

“Regional Conference on Refugee Protection and International Migration in the Americas – Protection Considerations in the Context of Mixed Migration”

San José, Costa Rica, 19-20 November 2009
Hotel Radisson

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Wednesday

18 NOVEMBER 2009

18.00 - 20.00

Registration of participants (Room Miravalles)

Thursday

19 NOVEMBER 2009

08.00 - 09.00

Registration of participants (Room Zurqui I)

Morning Session - Plenary (Room Zurqui II and III)

Co-Chairs

Marcela Chacón, *Vice Minister of and Security, Costa Rica*
Erika Feller, *Assistant High Commissioner (Protection), UNHCR*

Opening Session

9.00 - 9.10

Ambassador Carmen Moreno Toscano, *Executive Secretary of the Inter-American Women Commission, OAS*

9.10 - 9.30

Erika Feller, *Assistant High Commissioner (Protection), UNHCR*

9.30 - 9.50

Laura Thompson, *Deputy Director General, IOM*

9.50 - 10.00

Bruno Stagno, *Minister for Foreign Affairs, Costa Rica*

10.00 - 10.10

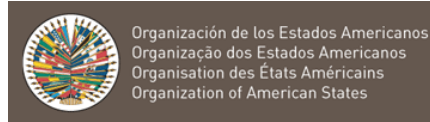
Janina del Vecchio, *Minister of Security, Costa Rica*

10.10 - 10.30

Coffee Break

10.30 - 10.40

Sonia Dentzel, *United States Department of State, Bureau for Population, Refugees and Migration*



10.40 - 11.25

Panel I: Protection Considerations within mixed migration flows – good practices of States

Protecting the human rights of people on the move. Federico Agusti, *Argentina*

Protection of asylum-seekers and refugees. Renato Zerbini Ribeiro Leão, *Brazil*

Protection for victims of human trafficking. Marcela Chacón, *Vice-Minister of Security, Costa Rica*

11.25 - 12.00

Discussion

12.00 – 13.30

Lunch Break (Acuarelas Restaurant)

Afternoon Session

13.30 – 16.00

Working Groups

Working Group A:

Respecting the human rights of people on the move irrespective of status

Room:

Zurqui III

Co-chairs:

Ambassador Alfonso Morales, *Ecuador* and Veronica Birga, *OHCHR*

Rapporteurs:

Eugenia Contarini, *UNHCR* and Daniel Redondo, *IOM*

Thematic input:

Mark Fleming, *Rapporteurship on the Rights of Migrant Workers and their Families, IACHR*

Elizabeth Cubías, *UN Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families*

Working Group B:

Identifying and providing international protection to refugees

Room:

Zurqui II

Co-chairs:

Dick Graham, *Canada* and Deborah Elizondo, *UNHCR*

Rapporteurs:

Vanessa Leandro, *UNHCR* and Diana Trimiño, *IOM*

Thematic input:

Charu al-Sahli, *FIAC*

Brandon Prelogar, *US Delegation*

Working Group C:

The protection needs of victims of human trafficking

Room:

Europa

Co-Chairs:

Sonia Dentzel, *USA* and Diego Beltrand, *IOM*

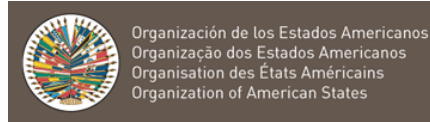
Rapporteurs:

Elizabeth Dallam, *UNHCR* and Dolores Cortés, *IOM*

Thematic input:

Ana Hidalgo, *IOM*

Felipe de la Torre, *UNODC*



Working Group D:

Room:

Co-chairs:

Rapporteurs:

Thematic input:

The protection of irregular migrants and smuggled persons

Cedral-Turrialba

To be confirmed, and Ambassador Carmen Moreno Toscano, *OAS*

Pablo Rodríguez, *UNHCR* and Juan Manuel Luna, *IOM*

Laurence Hart, *IOM*

Marcia Bebianno, *OAS*

16.00 – 16.30

Coffee Break

16.30 - 17.30

Plenary: (Room Zurqui II and III)

