

## The Global Refugee Forum 2019

### Template for Pledges and Contributions

States and other stakeholders may use this template to indicate the pledges and contributions ['contributions'] that they plan to announce at the first Global Refugee Forum in Geneva, Switzerland on 17 and 18 December 2019.

States and other stakeholders are encouraged to complete the template **as early as possible**. This would facilitate UNHCR's collation of contributions in time for the Forum. However, as necessary, templates may still be sent to UNHCR at any time in advance of or during the Forum. Contributions will be collated for showcasing at the Global Refugee Forum and inclusion in the outcome document for the Forum.

Once completed, this template can be e-mailed (preferably in Word format) to [hqgrf@unhcr.org](mailto:hqgrf@unhcr.org)

#### Background information

Name of entity announcing the pledge/contribution:

Asia-Pacific Network of Refugees (APNOR)  
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#### Pledge and contribution information

The second page of this template provides you with the opportunity to provide details of the contributions that you would like to announce as part of the first Global Refugee Forum.

If you would like to announce additional contributions, please copy and paste the entirety of the page 2 for each further contribution.

Further information can be found in the Guidance Note: Pledges and Contributions and Good Practices ([here](#)).

Member States and other stakeholders who have further questions can contact UNHCR in their country/region or email the Global Refugee Forum Coordination Team at Headquarters in Geneva at [hqgrf@unhcr.org](mailto:hqgrf@unhcr.org)

## Pledge or Contribution

**Name of pledge or contribution:**

*Please give your pledge or contribution a title of no more than 10 words.*

**Co-create enabling environments for refugees' and affected others' meaningful participation**

**Is this an individual or joint pledge or contribution?**

- Individual  
 Joint

*The Global Refugee Forum will encompass individual contributions, which are made by a single State or other stakeholders, and joint contributions made by multiple States and/or stakeholders in partnership or towards a common goal.*

*Further information can be found in the Guidance Note: Pledges and Contributions and Good Practices ([here](#)).*

**If this is a joint pledge or contribution, please list the States or other stakeholders who are also making a joint contribution linked to this one.**

APNOR and APRRN are working collaboratively on this pledge (set out jointly in this document) and are working to identify other actors who may contribute to this pledge.

APNOR was established in 2018, on the recommendation of the Asia-Pacific Summit of Refugee, which convened 104 representatives from refugee-led organisations, networks and communities residing in 10 host countries in the Asia Pacific region, both virtually and in-person, to discuss and plan for greater refugee participation in policy- and decision-making. APNOR is a nascent, independent entity that is closely linked to the Global Refugee-led Network (GRN).

APRRN is a diverse civil society network, established in 2008, which aims to advance the rights of refugees and other people in need of protection across the Asia-Pacific region. APRRN now comprises over 400 members (mostly organisations) across 29 countries region-wide. APRRN's membership includes refugee-led organisations and leaders with lived refugee experience, including its current Chair.

**Details of the contribution:**

*Please provide a succinct description of the contribution (no more than 200 words). If your contribution is part of a joint contribution, please provide information specifically about your part of the contribution. Where relevant, please note the specific refugee populations and host countries and communities that the contribution is intended to benefit. Where possible, please also quantify the contribution (for example, approximate value of financial assistance, number of refugees to be included in national systems, or number of resettlement places to be provided).*

APRRN and APNOR pledge to review, strengthen, develop and implement internal network policies, procedures, strategies and practices which maximise our contributions, under a whole of society approach, to the co-creation of sustainable enabling environments for the leadership and meaningful participation in all decisions affecting their lives of people with living and lived refugee experience, forced migration experience, host communities and other affected people. In order to be meaningful, participation must be safe, inclusive, sustainable and impactful, and we will strive for continuous improvement in each of these areas, including ensuring that our policies, procedures, strategies and practices support the meaningful participation and leadership of women, youth, elders, LGBTIQ people, people with disability, people from ethnic and religious minorities and other groups including people in vulnerable situations. APRRN and APNOR commit to practicing mutual capacity-strengthening over the pledging period, sharing lessons learned, striving to model good practice, and to developing and reporting against progress indicators.

We further pledge to develop a joint position paper, informed by consultation, on ‘the co-creation, under a whole-of-society approach, of sustainable enabling environments for the leadership and meaningful participation of refugees and other affected persons’, and to advocating jointly on this with diverse actors.

**Has the contribution already been announced, in whole or in part? If yes, please provide further details.**

No.

*States and other stakeholders are encouraged to make contributions that are new or additional (which also could include strengthening and building upon good practices or ongoing commitments, particularly since 2016, when the development of the Global Compact on Refugees commenced).*

**Please indicate the anticipated timeframe for follow-up on this pledge/contribution.**

- First mid-term senior officials’ meeting (2021)
- Second Global Refugee Forum (2023)
- Other:

*The Global Compact on Refugees provides for follow-up on the implementation of contributions at subsequent Global Refugee Forums (which will take place every four years) and during the mid-term senior officials’ meetings (which will take place between forums).*