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“ No one is born hating another person because of the color of his skin, or his background, or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love, for love comes more naturally to the human heart.

- Nelson Mandela, *Long Walk To Freedom*, 1994.

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“ But one message that I want to already pass today as we discuss education, is that we should not resign ourselves to the narrative that it is impossible to solve this huge global problem of forced displacement. I say this because every day in my travels around the world, I see that there is a lot of solidarity for people that are fleeing from war, persecution, discrimination and violence - for refugees and the displaced. ”

- UNHCR High Commissioner.



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Mr. Valentin Tapsoba, Director, UNHCR Regional Bureau for Southern Africa

Nearly 71 million people are now forcibly displaced around the world. More than a third of the world's forcibly displaced people are in Africa, including 6.3 million refugees. Close to 70 percent of African migration is intra-African. While we are witnessing growing closure and intolerance in some parts of the world, there is also an outstanding fact: African hospitality towards refugees is heartfelt, tangible and longstanding. African countries came together 50 years ago to enshrine these principles in the Organization of the African Union Convention, a truly enlightened document that continues to represent one of the most progressive approaches to refugee protection in the world. Despite the continent's own social, economic, climatic and security challenges, Africa's governments and people have kept borders, doors and hearts open to millions in need, with Uganda, Sudan and Ethiopia among the top ten refugee-hosting countries, globally.

Today, multilateralism is under stress. Trust amongst the UN Member States is low, and agreement on the pressing issues of the day is elusive. However, the United Nations and the accompanying multilateral system depend on more than heads of state and governments. The UN Charter begins, resoundingly, with a declaration by 'we the peoples'. In a time of global fragmentation, but also one of incredible connectedness and globalization, the actions and voices of people, are needed more than ever.

The **Global Compact on Refugees**, adopted by the UN Member States in 2018, marked a milestone and opportunity to reinvigorate multilateral cooperation and is bringing in a transformation to the way we have been dealing with forced displacement situations. The Compact intends to broaden the base of support for refugees and make it more predictable, to accelerate the shift away from outdated camp-based response models; to drive refugee inclusion in local communities; to mobilize development resources, civil society and the private sector; and to refocus attention on solutions.

Partnerships are, without any doubt in UNHCR's DNA, and NGOs are our lifeblood. Together, we combine to drive the largest and most dependable response to refugee crises around the world. But, if we are to truly succeed in bringing in innovative and sustainable solutions to refugee situations through a new way of working, we need a "whole-of-international-community" multi-stakeholder involvement of NGOs, civil society, donors, governments, the private sector and refugees, themselves.

This is **UNHCR's first-ever regional NGO and Multi-stakeholder Consultations in Africa**, and it is taking place under the auspices of the newly established Regional Bureau for Southern Africa. Starting this year, UNHCR is moving closer to the point of delivery, through decentralization and regionalization that places resources, early warning mechanisms and decision-making power closer to the field.

This Consultation will seek to encourage lively and targeted discussions amongst **participants that represent 16 countries:** Angola, Botswana, Comoros, the Kingdom of eSwatini, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and the Republic of Congo. The Consultations seek to bring together NGOs, advocates, businesses, professors, artists, media and refugees in a true coalition. One of the key outcomes of the Consultations is to explore how **multi-partnerships at the regional and national levels** can contribute to the implementation of the Global Compact on Refugees. This momentum should also be capitalized to establish a regional platform to end statelessness through regional bodies. Together these partnerships have the potential to be the building blocks for a vibrant, self-assertive region with peace, security and socio-economic development to put an end to displacement.

Nelson Mandela, Madiba, continues to inspire people committed to justice and righteousness the world over. It is fitting, and humbling, to co-organize this event with the Nelson Mandela Foundation.

They say all journeys start with the first step – let us take that first step today.



