

High-Level Officials Meeting Side Event

Advancing Refugee Self-reliance through Sport

Monday 13 December 2021 - 10:00-11:15 (CET)

Link: Zoom Registration is not required*

Interpretation will be provided in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish and International Sign Language

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The side event will explore how sport serves as an effective and innovative medium in strengthening and advancing refugee self-reliance – one of the four objectives of the Global Compact on Refugees. The session aims at highlighting the key role of sport and sport actors can play in building better futures for refugees as well as to inspire further collaboration across stakeholder groups.

Moderated by Mr. Henry Bonsu

Keynote Speaker



Ms. Yusra Mardini IOC Refugee Olympic Team Rio & Tokyo, Goodwill Ambassador for UNHCR

Ms. Mary Joy Pigozzi Executive Director, Educate A Child

Ms. Karin Heri Head of Sustainability and Social Responsibility, Malmö FF







Mr. Emre Kaçar Deputy Director General, Ministry of Youth and Sports of Turkish Republic

Mr. Parfait Hakizimana Refugee Paralympian, Coach at Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation

Panelists