



# Open statement by 3M students University of Sassari

*“On this International Migrants Day, let us seize the opportunity of the recovery from the pandemic to implement the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, reimagine human mobility, enable migrants to reignite economies at home and abroad and build more inclusive and resilient societies.”*

(UN Secretary-General António Guterres)

This year's International Migrants Day theme is **Reimagining Human Mobility**.

2020 has been a challenging year for all human beings, with difficulties of unimaginable proportions for migrating world citizens and stateless persons.

We have grown used to the visual imagery spread by all media showing millions of migrant workers out on the road during the sudden lockdowns and losing their lives, while fleeing from their home countries.

Following lockdowns and restrictions to mobility, migrations have decreased. Not stopped, though.

**Today's challenges require new solutions and innovative approaches.**

**As 3M students** (Master's degree in Migration Management of the University of Sassari), **we are training hard and are eager to become part of the solution, to build alternative models, to reimagine policies, strategies and tools for a brighter future based on cross-cultural dialogue and support.**

The number of international migrants or people living in a country other than their country of birth in 2019 reached 272 million. An estimated 38 million were children among them. Approximately 31 per cent of the international migrants worldwide are in Asia, 30 per cent in Europe, 26 per cent in the Americas, 10 per cent in Africa and three per cent in Oceania.

Comprehensive and shared strategies are therefore not only necessary, but vital.

**We look forward to establishing connections with other international students, faculties and professionals and tread new paths to solutions together.**