

FINAL AGENDA
2009 ANNUAL TRIPARTITE CONSULTATIONS ON RESETTLEMENT
Geneva: 30 June – 2 July 2009
Palais des Nations, Building E - Conference Room XXI

Agenda Item	Format	Timing
DAY 1 (30 June 2009) – Results, Updates and Planning		
Registration and welcome coffee will be provided*		8:15 – 9:00
<p>1. <u>Opening Statements</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Chair - Matthew Coats (Head of Immigration, UK Border Agency) ➤ UNHCR – Erika Feller (Assistant High Commissioner) ➤ NGO Focal Point - Donna Covey (Chief Executive, British Refugee Council) 	Plenary	9:00 – 9:30
<p>2. <u>Results of 2008-2009 and Updates</u> (Vincent Cochetel, Head of Resettlement Service, UNHCR)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Results of resettlement operations 2008-09 ➤ Resettlement service work plan and priorities for 2009 - 2010 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Update on Palestinian refugees ex-Iraq ○ The Emergency Transit Centre: operational plan ➤ Projected Global Resettlement Needs in 2010 and Q&A <p>UNHCR will issue the GNR document on 12.06.2009. Questions regarding this document should be sent ahead of the meeting to the UK Chair by 23.06.2009.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Tour de Table <p>States should update only where there are developments since February 2009 and additional planning for 2009-2010.</p>	Plenary	9:30 – 10:45
Break (coffee will be provided)		10:45 - 11:00
<p>3. <u>ATCR 2008 Status Report</u> (Matthew Coats, UK Chair)</p>		11:00-

<p>➤ Minutes of the 2008 ATCR and Status Report on the Implementation of Recommendations made since ATCR 2008</p> <p>Presentations by representatives of States, NGOs and UNHCR summarizing the results.</p> <p>Questions and Answers, Discussion.</p>		11:30
<p>4. <u>Regional Bureau Discussions</u> (UNHCR Bureau Directors and Staff)</p> <p>Facilitator: Torsten Moritz (CCME)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asia and the Pacific • Middle East and North Africa 	Plenary	11:30 – 12:15
Lunch (not provided)		12:15 – 14:00
<p>5. <u>Regional Bureau Discussions continued</u> (UNHCR Bureau Directors and Staff)</p> <p>Facilitator: Torsten Moritz (CCME)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Americas • Europe • Africa <p>To include USA feedback on pilot mission to Chad</p>	Plenary	14:00 – 14:50
JOINT SESSIONS WITH NGO CONSULTATION DELEGATES		
<p>6. <u>Joint NGO Consultations sessions</u></p> <p>The concurrent NGO Consultations meeting gives ATCR delegates the opportunity to involve NGOs who would otherwise not attend ATCR meetings, including UNHCR’s NGO Implementing Partners. Two of the sessions will be run by facilitators from the NGO Consultations. The third will be facilitated by the ATCR NGO focal point.</p> <p>ATCR and NGO consultations delegates may choose which session they wish to attend. The sessions continue after the break and delegates may stay in the same groups or move to other break out groups.</p>	Break out	15:00 - 16:25

