



The Geneva Office of the Friedrich-Ebert-Foundation and
Migrants Rights International
cordially invite you to a public panel discussion on

Human Rights Perspectives in the Global Forum on Migration and Development

The Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD) is an “initiative of the international community to address the migration and development interconnections in practical and action-oriented ways.” This process does not focus specifically on human rights, but the interconnections of course have numerous human rights implications.

The next GFMD meeting will take place in the Philippines in October 2008. In this parallel event, we would like to draw attention to Government and NGO perspectives of how human rights of migrants can be mainstreamed in the GFMD, realizable only through open participation and interventions of all relevant stakeholders in the process. National and regional experiences will be discussed to develop a holistic approach in tackling the issue of migration and development, as well as recommendations presented for strategic engagement in the upcoming meeting of the GFMD.

Following the presentations, national delegations, United Nations staff members, NGOs and National Human Rights Institutions are invited to discuss the topic with the panelists.

Tuesday, 16 September 2008, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Palais des Nations, Room XXII

Welcome and Moderation

- **Türkan Karakurt** - *Director, Geneva Office, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung*

Speakers

- **Ambassador Luis Alfonso de Alba** - *Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations*
- **William Gois** – *Regional Coordinator, Migrant Forum in Asia*
- **Michelle Le Voy** – *Director, Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants*
- **Pablo Ceriani** – *Migrants Rights Programme, Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales*

☞ Sandwiches and light refreshments will be provided ☞