

Global Responsibility Sharing for Refugees: A New International Framework

Tuesday, 24 May 2016 | 09:00 – 10:30 | Rumeli Hall 4



There are currently 60 million refugees and displaced persons in the world and all estimates suggest the number is only going to increase in the years to come. The unprecedented flow of refugees and migrants crossing into Europe illustrates how present-day conflicts are often global in nature and indiscriminate in their ramifications.

With its starting point in the refugee and migrant situation in Europe, the side event will examine the current management of refugee and migrant movements and ask how we can avoid an additional undermining of solidarity and set an end to the dangerous precedent which European discord sets for other refugee hosting countries and regions. The event will proceed to discuss what a new global framework of responsibility sharing could look like – a global framework of responsibility sharing that is predictable and fair.

The side event will take point of departure in Core Responsibility Three, *Leave No One Behind*, and also speak to Core Responsibility Two and Four.

Panelists

- Andreas Kamm, Secretary General, Danish Refugee Council
- Catherine Woollard, Secretary General, European Council on Refugees and Exile (ECRE)
- Andrew Thompson, Senior Fellow at Centre for International Governance Innovation and adjunct assistant professor of Political Science at the University of Waterloo, and Jacqueline Lopour, Research Associate at Centre for International Governance Innovation (co-presenters)
- Chrysanthi Protogerou, Director, Greek Council for Refugees

Moderator

- Paul Heinbecker, Distinguished Fellow at the Centre for International Governance Innovation, and former permanent representative of Canada to the UN.

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