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# PERSPECTIVES ON MIGRATION: DISPLACEMENT AND MARGINALIZATION, INCLUSION AND JUSTICE

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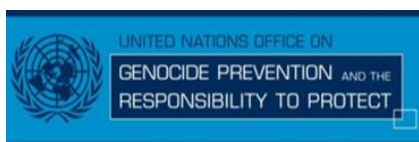
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## PROGRAM — OVERVIEW

### *Morning Session*

9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

### *Lunch break*

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

### *Afternoon Session`*

1:30 pm – 5:55 pm

### *Reception and Key Note Speech with hors d'oeuvres*

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

*Location To Be Confirmed*

## MORNING SESSION

9:00 – 9:30 am

### Welcome and Opening Remarks

*Purpose: To speak to the framing of the event.*

- **Ms. Amina J. Mohammed**, Deputy Secretary-General, United Nations
- **Mr. Adama Dieng**, Under-Secretary-General and United Nations Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide
- **H.E. Mr. Juan Jose Gómez Camacho**, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations (TBC)
- **Rev. Dr. Olav Fykse Tveit**, General Secretary, World Council of Churches
- **Rev. Dr. Susan Henry-Crowe**, General Secretary of the General Board of Church and Society of the United Methodist Board
- **Mr. Rudelmar Bueno de Faria**, General Secretary, ACT Alliance

9:30 – 10:15 am

### Contextualizing and Framing: A Moderated Conversation

*Exploration of the importance of the topic and provides the foundations of our conversation; this is a complex issue irreducible to just one topic.*

*Moderator: Dr. Azza Karam, Senior Advisor on Culture, UNFPA and Coordinator, UN Inter-Agency Task Force for Engagement with Faith-based Organizations*

*The Multiple Root Causes of Migration, Forced Displacement, and the Resulting Political Crisis: Context and Framework for a Global Vision of Human Solidarity*

- **Dr. Ganoune Diop**, Director of Public Affairs, General Conference of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church and Secretary General, International Religious Liberty Association
- **Mr. Rudelmar Bueno de Faria**, General Secretary, ACT Alliance

10:15 – 10:30 am Q&R and Plenary Discussion

10:30 – 10:45 am **BREAK**

10:45 – 12:00 pm Moral and Ethical Dimensions of Forced Migration

*Objective: What moral and ethical dimensions should be considered crucial in relation to forced migration and displacement? How should gender, concerns for security, race, ethnicity, anecdotal evidence, and dignity be considered in this context?*

*Moderator: Rev. Dr. Katalina Tahaafe Williams, Program Executive, Mission from the Margins, World Council of Churches*

- **Ms. Sana Mustafa**, Founding Member, The Network For Refugee Voices
- **Dr. Lester Edwin Ruiz**, Advisor, Churches Witnessing With Migrants, and Senior Director of Accreditation and Institutional Evaluation, Association of Theological Schools
- **Rev. Andras Corban-Arthen**, President of the European Congress of Ethnic Religions and Trustee, Parliament of the World's Religions
- **Ms. Elizabeta Kitanovic**, Executive Secretary for Human Rights, Conference of European Churches

Formal Respondent: **H.E. Mr. Sacha Sergio Llorentty Solíz**, Permanent Representative of Bolivia to the United Nations (TBC)

12:00 – 12:20 pm Q&R and Plenary Discussions

12:20 – 01:20 pm **LUNCH BREAK (NOT PROVIDED BY CO-ORGANIZERS)**

## AFTERNOON SESSION

01:30 – 03:00 pm                      Rule of Law and Political Perspectives

*Objective: What makes for a human-rights base, peoples centered and rule-of-law based global compact? What principled content remains to be added to the Global Compacts?*

*Moderator: **Rev. Dr. Liberato Bautista**, Assistant General Secretary for UN and International Affairs and Main UN Representative, General Board of Church and Society of the United Methodist Church*

- **Mr. Martin Mauthe-Käter**, Counsellor, Migration and Sustainable Development, European Union Delegation to the United Nations
- **H.E. Dr. Agshin Mehdiyev**, Permanent Observer of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation to the United Nations in New York
- **Ms. Eni Lestari Andayani Adi**, Chairperson, International Migrants Alliance
- **Dr. Afe Adogame**, Senior Lecturer in World Christianity & Religious Studies at the Princeton Theology Seminary
- **Mr. Vinicius Pinheiro**, Director, International Labor Organization New York Office, Special Representative to the United Nations

03:05 – 03:30 pm                      Q&R and Plenary Discussions

03:30 – 03:45 pm                      **BREAK**

03:45 – 05:15 pm                      Development, Humanitarian, and Human Rights Perspectives

*Objective: Examine best practice responses to migration, from both a humanitarian and human rights perspective. Issues include criminalization, securitization, gender-based violence, trafficking, "management of migration."*

*Moderator: **Ms. Simona Cruciani**, Political Affairs Officer, UN Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect*

- **Dr. Jonathan Duffy**, President, Adventist Development Relief Agency International
- **Mr. Christian Wolff**, Programme Manager for Migration and Displacement, ACT Alliance
- **Dr. PL de Silva**, Director, Institute of Strategic Studies and Democracy, Malta

- **Mr. Jason Cone**, the Executive Director, Médecins Sans Frontières USA (MSF-USA)
- **Ms. Verena Knaus**, Senior Policy Advisor, United Nation’s Children Fund (UNICEF)

Formal Respondent: **Mr. Matteo Pasquali**, Deputy Director, UN Office on Drugs and Crime, New York Office

05:10 – 05:45 pm      Q&R and Plenary Discussions

05:45 – 05:55 pm      Symposium Recap and Closing Remarks

*Objective: Wrap up of discussion and content summary*

- **Dr. Azza Karam**, Senior Advisor on Culture, UNFPA and Coordinator, UN Inter-Agency Task Force for Engagement with Faith-based Organizations
- **Dr. Ganoune Diop**, Director of Public Affairs, General Conference of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church and Secretary General, International Religious Liberty Association

6:00 - 7:00 pm      **RECEPTION**

Introduction: **Rev. Douglas Leonard**, Program Executive and Representative to the United Nations in New York, World Council of Churches

*Keynote Speech: "Ecumenical Vision"*

**Rev. Dr. Olav Fykse Tveit**, General Secretary of the World Council of Churches