

**First thematic discussion leading to
the development of the global compact on refugees**

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

Organizational note

Speaking arrangements

- To encourage interactive exchanges, participants are requested not to read out prepared statements. There will not be a formal list of speakers or rules of procedure.
- Participants are asked to limit their interventions to 3 minutes.

Participation and seating

- In order to help finalize seating arrangements, registration for attendance at the meeting will close on Monday, 3 July 2017. Delegations are reminded to confirm their participation by writing to hqgovern@unhcr.org.
- Participants who are not accredited with the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG) (i.e. who do not possess a UNOG identification badge enabling access to the Palais des Nations) may request a visitor's badge by writing to hqgovern@unhcr.org.
- In the conference room, each delegation will be allocated one seat at the desk and one seat behind.
- As seating will be limited, UNHCR has made arrangements for participants to follow the discussion via the webcast in English on UN Web TV (webtv.un.org/).
- Inquiries regarding registration for invited non-governmental organizations should be directed to interagency@unhcr.org.

Interpretation and documentation

- During the meeting, participants may speak in either English or French. Interpretation will be provided in these two languages throughout the day.
- Documentation will be provided in English and French only and will be made available on the thematic discussions webpage (see www.unhcr.org/thematicdiscussions).

Contributions to the thematic discussions

- UNHCR has made arrangements for participants to contribute short discussion papers to be posted on the thematic discussions webpage (see www.unhcr.org/writtencontributions). Contributions should be attributed to a source (e.g. government, organization or individual) and preferably written in English or French.

Media during thematic discussions

- No individual photographs or video recordings are allowed in the conference room, and security will be instructed to strictly enforce this rule.
- Join the conversation online and follow this thematic discussion on social media:
 - * Use the lead hashtags - #RefugeeCompact, #WithRefugees
 - * Follow us on the Twitter and Instagram accounts: @Refugees
 - Facebook: www.facebook.com/unhcr
 - YouTube: www.youtube.com/unhcr