

2022 HIGH COMMISSIONER'S DIALOGUE ON PROTECTION CHALLENGES | DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

📍 International Conference Centre in Geneva (CICG)

WEDNESDAY, 7 DECEMBER 2022

OPENING PLENARY | Room A-B-C

10:00 – 13:00

- Welcoming remarks by Mr. Filippo Grandi, High Commissioner for Refugees
- Conversation between Mr. Filippo Grandi, High Commissioner for Refugees, and Ms. Antoinette Sayeh, Deputy Managing Director, International Monetary Fund. Moderated by Mr. Hervé de Villeroche, Special Advisor to the High Commissioner on Development, UNHCR
- Reflections from the preparatory regional roundtables: moderated by Ms. Gillian Triggs, Assistant High Commissioner for Protection, UNHCR
- Discussion in plenary

LUNCH BREAK

13:00 – 15:00

Entrance hall
13:00 – 13:30
[Speakers' corner](#)
Short talks on topical issues

Room A-B-C
13:30 – 14:45
[Special session](#) on the 2023 World Development Report: Migrants, Refugees and Societies

PARALLEL SPOTLIGHT SESSIONS |

15:00 – 18:00

[Spotlight session 1](#)

Room A-B-C
Investing in the resilience of local governments and communities as first responders

[Spotlight session 2](#)

Room D
The role of the private sector in promoting economic inclusion

[Spotlight session 3](#)

Room E-F
Supporting voluntary sustainable returns and (re)integration

Reception | [Entrance hall](#)

18:00 – 19:30

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Bolstering national systems to prepare and respond

[Spotlight session 5](#)

Room D
Promoting inclusion in forced displacement contexts

[Spotlight session 6](#)

Room E-F
Promoting enabling policy environments for solutions

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Hosted by the European Union

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[Presentation](#) of the European Union “Lives in Dignity” exhibition

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Reflections from the preparatory regional roundtables

For further information on the roundtables, please refer to the [overview](#) on the High Commissioner's Dialogue webpage.

MIRPS Support Platform and the Honduras National Coordination Roundtable

Ms. Elizabeth H. Campbell | Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau for Population, Refugees and Migration, United States of America

Regional Roundtable on Protection Challenges: West and Central Africa

Mr. Norbert Tirlamo | Deputy Coordinator, Technical Secretariat of the Managing Organs for Refugee Status, Cameroon

High-Level Roundtable on Return and Reintegration of Burundian Refugees

Mr. Damien Mama | UN Resident Coordinator in Burundi

A People-Centred Approach to Preparedness and Responses in Climate Emergencies

Ms. Luisa Celma Meque | President, National Institute for Disaster Risk Management and Reduction, Mozambique

Advancing Inclusion in the Middle East and North Africa region through Development Cooperation

Mr. Mohamed al Malha | Coordinator, Mbera refugee camp, Mauritania

Regional Roundtable on the Afghanistan Situation

Mr. Robert Schoellhammer | Representative of the Asian Development Bank, European Representative Office

Refugee Inclusion in the Republic of Moldova: Operationalizing the Temporary Protection Regime and Strengthening Prospects for Socioeconomic Inclusion and Economic Growth

Mr. Marcel Spatari | Minister of Labour and Social Protection, Republic of Moldova

- Discussion in plenary

SPEAKERS' CORNER

13:00 - 13:30 | Entrance hall

States of Fragility: Development Responses to Forced Displacement in a Fragile World

Mr. Frederik Matthys | Head, Division of Global Partnerships and Policies, Development Co-operation Directorate, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

Making the Invisible Visible through Statistics

Mr. Björn Gillsäter | Head, World Bank-UNHCR Joint Data Center on Forced Displacement

Anticipating Vulnerability Hotspots in the Sahel: The Sahel Predictive Analytics Project

Ms. Jana Birner | On behalf of the Office of the Special Advisor to the UN High Commissioner for Refugees on Climate Action

Can Statelessness be Addressed through the Rule of Law?