<p>a) <u>Displacement in Urban settings</u> (Room XIX)</p> <p>With UNHCR nearing completion of a new policy on persons of concern in urban settings and the High Commissioner’s Dialogue focusing on this subject at the end of the year, this double-session will focus on elaborating <u>good practice and rights-based recommendations</u> in four subject areas: in session 1, <i>access to services</i> and <i>outreach and identification of the most vulnerable</i>; in session 2, <i>livelihoods</i> and <i>mobility opportunities and strategies</i>. Given the complexity of issues, limits of time, and the commitment to identify distinct practices and recommendations, the sessions will focus specifically on the situation of <u>refugees and asylum seekers</u> in urban settings. After an introduction to briefly sketch the subject of urban refugees and the trajectory of recent UNHCR policy work, including NGO engagement, presenters will frame the four subjects for discussion by offering their practical experience, an example of good practice, and two recommendations.</p> <p>Facilitator: John Bingham, International Catholic Migration Commission</p> <p>Speakers: George Okoth-Obbo, Director, Division of International Protection Services James Thomson, National Council of Churches in Australia</p> <p>Presenters: Duncan Breen, Consortium for Refugees and Migrants in South Africa Geraldine Chatelard, Consultant to International Catholic Migration Commission Jordan Janet Ferreira, Caritas Ecuador Gaella Roudy-Fraser, Senior Livelihoods Officer, UNHCR Rufino Seva, COERR Bangkok Refugee Center</p> <p>b) <u>Protracted Refugee Situations</u> (Room XXII)</p> <p>The High Commissioner’s Dialogue on Protection Challenges in December 2008 provided a powerful forum for all stakeholders to discuss Protracted Refugee Situations. The consultations with NGOs offer the possibility to further those discussions, debating key aspects of the protracted refugee situations and in the process sharing experience, identifying policy and operational gaps and recommending concrete steps in addressing the most pressing needs of refugees in protracted situations.</p> <p>Facilitator: Manisha Thomas, International Council of</p>		
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<p>Voluntary Agencies</p> <p>Speakers: Arnauld Akodjenou, Director, Division of Operational Services, UNHCR Emily Arnold-Fernandez, Asylum Access Mary Purkey, Canadian Council for Refugees</p> <p>Group discussions: Eileen Pittaway, University New South Wales Miodrag Shreshta, Group 484 Mary Joy Pigozzi, Academy for Educational Development Karina Sarmiento, Asylum Access</p> <p>c) <u>Durable solutions: NGOs and Resettlement</u> (Room XXIII)</p> <p>Effective partnerships in resettlement with all stakeholders, in particular with Governments, NGOs and International Organizations are key to successful protection delivery. This session will discuss opportunities for greater involvement of NGOs in resettlement activities, focusing on the roles of UNHCR's Implementing Partners in the countries of asylum in identifying refugees in need of resettlement and in providing support to vulnerable refugees. Further, the session will explore the mechanism to enhance information sharing on individual cases between NGOs in countries of asylum and Resettlement States and NGOs of receiving end, to ensure coherent and appropriate assistance are provided to refugees throughout the resettlement process.</p> <p>Facilitator: Alistair Griggs (British Refugee Council)</p> <p>Speakers: Anne Mwangi-Wambugu, HIAS Kenya Annette Bombeke, ECRE Jennifer Ashton, UNHCR</p>		
Break*		16:25 – 16:35
<p>7. Continued Joint Sessions with NGO Consultations</p> <p>a) <u>Displacement in Urban settings - continued</u> (Room XIX)</p> <p>b) <u>Protracted Refugee Situations – continued</u> (Room XXII)</p> <p>Participants of this session will be divided in four working groups to identify key operational and policy gaps, highlight good practices and make recommendations.</p> <p>d) <u>Security and Safety of Staff</u></p>	Break out	16:35 – 18:00

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<p>9. Breakout groups around the theme of Managing expectations:</p> <p>A. <u>Managing expectations of refugees: the Nepal experience</u></p> <p>(Room XXI)</p> <p>This break up session will provide an outline and experiences of Resettlement Countries, UNHCR and NGOs in managing expectations of refugees. The focus of the session will be to identify models and tools states, NGOs and UNHCR have used to identify and systems they have developed to respond to such expectations</p> <p>This will include a presentation of good practices undertaken by UNHCR in Nepal Presenter: Rachel Demas (UNHCR)</p> <p>Co - facilitators: Qemajl Murati (New Zealand) and Anastasia Brown (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops)</p> <p>B. <u>Iraqi refugees: expectation management of refugees, States, NGOs and civil society</u></p> <p>(Room XXII)</p> <p>This breakout session aims to provide a forum for Resettlement Countries, NGOs, IGOs, and UNHCR to express the challenges related to expectations of Iraqi refugees approved for resettlement to a third country. Through presentations and open discussion, the session will explore whether the Iraqi caseload is unique with regard to its expectations in relation to resettlement, the extent to which these expectations can be met in the current economic climate, and the impact of the clash in expectations between refugee and host community. A variety of approaches to addressing this issue will be explored, and recommendations provided.</p> <p>Co- facilitators: Pindie Stephen (IOM) and Jane Bloom (ICMC)</p> <p>Presenters: David John (IOM) Frauke Riller (UNHCR) on the findings of UNHCR’s three month project in Beirut looking into expectation management for Iraqi refugees</p> <p>C. <u>Managing expectations of the receiving community in resettlement countries</u></p>	Breakout	10:00 – 12:00

