

‘Internal Displacement and Solutions’ Conference

Internal Displacement Research Programme, University of London (online)

***DRAFT* PROGRAMME: 14-15 March 2024**

DAY 1 - Thursday 14 March 2024

Time (UK)	Session
09.00– 09.10	Plenary - Opening Welcome Professor David Cantor, Director of the Internal Displacement Research Programme / Refugee Law Initiative
09.10– 09.15	Set-up break

<p>09.15– 11.00</p>	<p>Session 1A - Not All IDPs Are The Same: Working towards Different ‘Solutions’ for Different IDPs (THEMATIC) Moderator: Dr Lidia Kuzemska (Forum Transregionale Studien, Germany)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Not All Myanmar IDPs (2011-) Are The Same” – Dr Nyi Nyi Kyaw (Chiang Mai University, Thailand) • “Seeking Solutions to Unprecedented Internal Displacement in Ethiopia” – Dr Abebaw Minaye (Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia) • “IDPs in Northwest Syria- How to Address Need in Non-State Entity” – Dr Fouad M Fouad (American University of Beirut, Lebanon) • “Impact of the 2022 Russian Invasion on Ukrainian IDP Women” – Dr Daryna Dvornichenko (University of Oxford, UK) 	<p>Session 1B – New Solutions Concepts in Policy and Practice (THEMATIC) Moderator: Dr Nick Maple (Refugee Law Initiative, UK)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Evaluating ‘Transitional Solutions’ through its Use in the Myanmar Context” - Paul Vernon (Asia Displacement Solutions Platform, Bangladesh) • “From Return to Local Integration: Lessons Learned from the Libyan Experience” – Dr Sebastien Moretti (Office of the Resident Coordinator, Libya) • “Development Solutions” - Peter de Clercq (independent consultant, Saudi Arabia) • “Delivering against the Durable Solutions Framework through Inclusion of Duty-bearers – Evidence from the Middle East” – Amy Rodgers (Durable Solutions Platform, Jordan); with Matthew Hemsley (Danish Refugee Council, Jordan)
<p>11.00– 11.15</p>	<p>Set-up break</p>	
<p>11.15– 13.00</p>	<p>SESSION 2A - The Need to Contextualise Solutions Concepts: Evidence from Iraq and Somalia (THEMATIC) Moderator: Jo Nickolls (Resident Coordinator's Office, Somalia)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Displacement and Integration from a Government Standpoint” - Zahra Abdi (Federal Government of Somalia, Somalia) • “‘Solutions by Any Other Name’: Do New Ideas of Durable Solutions Differ from the Old in Changing Contexts like Iraq?” - Precillar Moyo (IOM, Iraq) • “Approach to Urban Displacement – Achieving Inclusive Urbanization in Somalia” - Makiko Watanabe (World Bank, Tanzania) • “Scaling Context-based Solutions to Urban Displacement in Somalia: Challenges and Opportunities” - Laura Bennison (IOM, Somalia) • Displacement and integration from a personal standpoint – Halimo (resident of Barwaaqo, Somalia) 	<p>SESSION 2B - Internal Displacement in Buddhist Theory and Practice (OPEN) Moderator: Dr Bríd Ní Ghráinne (Maynooth University, Ireland)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Engaging Buddhist Networks in Addressing Internal Displacement through International Humanitarian Law” – Dr Christina Kilby (James Madison University, USA) • “Internal Displacement in Buddhist Theory and Practice: A Modern Sri Lankan Case” - Professor Mahinda Deegalle (School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London) • “An Old Buddhist Prophecy and Its Potential Insight into Solutions to Internal Displacement” - Professor Diane Denis (Kathmandu University, Nepal) • “Applying the Sāmagāma Sutta as a Tool in Reducing Conflict between Host Communities and IDPs” - Professor Keith Leitich (University of Vienna, Austria)
<p>13.00– 13.45</p>	<p>Lunch / coffee break</p>	

<p>13.45– 15.30</p>	<p>SESSION 3A - A Question with Many Answers: How to Measure Progress Towards Durable Solutions to Internal Displacement? (THEMATIC) Moderator: Natalia Baal (EGRISS Secretariat, Denmark) Discussant: Mona Folkesson (Office of the Special Advisor on Solutions)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Creating a Common Baseline to Assess Progress towards Durable Solutions” - Margharita Lundkvist-Houndoumadi (Joint IDP Profiling Service, Switzerland) • “Identifying Priority Areas for Development Investments and Tracking Progress over Time” - Catherine Osborn (UN Development Programme, Switzerland) • “Using Data to Assess the Vulnerabilities of IDPs to Target National Assistance Programs and Identify Those who no longer Require Humanitarian Assistance” - Nathalia Romero Figueroa (Unit for the Comprehensive Attention & Reparations of Victims, Colombia) • “The (Statistical) End of Displacement – When Can We Take People Out of the IDP Stock?” - Felix Schmieding (World Bank-UNHCR Joint Data Center on Forced Displacement, Denmark), presenting on behalf of EGRISS 	<p>SESSION 3B - Conceptualising Solutions – New Academic Perspectives (THEMATIC) Moderator: Martina Caterina (UNHCR, Switzerland)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Ending Internal Displacement: Normative Standards, Ethical Challenges” – Professor Megan Bradley (McGill University, Canada) • “Rethinking Durable Solutions as Risk-informed Solutions” – Erica Bower (Stanford University, USA) • “Understanding Mobility in Internal Displacements: Searching for Solutions beyond a Sedentary Frame” – Dr Benjamin Etzold (Bonn International Centre for Conflict Studies, Germany); and Dr Carolien Jacobs (Leiden Law School, Netherlands) • “The Multilevel Governance of Internal Displacement” - Melissa Weihmayer (London School of Economics and Political Science, UK)
<p>15.30– 15.45</p>	<p>Set-up break</p>	
<p>15.45– 16.30</p>	<p>Plenary – Distinguished Keynote <i>“Academic Research on IDPs: Trends, Gaps, Possibilities”</i> Professor Elizabeth Ferris, Director of the Institute for the Study of International Migration Georgetown University, USA</p>	