Mr. Mark Cassayre | Permanent Observer of the International Development Law Organization to the United Nations Office at Geneva

SPECIAL SESSION ON THE 2023 WORLD DEVELOPMENT REPORT: MIGRANTS, REFUGEES AND SOCIETIES

13:30 - 14:45

Room A-B-C

INTERPRETATION | ENGLISH, FRENCH, SPANISH

Co-moderators

- Ms. Gillian Triggs | Assistant High Commissioner for Protection, UNHCR
- Mr. Xavier Devictor | Co-Director World Development Report 2023, World Bank
- Ambassador Álvaro Enrique Ayala Meléndez | Minister Plenipotentiary, Chargé d'affaires a.i, Permanent Mission of Colombia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva

Description

This special session will present the preliminary findings of the forthcoming World Bank 2023 World Development Report: Migrants, Refugees and Societies, as a basis for discussion on the role of development cooperation in forced displacement, statelessness and mixed migration contexts. Acknowledging the challenges the global community currently faces with respect to solutions, the 2023 World Development Report asks: how can cross-mobility be managed in a manner that is beneficial to all?

The special session will discuss the implications of the findings of the 2023 World Development Report for policies and programming to advance protection and solutions. Additionally, the conversation will draw from reflections and lessons learned from the Colombian Government's experience in hosting displaced people and advancing durable solutions.

PARALLEL SPOTLIGHT SESSIONS

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SPOTLIGHT SESSION 1

INVESTING IN THE RESILIENCE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND COMMUNITIES AS FIRST RESPONDERS

15:00 - 18:00



Room A-B-C

INTERPRETATION | ENGLISH, FRENCH, SPANISH

Co-moderators

- Mr. Vincent Cochetel | Special Envoy for the Central Mediterranean Situation, UNHCR
- Ms. Emilia Sáiz Carracedo | Secretary-General, United Cities and Local Governments

Discussion questions

- 1 | Local governments and communities are often the first responders to displacement and statelessness. **How can they be better equipped and supported to prepare for and respond to displacement, statelessness and risks of statelessness?**
- 2 | Urban strategies with a strong approach to age, gender, and diversity in displacement contexts can provide a shared blueprint for multi-stakeholder collaboration. **What can we learn from promising practices where humanitarian, development and peace actors are supporting such protection-centred urban strategies?**
- 3 | Financial resources and technical capacity are important for effective policy responses and planning for solutions. **What mechanisms are needed to coordinate, fund and strengthen technical capacity to support long-term planning at the local government and community levels?**

SPOTLIGHT SESSION 2

THE ROLE OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN PROMOTING ECONOMIC INCLUSION

15:00 - 18:00



Room D

INTERPRETATION | ENGLISH, FRENCH, SPANISH

- Co-moderators**
- Mr. Raouf Mazou | Assistant High Commissioner for Operations, UNHCR
 - Mr. Sérgio Pimenta | Vice-President for Africa, International Finance Corporation

- Discussion questions**
- 1 | There is a need to identify the ways in which the actions of the private sector can complement those of humanitarian, development and government actors. **What are the opportunities and challenges for private sector engagement in displacement and statelessness contexts? What role can governments, local actors, non-governmental organizations and refugee-led organizations play in overcoming these challenges and seizing opportunities?**
 - 2 | Legal and practical barriers to decent work, freedom of movement, documentation and identification, and the enjoyment of other rights, are critical to ensuring the protection environment necessary for enabling economic inclusion. **How can we ensure protection is upheld and advanced in market-based approaches in forced displacement contexts?**
 - 3 | In recent years, private sector actors have increasingly engaged in forced displacement contexts. **Where have private investments made a real difference? What are the most promising pathways to engaging with these actors, and how do we scale up these approaches?**

SPOTLIGHT SESSION 3

SUPPORTING VOLUNTARY SUSTAINABLE RETURNS AND (RE)INTEGRATION

15:00 - 18:00



Room E-F

INTERPRETATION | ENGLISH, FRENCH, SPANISH

- Co-moderators**
- Ms. Kelly T. Clements | Deputy High Commissioner, UNHCR
 - Ms. Asako Okai | UN Assistant Secretary-General and Director, Crisis Bureau, United Nations Development Programme

- Discussion questions**
- 1 | While for some displaced people, return would be the preferred solution, it is not an option for all. **What are the promising practices and challenges in supporting voluntary returns and sustainable reintegration? How can development, humanitarian and peace actors at the local and national levels support governments in this process?**
 - 2 | Participatory planning can contribute to facilitating sustainable return and reintegration. **How can area-based approaches, which often involve multiple actors and government entities, support the conditions needed for voluntary return and reintegration? How do we ensure communities play an active role in planning and programming to ensure that they are sensitive to age, gender and diversity considerations?**
 - 3 | Conditions needed for voluntary return depend on national leadership and successful regional and cross-border coordination to ensure a comprehensive solutions approach. **How can development cooperation strengthen institutional capacities and regional coordination mechanisms to support comprehensive solutions?**