Tuesday, 10 September 2019

Translation in English, French and Portuguese

8:00am – 8:45am

Registration

Welcome coffee and light breakfast
Lower Floor

9:00am – 09:45am

Welcome by Co-organizers

Mr Khalil Goga, Director of Dialogue, Nelson Mandela Foundation and Mr Valentin Tapsoba, Director, Southern Africa, UNHCR

Soweto Gospel Choir
Main Auditorium

09:45am – 12:00pm

Conversation with Ms Leanne Manas, UNHCR Goodwill Ambassador

Dr Sithembile Mbete, Lecturer in the Department of Political Sciences, University of Pretoria and Mr Valentin Tapsoba, Director, Southern Africa, UNHCR

Interventions by Mr Barthelemy Mwanza, Global Youth Leader
Mr Leonard Zulu, Deputy Director, Southern Africa, UNHCR
Mr Arafat Jamal, Head of Partnership and Coordination Service, UNHCR
Ms Sweta Madhuri Kannan, Policy Officer; Global Refugee Forum Coordination Team, UNHCR
Ms Philippa Candler, UNHCR Country Representative Angola
Mr Cian O'Brien, Associate Economic Inclusion Officer; DRS Livelihoods, UNHCR
Ms Rachel Levitan, Vice President of International Programmes, HIAS
Main Auditorium

12:00pm – 1:00pm

Lunch
Lower Floor

1:00pm – 2:30pm

BREAK-OUT SESSIONS - WORKING TOWARDS GLOBAL COMPACT ON REFUGEES

Protection Capacity

Co-facilitated by Lawyers for Human Rights and UNHCR
Moderator: Ms Maanda Makwarela, SERI
Speakers: Dr Dinokopila, Associate Professor, University of Botswana
Mr Celestino Chorar a Butão Epalanga, Deputy Director, Jesuit Refugee Service, Angola
Ms Liesl Muller, Statelessness, Lawyers for Human Rights
Mr Leonard Zulu, Deputy Director, Southern Africa, UNHCR

Lower Floor

Strengthening Partnerships, Economic Inclusion and Mapping Development Partners

Co-facilitated by Oxfam Mozambique and UNHCR
Moderator: H.R.H. Prince Jaime Bourbon de Parme, Senior Adviser, Private Sector Partnerships, UNHCR
Speakers: Mr Jos Verbeek, World Bank Representative and WTO Manager in Geneva
Ms Mathobela Mandisa, Head of Stakeholder Relations for Old Mutual Emerging Markets
Ms Jacqueline Kapinga Bajika Zandamela, Refugee Entrepreneur, Mozambique
Ms Helena Chiquelel Normas Sociais, Lead/Directora de Programas Interina, Oxfam Mozambique; Ms Pierrine Aylara, UNHCR Country Representative Zambia

Boardroom, First Floor

Partnership Integrity

Co-facilitated by Future Families and UNHCR
Moderator and Speaker: Mr Robert Hurt, Head of Implementing Partnership Management Service (including financial partnerships), UNHCR
Speakers: Ms Faith Chirinda, Project Coordinator
Ms Maria Carolina Silva, Country Director, World Vision Angola

Main Auditorium

2:30pm – 3:00pm

Coffee Break
Lower Floor

3:00pm – 3:30pm

Conversation with Mr. George Okoth-Obbo, Assistant High Commissioner for Operations, UNHCR
Moderated by Ms Aryn Baker, TIME Magazine Africa Bureau Chief
Main Auditorium

3:30pm – 5:30pm

CONVERSATION: RESILIENCE OPPORTUNITIES AND PRIVATE SECTOR OPPORTUNITIES

Mr Sello Hatang, Chief Executive Nelson Mandela Foundation
Mr Jos Verbeek, World Bank Representative and WTO Manager in Geneva
Mr Barend Petersen, De Beers Executive Chairman, South Africa
Ms Esther Juma, refugee engaged in livestock production in Malawi
Ms Lucie Hrabcova, Field Offices Coordinator, Caritas Czech Republic (Zambia)
Mr George Okoth-Obbo, Assistant High Commissioner for Operations, UNHCR
H.R.H. Prince Jaime Bourbon de Parme, Senior Adviser, Private Sector Partnerships, UNHCR

