

High Commissioner's Dialogue on Protection Challenges

Theme: Understanding and addressing root causes of displacement, 16-17 December 2015, Palais des Nations, Geneva

SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 16 December 2015

10:00-13:00 Plenary session (Room XIX) *The plenary session will be streamed live on www.unhcr.org/hc-dialogue2015*

- o Film
- o Introductory remarks by Mr. António Guterres, UN High Commissioner for Refugees
- o Keynote address by Professor Arjun Appadurai, Paulette Goddard Professor of Media, Culture and Communication, New York University

Panel: (Moderated by Mr. Volker Türk, Assistant High Commissioner (Protection), UNHCR)

- o H.E. Dr. Aisha Abdullahi, African Union Commissioner for Political Affairs
- o Mr. Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights
- o Mr. Carlos Lopes, Executive Secretary, UN Economic Commission for Africa
- o Mr. Peter Maurer, President, International Committee of the Red Cross
- o Ms. Leila Zerrougui, Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict

Discussion in plenary moderated by Mr. António Guterres, UN High Commissioner for Refugees

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13:00-14:00 Lunch break – Sandwiches and refreshments will be provided outside Room XIX

14:00-15:45 Debate on protection and prevention (Room XIX) - *The debate will be streamed live on www.unhcr.org/hc-dialogue2015*

Co-Chairs: Mr. António Guterres, UN High Commissioner for Refugees and Mr. Stephen O'Brien, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator

Speakers:

- o Dr. Chaloka Beyani, Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Internally Displaced Persons
- o Mr. Adama Dieng, Special Adviser of the UN Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide
- o Ms. Ameerah Haq, Vice-Chair of High-Level Independent Panel on Peace Operations
- o Mr. Pierre Krähenbühl, Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
- o Ms. Leila Muriithia, Refugee Consortium of Kenya and Board Member of the International Council of Voluntary Agencies
- o Mr. Volker Türk, Assistant High Commissioner (Protection), UNHCR

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16:00-18:00 Thematic sessions

Session 1 (Room XI) <i>Understanding the causes of conflict-related displacement, the potential of humanitarian action and the drivers of onward movement</i>	Session 2 (Room XXII) <i>Addressing 'new' root causes: urbanization, environmental degradation, food insecurity, water scarcity, natural hazards and climate change</i>	Session 3 (Room XXIII) <i>Unlocking protracted situations and finding solutions</i>
<p>Co-Chairs: Ms. Ameerah Haq, Vice-Chair, High-Level Independent Panel on Peace Operations and Mr. Volker Türk, Assistant High Commissioner (Protection), UNHCR</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ambassador Lamberto Zannier, Secretary General, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe – Dr. Pauline Riak, Executive Director, The Sudd Institute – Mr. Alejandro Alvarez, Team Leader, Rule of Law, Justice, Security and Human Rights, Bureau for Policy and Programme Support, United Nations Development Programme – Ms. Madeline Garlick, International Migration Initiative/Open Society Foundations Fellow, Migration Policy Institute Europe <p>Interpretation: E, F, R</p>	<p>Co-Chairs: Professor Walter Kälin, Envoy of the Chairmanship of the Nansen Initiative and Ms. Kelly Clements, Deputy High Commissioner, UNHCR</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ms. Jill Helke, Director of International Cooperation and Partnership Department, International Organization for Migration – Mr. Carlos Martin-Novella, Deputy Secretary, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change – Ms. Koko Warner, Head of the Environmental Migration, Social Vulnerability and Adaptation Section, United Nations University – Mr. Shukri Ahmed, Senior Economist, Global Information and Early Warning System, Food and Agriculture Organization <p>Interpretation: A, C, E, F</p>	<p>Co-Chairs: H.E Ambassador Rosemary McCarney, Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations Office at Geneva and Mr. George Okoth-Obbo, Assistant High Commissioner (Operations), UNHCR</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mr. Anders Henriksson, Principal Adviser for Policy Definition, European Commission's Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development – Mr. Xavier Devictor, Manager, Global Program on Forced Displacement, World Bank – Prof. Vitit Muntarbhorn, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok – Mr. Morten Kjaerum, Director, Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law <p>Interpretation: A, E, F, S</p>

18:15-19:30 Reception (Palais des Nations, Salle des Pas Perdus)

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09:00-10:00 Oral histories: First-hand insights (Room XI)

Moderated by Ms. Melissa Fleming, Head of Communications/Spokesperson for the High Commissioner, UNHCR

- Mr. Valentino Achak Deng, Executive Director and Co-Founder, VAD Foundation (protagonist of *What is the What*)
- Dr. Elazar Barkan, Professor of International and Public Affairs and Director of the Institute for the Study of Human Rights, Columbia University
- Ms. Karin Landgren, former Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General

Tea and coffee will be provided outside of the room

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10:15-13:00 Thematic sessions (resumed)

<u>Session 1 (Room XI)</u>	<u>Session 2 (Room XXII)</u>	<u>Session 3 (Room XXIII)</u>
<p><i>Understanding the causes of conflict-related displacement, the potential of humanitarian action and the drivers of onward movement (continued)</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Ms. Karin Landgren, former Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General– Mr. Pierre Gentile, Head of the Central Tracing Agency and Protection Division, International Committee of the Red Cross– Mr. Dan Smith, Director, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute– Mr. Tonderai Chikuhwa, Team Leader for Programmes, Office of the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General– Mr. Moez Masoud, Faculty of Divinity, University of Cambridge <p>Interpretation: A, E, F, R</p>	<p><i>Addressing 'new' root causes: urbanization, environmental degradation, food insecurity, water scarcity, natural hazards and climate change (continued)</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Mr. Alfredo Zamudio, Director, Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre– Prof. Elizabeth Ferris, Senior Fellow Foreign Policy, Brookings Institution– Mr. Rezaul Karim Chowdhury, Executive Director, Coastal Association for Social Transformation Trust, Bangladesh– Prof. Jane McAdam, Scientia Professor of Law and Director, Andrew & Renata Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law, University of New South Wales <p>Interpretation: C, E, F</p>	<p><i>Unlocking protracted situations and finding solutions(continued)</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Mr. Damian Lilly, Senior Protection Coordinator, United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East– Ms. Iris Marin, Deputy Director, Unit for Comprehensive Support and Reparation to Victims, Colombia– Ms. Bronwen Manby, Visiting Fellow, Centre for the Study of Human Rights, London School of Economics and Political Science– Mr. Berk Baran, Deputy Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations Office at Geneva <p>Interpretation: A, E, F, S</p>

13:30-14:45 As deadly as conflict: criminal violence and its impact on displacement in Central America (Room XI)

Moderated by Ms. Renata Dubini, Director, Regional Bureau for the Americas, UNHCR

- Ms. Mary Giovagnoli, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Immigration Policy, United States Department of Homeland Security
- Dr. David Cantor, Director, Refugee Law Initiative, University of London
- Ms. Eliana Rueda, Profiling Advisor, Joint IDP Profiling Service

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15:00-18:00 Plenary session (XIX) *The plenary session will be streamed live on www.unhcr.org/hc-dialogue2015*

- Summaries of the thematic sessions
- Discussion resumes in plenary, focusing on suggestions and priorities for follow-up

Closing

Summing up by Mr. António Guterres, UN High Commissioner for Refugees

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