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SPOTLIGHT SESSION 4

BOLSTERING NATIONAL SYSTEMS TO PREPARE AND RESPOND

10:00 - 13:00



Room A-B-C

INTERPRETATION | ENGLISH, FRENCH, SPANISH

Co-moderators

- Ms. Dominique Hyde | Director, Division of External Relations, UNHCR
- The Honourable Esther Davinia Anyakun | Minister of State for Relief, Disaster Preparedness and Refugees, Office of the Prime Minister, Uganda

Discussion questions

- 1 | Emergency preparedness efforts can draw valuable lessons from the development and disaster risk reduction community. **How can the capacity, financing and expertise of the development and disaster risk reduction community contribute to emergency preparedness and response planning?**
- 2 | Stronger linkages across the displacement cycle – preparedness, displacement, emergency response and durable solutions – are needed. **How can better synergies in policies and practices be built between development and humanitarian coordination and financing efforts?**
- 3 | Bolstering national protection systems and integrating protection considerations into national planning is critical for preparedness. **How can humanitarian-development collaboration enhance protection functions (such as reception, registration, status determination, data, documentation and child protection) in national planning and emergency response?**

SPOTLIGHT SESSION 5

PROMOTING INCLUSION IN FORCED DISPLACEMENT CONTEXTS

10:00 - 13:00



Room D

INTERPRETATION | ENGLISH, FRENCH, SPANISH

Co-moderators

- Mr. Sajjad Malik | Director, Division of Resilience and Solutions, UNHCR
- Ms. Caroline Bahnson | Practice Manager, Fragility, Conflict and Violence, World Bank

Discussion questions

- 1 | Increased and dedicated funding instruments, coupled with strong political will and enabling policy environments, have provided fertile ground to support socioeconomic inclusion. **How can we build on these experiences to further the inclusion of displaced and stateless people in national systems?**
- 2 | While many States have made progress towards meeting their protection responsibilities, displaced and stateless people often still face barriers to accessing socioeconomic opportunities. **What are the policy barriers, funding gaps and protection challenges that hinder the inclusion of displaced and stateless people?**
- 3 | The recognition of forced displacement as a development challenge has brought international attention to underserved host communities. **How has inclusion benefited displaced and host communities and local economies? How can standards in services and systems be improved for both displaced and host communities?**

SPOTLIGHT SESSION 6

PROMOTING ENABLING POLICY ENVIRONMENTS FOR SOLUTIONS

10:00 - 13:00  Room E-F

INTERPRETATION | ENGLISH, FRENCH, SPANISH

- Co-moderators**
- Ms. Elizabeth Tan | Director, Division of International Protection, UNHCR
 - Ms. Chiara Adamo | Acting Director, Human Development, Migration, Governance and Peace, Directorate-General for International Partnerships (INTPA), European Commission

- Discussion questions**
- 1 | Development, humanitarian and peace actors can play a role in supporting nationally led strategies and policies for solutions. **What enabling national policies are needed to promote solutions for displaced and stateless persons? How can the different stakeholders support the development and implementation of these policies?**
 - 2 | Regional arrangements, such as the support platforms in Central America (MIRPS), Afghanistan (SSAR), and East Africa (IGAD), can facilitate comprehensive approaches to solutions. **How can we galvanize and support stronger regional cooperation to facilitate local solutions for displaced persons?**
 - 3 | The multi-stakeholder framework “Third Country Solutions for Refugees: Roadmap 2030” sets a ten-year goal of admitting 2 million refugees through complementary pathways. **How can we support and expand national infrastructures to enable access to educational opportunities, skills advancement and labour mobility pathways to achieve this goal?**

**PRESENTATION OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
“LIVES IN DIGNITY” EXHIBITION**

13:00 - 13:15

| Entrance hall

Presentation of the European Union Exhibition “Lives in Dignity: A nexus approach to forced displacement”

Opening remarks by Her Excellency Ambassador Lotte Knudsen, Permanent Observer of the European Union to the United Nations Office at Geneva, and Mr. Filippo Grandi, High Commissioner for Refugees

SPEAKERS' CORNER

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| Entrance hall

The Cost-of-Living Crisis for Urban Displaced People in East Africa: The Role of Inclusive Social Protection

