

Forced Displacement and Refugee Protection

24 April 2025, 15:00 – 17:30, Trusteeship Council Chamber, UNHQ

DRAFT PROGRAMME

| 15:00-15:25 | Opening |
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| | H.E. Mr. Bob Rae, President of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) |
| | Mr. Filippo Grandi, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) |
| | H.E. Ms. Amina J. Mohammed, United Nations Deputy Secretary- General (TBC) |
| 15:25-16:15 | Panel 1: Success Stories in Refugee Hosting and Integration |
| | Ms. Leah Zamore, Senior Fellow and Director of Global Policy Engagement, Zolberg Institute on Migration and Mobility (moderator) |
| | Ms. Juliana Bustamante, Director, Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Colombia |
| | Mr. Pablo Moreno, Head, Global Corporate Affairs, Mabe Global |
| | Mr. Rez Gardi, Co-Managing Director, Refugee Seeking Equal Access at the Table (R-SEAT) |
| | Guiding Questions |
| | What are effective approaches to enabling access to education, work and healthcare promote self-reliance? |
| | How to balance national development priorities with refugee integration? |
| | How does refugee inclusion benefit local and national economies? |
| | Interactive Discussion |
| 16:15–16:20 | Video message from UNHCR highlighting refugee leadership |

16:20-17:10 Panel 2: Solidarity and Sustainable Approaches Ms. Leah Zamore, Senior Fellow and Director of Global Policy Engagement, Zolberg Institute on Migration and Mobility (moderator) Ambassador Daman Hamar, Secretary General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Islamic Republic of Mauritania TBD Mr. Bassel Ramli, Co-founder, Jumpstart Refugee Talent **Guiding Questions** How can humanitarian assistance respond to the needs of refugees and host communities? and how can donors support more sustainable approaches that recognize the increasingly protracted nature of refugee situations? How can longer term development investments, such as building infrastructure and creating jobs, integrate refugees into national economies? What role do initiatives such as UNHCR Sustainable Programming Approach, as well as IFI instruments such as the Global Concessional Financing Facility and the IDA Window for Refugees and Host Communities play in this process? What strategies can be implemented to expand resettlement programs and complementary pathways to reduce the burden on host countries in the Global South? **Interactive Discussion** 17:10-17:30 Closing Mr. Filippo Grandi, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

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