

“Towards a global compact on refugees”

Thematic discussion 1

Past and current burden- and responsibility-sharing arrangements

10 July 2017, Room XVII, Palais des Nations, Geneva

Agenda

- 10:00 – 10.15 Welcome and introduction by the co-chairs:
- His Excellency, Mr. Pedro Afonso Comissário, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Mozambique to the United Nations Office at Geneva
 - Mr. Volker Türk, Assistant High Commissioner for Protection
- 10.15 – 13.00 PANEL AND DISCUSSION ON CURRENT BURDEN- AND RESPONSIBILITY-SHARING ARRANGEMENTS
- Panel presentations:
- Mr. Mouin Merhebi, State Minister for the Affairs of the Displaced, Lebanon
 - Dr. Imran Zeb, Chief Commissioner for Afghan Refugees, Pakistan
 - Her Excellency, Ms. Maria Nazareth Farani Azevêdo, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Brazil to the United Nations Office at Geneva
 - Ambassador Mohamed Abdi Affey, UNHCR Special Envoy on the Somali Refugee Situation
- Discussion on the following examples:
- Syria refugee response
 - Solutions Strategy for Afghan Refugees to Support Voluntary Repatriation, Sustainable Reintegration and Assistance to Host Countries
 - Brazil Plan of Action
 - Response for Somali refugees including the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) Special Summit on Protection and Durable Solutions for Somali Refugees and Reintegration of Returnees in Somalia and the London roundtable on supporting refugees and their host communities in the Horn and East Africa
- 13.30 – 15.00 SIDE EVENT ON PAST EXAMPLES OF BURDEN- AND RESPONSIBILITY-SHARING
- Welcome and introduction by the chair:
- Mr. Volker Türk, Assistant High Commissioner for Protection

Panel presentations:

- Mr. Kamel Morjane, former Minister for Foreign Affairs, Tunisia
- Ms. Irene Khan, Director-General, International Development Law Organization
- Dr. Penelope Mathew, Dean and Head of Law School, Griffith University
- Mr. José Riera-Cézanne, Adjunct Professor, Department of International Law and Human Rights, University for Peace

Discussion on the following examples:

- Comprehensive Plan of Action for Indochinese Refugees (CPA)
- International Conference on Central American Refugees (CIREFCA)
- Humanitarian Evacuation Programme/Humanitarian Transfer Programme (HEP/HTP) (Kosovo (S/RES/1244 (1999)))

15.00 – 17.00

PANEL AND DISCUSSION ON CURRENT BURDEN- AND RESPONSIBILITY-SHARING ARRANGEMENTS (CONT.)

Continued discussion on the following examples:

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17.00 – 18.00

Summary panel and conclusions (co-chairs and plenary panellists)

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