Mr. Victor Odero | Regional Advocacy Director, East Africa, International Rescue Committee

How to Invest in the Resilience of Refugees to Empower Communities

Mr. Abdinasir Hassen Abdilahi | DAFI Scholar and Master's Student in Medical Photonics, Jena Universität

Gender Dimensions of Forced Displacement

Dr. Tilman Brück | Founder and Director, International Security and Development Center

SPECIAL SESSION ON DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION TO ADDRESS INTERNAL DISPLACEMENT

13:30 - 14:45

Room A-B-C

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Co-moderators

- Ms. Kelly T. Clements | Deputy High Commissioner, UNHCR
- Mr. Robert Piper | Special Adviser to the UN Secretary-General on Solutions to Internal Displacement
- Mr. Abdihakim Hassan Ashkir | Deputy Minister, Ministry of Interior, Federal Affairs and Reconciliation, Somalia

Discussion questions

- 1 According to the United Nations Secretary General's High-Level Panel on Internal Displacement, development financing is a decisive factor in addressing internal displacement. **How can coordination and predictable financing be improved to support early action on internal displacement, and address protracted situations?**
- 2 Securing sustainable solutions to internal displacement requires addressing the root causes, including protection failures, and not just treating the symptoms. **Recognizing the centrality of protection, how can protection analysis strengthen national development policy and programming?**
- 3 Internally displaced people and host communities can advance innovative community-led solutions. **What role can national governments and international partners play in supporting community-led solutions – for example, through addressing administrative, political and social cohesion barriers?**