Moderated by Ms Aryn Baker, Time Magazine Africa Bureau Chief
Main Auditorium

5:30pm – 5:45pm

Report-back to Plenary
Mr Leonard Zulu, Deputy Director, Southern Africa, UNHCR

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Reception
Master of Ceremony: Ms Leanne Manas, UNHCR Goodwill Ambassador
Presentation of UNHCR/Mandela photograph by Mr Valentin Tapsoba, Director, Southern Africa, UNHCR to Mr Sello Hatang, Chief Executive Nelson Mandela Foundation
Performance by Locville
UNHCR Award presented by Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary, H E Mr N Maruyama to honor Dr Esther Mahlangu and her Foundation on inclusivity and empowerment
Lower Floor



Wednesday, 11 September 2019

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8:00am – 9:00am

Check-in

Welcome coffee and light breakfast

Lower Floor

9:00am – 10:30am

I/NGO DIALOGUE

Co-facilitated by Mr Marco Rotelli, Regional Representative for Africa, ICVA and Mr Arafat Jamal, Head of Partnership and Coordination Service, UNHCR

Dialogue with UNHCR Colleagues on Global Refugee Forum, Poverty Alleviation Alliance, and Global Compact on Refugees

H.R.H. Prince Jaime Bourbon de Parme, Senior Adviser, Private Sector Partnerships, UNHCR

Mr Leonard Zulu, Deputy Director, Southern Africa, UNHCR

Ms Pierrine Aylara, UNHCR Country Representative Zambia

Ms Monique Ekoko, UNHCR Country Representative Malawi

Mr Robert Hurt, Head, Implementing Partnership Management Service (including financial partnerships), UNHCR

Ms Sweta Madhuri Kannan, Policy Officer, Global Refugee Forum Coordination Team, UNHCR

Ms Annabel Mwangi, Senior Policy Adviser, Durable Solutions, UNHCR

Mr Cian O'Brien, Poverty Alleviation Alliance Secretariat, UNHCR

Ms Rachel Levitan Vice President of International Programmes, HIAS

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10:30am – 10:45pm

Coffee break

Lower Floor

10:45am – 12:00pm

I/NGO Dialogue

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12:00pm – 12:30pm

Closing Session

Report back on the NGO and Multi-stakeholder Consultations by Mr Leonard Zulu, Deputy Director, Southern Africa, UNHCR

Remarks by Mr George Okoth-Obbo, Assistant High Commissioner for Operations, UNHCR

Closing Remarks by Mr Valentin Tapsoba, Director, Southern Africa, UNHCR

Main Auditorium

12:30pm – 2:00pm

Lunch and end of Consultations

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Dr Esther Mahlangu
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A South African National Treasure

Esther Mahlangu is one of South Africa's most globally acclaimed artists. She was born in 1935 and has spent her life touring the world, dressed in her beautiful traditional Ndebele clothing, touching all who she meets.

Mam Esther has collaborated with numerous respected museums, artists, curators, brands, celebrities and entities over the course of her illustrious career.

In 1991, she became the first lady and first African to be invited to create a 'BMW Art Car' thereby joining other respected artists such as David Hockney, Andy Warhol, Roy Lichtenstein and Frank Stella.

In 2016, she collaborated with Belvedere Vodka and John Legend, to create the labels for a limited range of Belvedere Vodka bottles to raise money to be used for the fight against HIV in Africa.

In the same year, she collaborated once again with BMW to paint panels in their new 7 Series for launch at the Frieze Art Fair in London and participated in the 'SA – Art of a Nation' exhibition at the British Museum.

In 2017, she joined Dr Makaziwe Mandela, the eldest daughter of Mr Nelson Mandela, to unveil a series of artworks that she created in 2004 in collaboration with Mr Mandela for the first time at The Melrose Gallery in Johannesburg.





ESTHER MAHLANGU 2017