

# Young Migrant and Refugee Women's Advisory Group Terms of Reference

#### **Purpose of the Alliance Advisory Group**

The Young Migrant and Refugee Women's Advisory Group (Alliance Advisory Group) will provide advice to the Alliance Council and, as appropriate, to the Alliance Members on issues as they relate to young migrant and refugee women.

#### **Objectives of the Alliance Advisory Group**

The Alliance Advisory Group will support specific projects under the Alliance work plan, in consultation with the Alliance Secretariat, with the objective of contributing positively to the Alliance's priorities and key directions.

The Alliance Advisory Group will be responsible for:

- Providing valuable insights on issues as they relate to young women;
- Informing policy and advocacy work, in consultation with the Alliance Council and the Alliance Secretariat; and
- Driving specific projects.

### **Membership of the Alliance Advisory Group**

The Alliance Advisory Group will comprise individuals identifying as women from migrant or refugee backgrounds aged 18-28 years.

Where possible, the Alliance Advisory Group should comprise a balanced membership with representation from each of the three constituency groups of the Alliance. Membership composition of the Alliance Advisory Group will ensure diversity of representation, including representation from rural and regional areas. As much as possible, representation will be sought from each jurisdiction.

The Alliance Advisory Group will comprise up to 10 members.

Appointments to the Alliance Advisory Group will be for two years.

The nomination process will involve both a public call for expressions of interest and nominations by Alliance Members of suitable individuals, either from within or outside the membership. The Alliance Council will consider all candidates and make the final decision on the membership of the Alliance Advisory Group.

The Alliance Advisory Group will include one representative from the Alliance Council.

The Alliance Advisory Group Chair will be appointed by the Alliance Council.

Members of the Alliance Advisory Group will be expected to have:

- A sound understanding of the issues relevant to migrant and refugee young women;
- Lived experience of issues affecting young migrant and refugee women, including issues compounding the quality of their engagement, participation and contribution;
- Demonstrated leadership skills;
- Experience or interest in policy and research;
- An ability to constructively participate in an advisory capacity and contribute to the work and key objectives of the Alliance;
- An ability to collaborate within a group, value diverse views and perspectives, and engage respectfully and constructively;
- An ability and willingness to provide feedback to, and engage with, the broader young migrant and refugee women's groups;
- A capacity to commit to the Group for the duration of the term, attend meetings and communicate via email;
- A commitment to participate in the Group-led projects.

## **Meetings of the Alliance Advisory Group**

The Alliance Advisory Group will hold meetings, as necessary and appropriate, with the support from the Alliance Secretariat.

The Alliance Secretariat may allocate funding to support the Alliance Advisory Group members' travel expenses for the purposes of meetings, subject to the availability of funds.