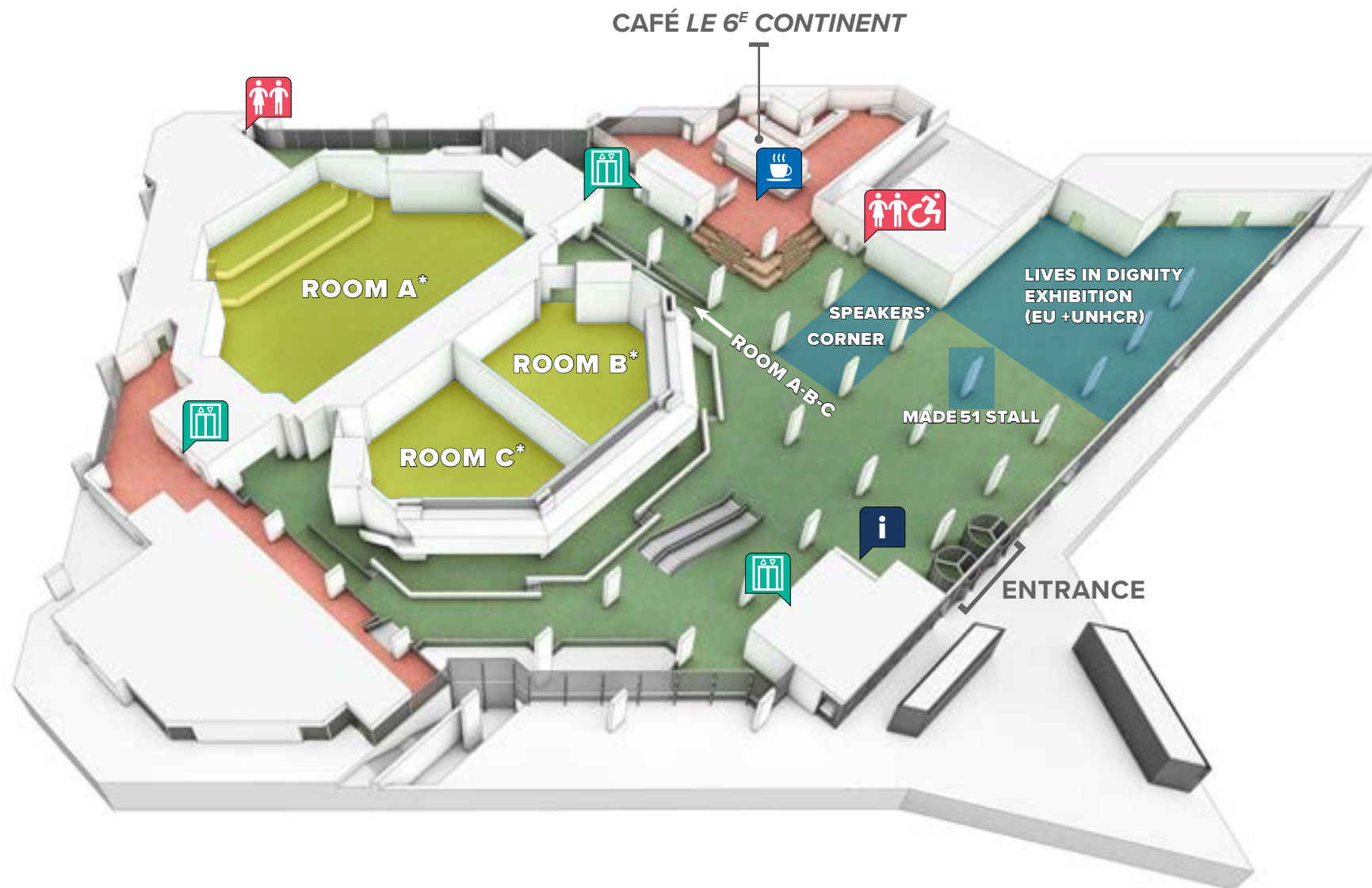
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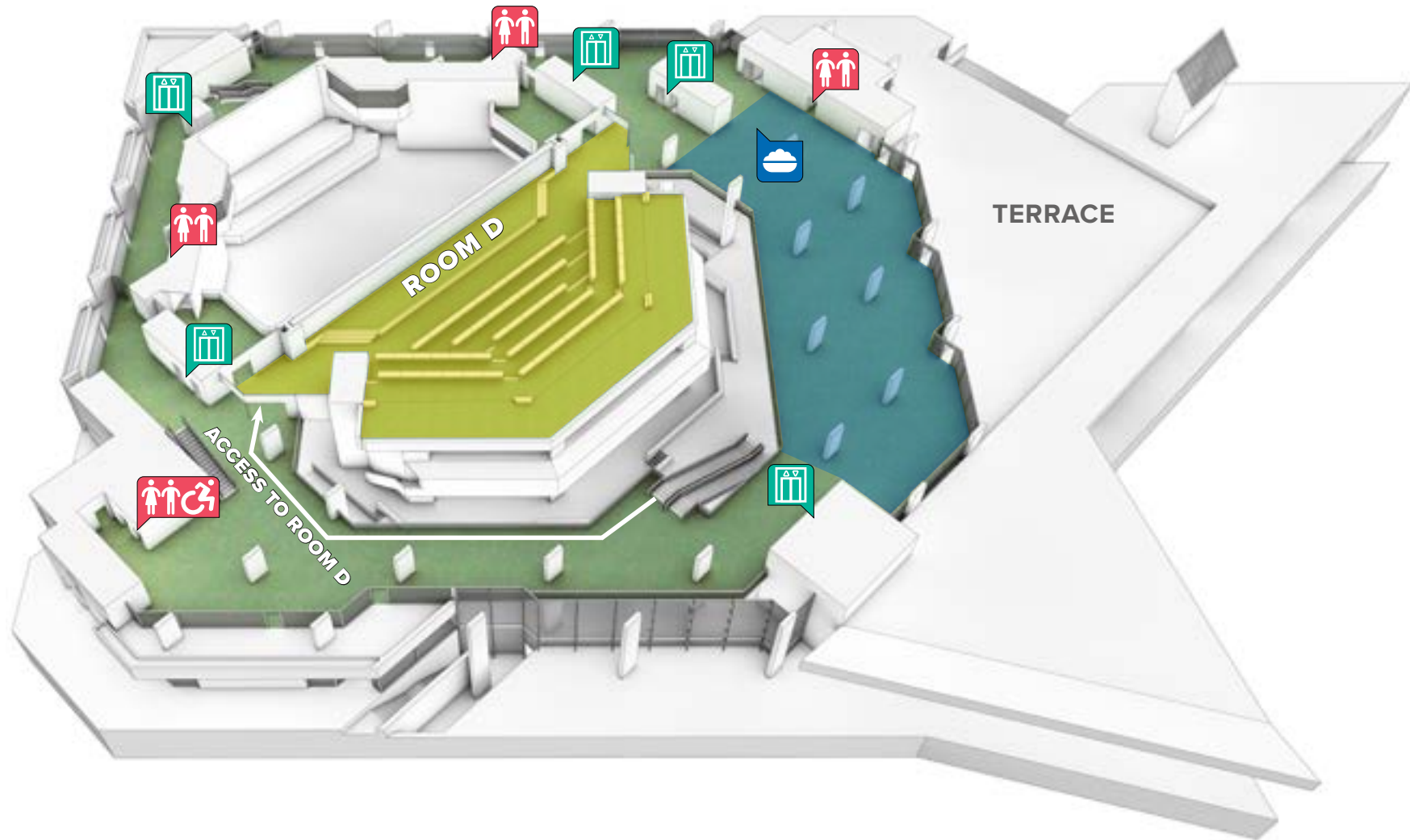