Reports from Working Groups and Discussion

Marta Juárez, *Director Americas Bureau, UNHCR*

Robert G. Paiva, *Director, External Relations Department, IOM*

Marcela Chacón, *Vice Minister of Security, Costa Rica*

19.00

Cocktail (Ministry of Foreign Affairs)

Friday

20 NOVEMBER 2009

8.30 – 10.30

Morning Session - Plenary (Room Zurqui II and III)

Co-Chairs

Mario Zamora, *Director General of Migration, Costa Rica*

José Pires, *Regional Representative for Central America and Mexico, IOM*

8.30 - 8.40

Introduction to second day by the Chair

8.40 – 9.30

Panel II: Protection Considerations within mixed migration flows – the perspective of International Organizations.

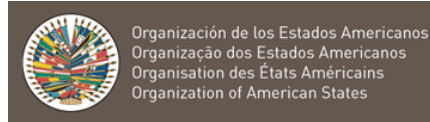
Araceli Azuara, *OAS*

Carmen Rosa Villa Quintana, *OHCHR*

Susu Thatun, *UNICEF*

9.30 -10.00

Discussion



10.00 - 10.30

Coffee Break

10.30 – 13.00

Working Groups

Working Group E:

Profiling and referral mechanisms

Room:

Zurqui III

Co-Chairs:

Gabriela Saavedra, *Chile* and Serge Malé, *UNHCR*

Rapporteurs:

Eva Camps, *UNHCR* and Agueda Marin, *IOM*

Thematic input:

Anja Klug, *UNHCR*

Gabriela Fernández, *IOM*

Working Group F:

The protection of extra-regional and stranded migrants and refugees

Room:

Zurqui II

Co-Chairs:

Halima Sa'adia-Kassim, *CARICOM Secretariat* and Robert Paiva, *IOM*

Rapporteurs:

Anna Greene, *UNHCR* and Isabel Cruz, *IOM*

Thematic input:

Jorge Martinez, *ECLAC*

Fabricio López, *Red Cross Federation*

Working Group G:

The protection of unaccompanied children

Room:

Europa

Co-Chairs:

María Mercedes López Peña, *El Salvador* and Nadine Perrault, *UNICEF*

Rapporteurs:

Carolina Mateos, *UNHCR* and Gina Gallardo, *IOM*

Thematic input:

Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro, *Rapporteurship on the Rights of the Child, IACHR*

Cecilia Ramirez, *IOM*

Working Group H:

Enhancement of protection for refugees and migrants through regional mechanisms

Room:

Cedral-Turrialba

Co-Chairs:

Katya Somohano, *Mexico* and Ambassador Patricio Zuquilanda, *OAS*

Rapporteurs:

Federico Martinez, *UNHCR* and Hector Monroy, *IOM*

Thematic input:

Jorge Peraza, *RCM Technical Secretariat*

Alejandra Nuño, *CEJIL*

13.00 – 14.00

Lunch Break (Acuarelas Restaurant)



Afternoon Session – Plenary (Room Zurqui II and III)

- 14.00 – 15.30** **R**eport from Working Groups and discussion
- 15.30 – 16.00** Coffee Break
- 16.00 – 17.00** **A**doption of Recommendations, summary and closing
Erika Feller, *UNHCR*
Laura Thompson, *IOM*
Janina del Vecchio, *Costa Rica*
- E**nd of the Conference

Acronyms:

- CARICOM: Caribbean Community Secretariat
CEJIL: Centre for Justice and International Law
ECLAC: United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America
FIAC: Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center
IACHR: Inter-American Commission on Human Rights
IOM: International Organization for Migration
OAS: Organization of American States
OHCHR: Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
RCM: Regional Conference on Migration
UNHCR: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNICEF: United Nations Children's Fund
UNODC: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime