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How Can We Best Support Refugees Who are Fleeing Tragedy & Armed Conflict?

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1PM - 3:30PM, EDT

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Whether fleeing from tragedy and armed conflict or the impacts of climate change, refugees are facing immense hardship while seeking safety and a fresh start for a better life in new countries and communities. They represent human resources, which should be welcomed and can help any nation in remarkable ways. These developments present questions for host countries and a growing need for resources to support these populations. Our dialogue will seek to understand how the international community can support them during these times of crises and beyond to achieve their sustainable future.

Welcome & Moderator

- Ms. Margo LaZaro, President & Chair of the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development-NY, Director of UN Relations for Global Family, Co-Founder/CSO of the SDG Impact Awards Community, Convenor of the Urban Cluster, Coalition Partner of C4UNWN and Board Member of the Soroptimist International Metro NY Chapter

Opening Reflections

- Ms. Beverly Bucur, Director of Advocacy for Soroptimist International and Advisory Board of South Suburban Family Shelter

Supportive Initiatives & Reflections

- Dr. Marissa Quie, Fellow and Director of Studies in Politics, Lucy Cavendish College, University of Cambridge, College Lecturer and Director of Studies in Politics, Magdalene College, University of Cambridge. Former Advisor to the Afghanistan Peace and Reintegration Program
- Dr. Nina Smart, Founder of SWF International, Coordinator of the Migration Project of Romania - Soroptimist International President's Appeal, Author of Wild Flower - The True Story of a Romanian Girl in Africa, Human Rights Activist
- Dr. Mariet Verhoef-Cohen, President of Women for Water Partnership, Immediate Past President of Soroptimist International, Officer in the Order of Orange Nassau - by his Majesty King Willem Alexander of the Netherlands
- Ms. Sara Assefi, Founder of Saihya, Afghan-American Artist and Designer
- Ms. Mary Muia, UN Environment Representative of Soroptimist International in Nairobi, Kenya, Public Health and Social Entrepreneur
- Ms. Ayushi Kundu, Human Rights Advocate at the Calcutta High Court, India & Soroptimist International
- Dr. Andrise Bass, BSCJ, MBA, PhD, President and Founder of Humanitarian Focus Foundation, Vice President of ASPAFrique,
- Prof. Barbara Pozzo, Full Professor of Comparative Private Law Director of the Department of Law, Economics and Cultures, Coordinator of the Doctorate in Law and Human Sciences UNESCO Chair - Gender Equality and Women's Rights in the Multicultural Society

Overview & C4UNWN

- Mr. Daniel Perell, Representative to the UN for the Baha'i International Community and Co-Chair, Steering Committee of the Coalition for the UN We Need

Interactive Dialogue Exchange

Partners: NGO Committee on Sustainable Development-NY, PVBLIC Foundation, Baha'i International Community, Coalition for the UN We Need, SDG Relief Fund, Together First, SDG Impact Awards Community, Global Family, Soroptimist International, World Federalist Movement-Canada, Humanitarian Focus Foundation, NGO Major Group Urban Cluster Salvation Army International Social Justice Commission, Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization, COVIDxNOW, Empower-a-Billion Women-EBW, Debate for Peace, Huairou Commission, Youth for a Better World:/Montessori Model UN, Youth Impact! Forum, General Assembly of Partners, Global Family for Love & Peace, ICW, GNEC, CoNGO, and UNA-USA Council of Organizations.