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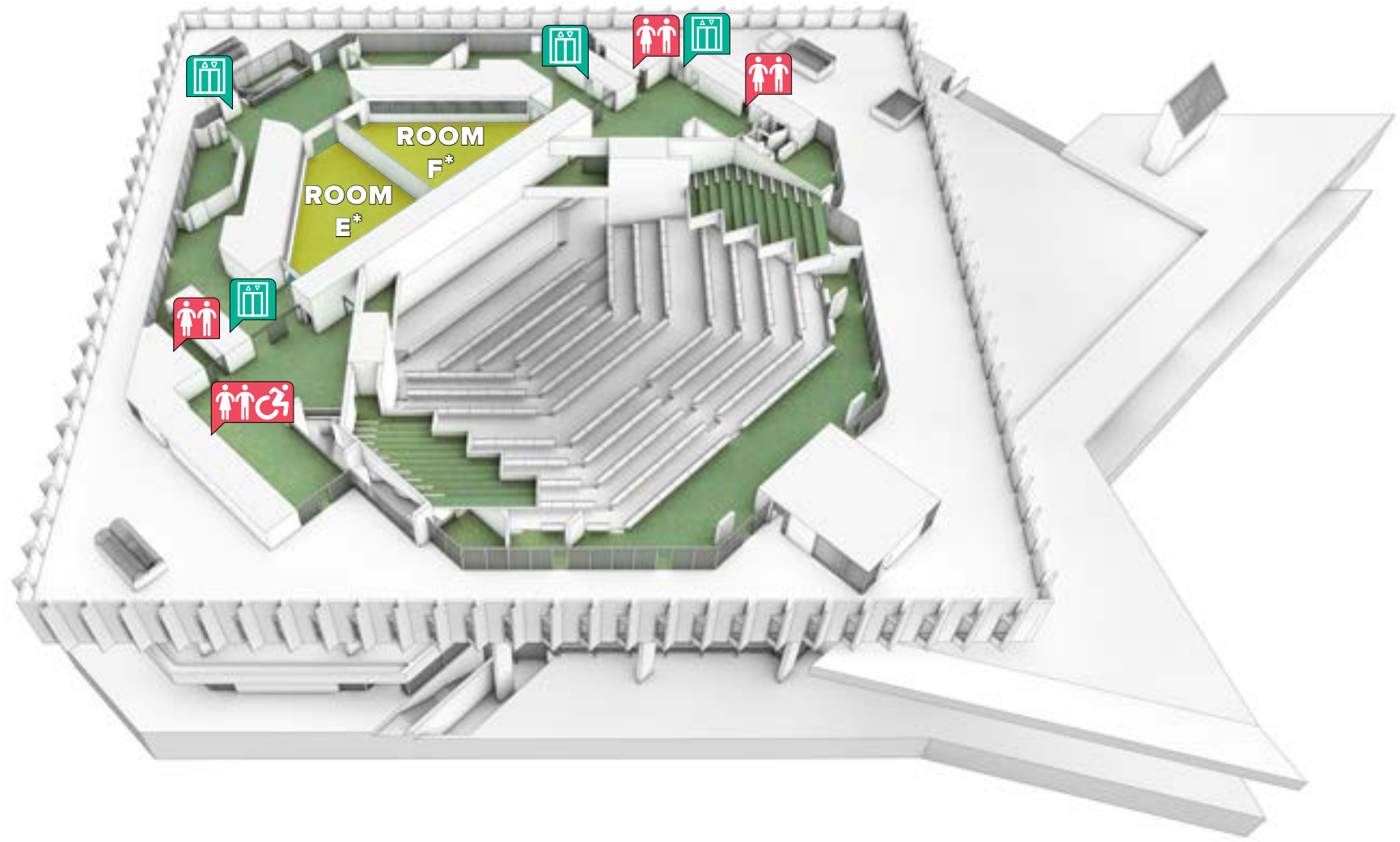
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