m – 1:45p.m	Plenary session
1:45p.m – 2:00p.m	Conclusion and networking

Day 2 - December 13, 2021 Humanitarian Assistance Meeting

Coordinated Universal Time (UTC/GMT)
3pm - 4pm

Central European Time (UTC+1)
4pm – 5pm

West Africa Time (UTC+1)
4pm – 5pm

East Africa Time (UTC+3)
6pm – 7pm

Day 2 - December 13, 2021 Africa

Coordinated Universal Time (UTC/GMT)
5pm – 7pm

Central European Time (UTC+1)
6pm – 8pm

West Africa Time (UTC+1)
6pm – 8pm

East Africa Time (UTC+3)
8pm – 10pm

Day 3 - December 14, 2021 Europe


Coordinated Universal Time (UTC/GMT)
6pm – 8pm

Central European Time (UTC+1)
7pm – 9pm

Greenwich Mean Time (UTC+0)
6pm – 8pm

Eastern European Time (UTC+2)
8pm – 10pm





Day 4 - December 15, 2021 North America, Central America and the Caribbean

**Coordinated Universal Time (UTC/GMT)
2am – 4am**

Central European Time (UTC-1)
3am – 5am

Pacific Standard Time (UTC-8)
6pm – 8pm

Eastern Standard Time (UTC-5)
9pm – 11pm

Day 5 - December 16, 2021 South America

**Coordinated Universal Time (UTC/GMT)
11pm – 1am**

Central European Time (UTC-1)
12am – 2am

Ecuador Time (UTC-5)
6pm – 8pm

Brasilia Time (UTC-3)
8pm – 10pm

Day 6 December 17, 2021 Oceania

**Coordinated Universal Time (UTC/GMT)
7am – 9am**

Central European Time (UTC-1)
8am – 10am

Australian Eastern Daylight Time (UTC+11)
6pm – 8pm

New Zealand Time (UTC+13)
8pm – 10pm

Day 7 December 18, 2021 Global Diaspora Assembly

Coordinated Universal Time (UTC/GMT)

2pm – 3.30pm

Central European Time (UTC-1)

3pm – 4.30pm

Pacific Standard Time (UTC-8)

6am – 7.30am

New Zealand Time (UTC+13)

3am – 4.30am

The Global Diaspora Assembly will take place on this final day of Global Diaspora Week. The Assembly not only celebrates the global unity with Diaspora Organizations coming together to represent their communities, the Continental presentations

will also summarize findings and discussions from the six Continental Days that will lay the foundation of GDC's plan going forward working with Diaspora Organizations and Partners.

3:00p.m – 3:05p.m	Welcome and Opening Session
3:05p.m – 3:20p.m	Keynote Speaker + Topic
3:20p.m – 4:20p.m	Continental Days Presentation
4:20p.m – 4:25p.m	The future of GDC
4:25a.m – 4:30p.m	Conclusion



How to register for Global Diaspora Week

Please visit the Global Diaspora Confederation website to sign up for Global Diaspora Week.

You can find out further information [here](#).

If you prefer, you can register directly via this [link](#).

If you are not a Diaspora Organization, you can still sign up as our Non-Member, via this [link](#).

If you have difficulty in completing the sign up form, please send us an [email](mailto:membership@theglobaldiaspora.org) at membership@theglobaldiaspora.org.

When you email us, please include:

- The name of your Diaspora Organization
- The country you operate in
- Your website address or your social media site(s)

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“This is a good initiative, that will enhance cross-border exchange of ideas and experiences and strengthen the work and widen the horizon of all participating”

Dr Bashir Olalekan Obasekola, Continental Chair of Nigerians in Diaspora Organization Europe (NIDOE)

“This is a laudable initiative!!! It reminds me as I write this short piece the common saying: ‘If you want to go fast, go alone, if you want to go far go together.’ I added this in one of my books: ‘if you want to go strong, work together.’ GDC has the potential to facilitate diasporic strength for the good of many. Well done!”

Ephraim Osaghae, Chief Operating Officer, Multicultural Professional Bridge, Australia

Please get in touch
with the team at
GDC.

We look forward to
hearing from you.

Contact us via [website](#)

