Side event of the thematic discussions

Gender equality and women’s empowerment in the global compact on refugees

Moderated by Mr. Volker Türk, Assistant High Commissioner for Protection, UNHCR

Speakers to include:

H.E. Ambassador Maurizio Enrico Serra, Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations Office at Geneva
Ms. Cheery Zahau, Representative of Persons of Concern, Myanmar
Ms. Hiba Qasas, Chief, Crisis Prevention, Preparedness and Response, UN Women
Ms. Monica Ferro, Director, UNFPA Geneva Office
Mr. Dale Buscher, Senior Director for Programs, Women’s Refugee Commission

As Member States and other stakeholders convene to help formulate the global compact on refugees, it is essential that commitments on gender equality be maintained and operationalized by ensuring the rights, protection and empowerment of women and girls. This side event will identify concrete measures and recommendations to acknowledge and promote the leadership, participation and agency of refugee women and girls, as well as to design effective responses to multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination.

Tuesday, 17 October 2017
13:30 - 15:00
Palais des Nations – Room XXIV

- Interpretation will be provided in English and French.
Sandwiches and refreshments will be served outside the room. -