<p>(Room XXIII)</p> <p>All sectors - public institutions/authorities and the civil society/NGOs have a responsibility to work in close co-operation to manage expectations and raise awareness in the receiving community.</p> <p>The aim of the session is to discuss and to elaborate further work on the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - how to ensure that awareness raising and managing expectations of the local community are constant and sustainable processes and not only ad hoc campaigns, and; - how to ensure that information given is balanced and realistic; and minimize the difficulties in the integration process. <p>Co- facilitators: Arja Kekkonen (Finland) and Ann-Charlotte Siren-Borrego (Finnish Red Cross)</p> <p>Presenter: Fikre Tsehai (Canadian Lutheran World Relief)</p> <p><i>Breakout groups A, B & C identify gaps, needs and next steps</i></p>		
<p>Lunch (not provided)</p>		<p>12:00 – 14:00</p>
<p>10. Break out groups (A,B & C) to report back on key themes and next steps of each session</p> <p>Introduction of afternoon Breakout groups</p>	<p>Plenary</p>	<p>14:00 – 14:30</p>
<p>11. Breakout groups:</p> <p>D. <u>Impact of economic crisis on resettlement - current situation and beyond 2009: Challenges and Solutions</u></p> <p>(Room XXI)</p> <p>This session will start with an overview of an IRC report on the impact of the economic crisis on Iraqi refugees and on the wider US resettlement system. Participants will be invited to discuss the impact of the crisis on their own countries' resettlement schemes. We will together identify practical steps to minimize the negative impact of the economic climate on resettlement - including pre-arrival aspects and on successful integration</p> <p>Co-facilitators: Robert Carey (International Rescue Committee) and Sarah Swash (UK Border Agency)</p> <p>E. <u>Building the integration capacity, policies and programs</u></p>	<p>Breakout</p>	<p>14:30 – 16:30</p>

<p><u>of resettlement countries through partnerships between government and non government organisations, refugee communities and civil society</u></p> <p>(Room XXII)</p> <p>This break out session aims to explore and strengthen ideas for building integration; to discuss strategies and the potential for stronger partnerships between government and non government organisations; to establish some agreed principles, objectives and next steps that can help promote such partnerships in our respective countries; and to explore how ideas and expertise can be shared across resettlement countries.</p> <p>Co-facilitators: Judith O'Neill (Department of Immigration and Citizenship, Australia) and Paris Aristotle (Victorian Foundation for the Survivors of Torture, Australia)</p> <p>F. <u>Measuring resettlement outcomes by looking at integration inputs and indicators</u></p> <p>(Room XXIII)</p> <p>A discussion of the proposals in UNHCR's paper on integration indicators issued at the February WGR (which can be found on the ATCR website)</p> <p>Co -facilitators: David Siegel (USA) and Helen Mugeridge (British Refugee Council)</p> <p>Presenter: Alistair Griggs (British Refugee Council)</p> <p><i>Breakout groups D, E & F identify gaps, needs and next steps</i></p>	<p>Breakout</p>	
<p>12. Break out groups (D, E,& F) to report back on key themes and next steps of each session</p>	<p>Plenary</p>	<p>16:30-17:00</p>
<p>13. <u>Adoption of Twinning Guidelines and future registering of twinning arrangements</u> (Sarah Swash, UK Border Agency)</p>	<p>Plenary</p>	<p>17:00-17:20</p>
<p>Reception hosted by the UK – 8th Floor Restaurant and Terrace – Building A <i>An invitation to the reception will be sent separately</i></p>		<p>17:30 – 19:00</p>

DAY 3 (2 July 2009) – Looking forward		
Welcome coffee will be provided		8:15-9:00
<p>14. <u>Protracted Refugee Situations</u> (Vincent Cochetel, UNHCR)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Update by UNHCR on developments since June 2008 ATCR and Questions & Answers <p>Presenter: UNHCR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Joint presentation by UNHCR and NGO on the multi-functional mission to Sudan <p>Presenters: Philippa Candler (UNHCR) and Melika Sheikh-Eldin (AMES)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Perspective of a host Government: Speaker from the Government of Iran, a country hosting a PRS refugee group. Question and Answer 	Plenary	9:00 – 10:30
Break (coffee will be provided)		10:30- 10:50
<p>15. <u>Follow up on Outstanding 2008 Action Items</u> (Matthew Coats, UK Chair)</p>	Plenary	10:50 – 11:20
<p>16. <u>Planning for 2010</u> (Matthew Coats, UK Chair)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Closing remarks from UK Chair, UNHCR and NGO Focal Point ➤ Presentation by Sweden, incoming Chair of ATCR 	Plenary	11:20- 12:00
<p>17. Closing remarks by Antonio Guterres, the High Commissioner for Refugees</p>	Plenary	12:00

* Please note that unless indicated, lunch and coffee break will not be catered. There is a coffee shop on the first floor close to the ATCR plenary room.

Interpretation on Day 1 and 3 will be available in English, French and Spanish with the exception of Agenda item 6 and 7 - The NGO consultations sessions where interpretation will be available in English and French.