DAY 2 - Friday 15 March 2024

Time (UK)	Session	
09.00–09.10	Plenary - Welcome Back Rekha Menon, Office of the UNSG Special Advisor on Solutions	
09.10–09.15	Set-up break	
09.15–11.00	SESSION 4A - Accountability for Arbitrary Displacement (THEMATIC) Moderator: Prof. David Cantor (Internal Displacement Research Programme, UK) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Seeking Accountability for the Crime of Forced Displacement: Universal Jurisdiction as a National Response Mechanism” - Mareen Brosinsky (University of Wollongong, Australia) • “Regional Human Rights Courts and Commissions: Reinforcing Durable Solutions through Reparation” – Dr Deborah Casalin (University of Antwerp, Belgium) • “Development Finance Institutions and Development Induced Displacements: Independent Accountability Mechanisms and Human Rights of the Displaced Populations” - Janet Jebichii Sego (University of Antwerp, Belgium) • “Enforcing Accountability for Forced Displacement Crimes” - Professor Phil Orchard (University of Wollongong, Australia) 	SESSION 4B - Understanding Solutions Dynamics in Communities (THEMATIC) Moderator: Dr Ana Mosneaga (DanChurchAid, Denmark) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Point of No Return? Perceptions of Integration and Belonging in Communities Experiencing Internal Displacement in Colombia, Iraq, and Nigeria” – Beatrice Riva (IDMC, Switzerland), Alesia O’Connor (IDMC, Switzerland) and Dr Lena von Naso (Norwegian Refugee Council, Germany) • “Forced Displacement: Understanding Preferences for Host Communities in the Kasai, Congo” – Dr Peter van der Windt (New York University, Abu Dhabi) • “Restoring the Social Contract to Realize Durable Solutions for Internally Displaced Persons: Theoretical and Practical Reflections on a Promising Notion” - Dr. Jerome Elie (Asia Displacement Solutions Platform, Bangladesh) • “Riverbank Erosion: Sustainable Solutions for Protecting the Livelihoods of Displaced People in Bangladesh” - Shahadat Hossain (South Asian University, India)
11.00–11.15	Set-up break	

<p>11.15– 13.00</p>	<p>SESSION 5A - Including IDP Children in Defining Solutions: Lessons from Ethiopia (THEMATIC) Moderator: Tory Clawson (Save the Children International, Canada)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "The Human Rights Situation of Children in the Context of Displacement" - Enguday Meskele Ashine (Ethiopian Human Rights Commission, Ethiopia) • "Voices Unheard - Why the Participation of Children in Solutions is Not Optional" - Laura Kivelä (Danish Refugee Council, Ethiopia) • "Exploring Protracted Displacement and Durable Solutions for Internally Displaced Children and Families in Ethiopia: Gaps, Challenges and Opportunities" - TSION TEFERRA (Save the Children, Ethiopia) • Presentation from member of children's parliament, Ethiopia 	<p>SESSION 5B – Local Responses to Internal Displacement (OPEN) Moderator: Dr Carolien Jacobs (Leiden Law School, Netherlands)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Networks of Persistence: A New Framework for Protracted Displacement (Georgia)" - Dr Jared R. Dmello (University of Adelaide, Australia); and Dr Beth Mitchneck (University of Arizona, USA) • "Loopholes in Humanitarian Policy Response to Urban IDPs in Nigeria" - Rebecca Enobong Roberts (Technical University of Berlin, Germany) • "Moving Beyond Humanitarian Hand-outs: A Study of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) Farmers Beans Market, Auta Balefi, Nasarawa State- Nigeria" - Cosmas Ba-Ana-Itenebe (Universidade de Lisboa, Portugal) • "Decolonizing Durable Solutions for Internally Displaced Indigenous Peoples in Mindanao" - Dyan Mabunga Rodriguez (University of the Philippines Baguio, Philippines)
<p>13.00– 13.45</p>	<p>Lunch / coffee break</p>	
<p>13.45– 15.30</p>	<p>SESSION 6A - Rethinking the 'Integration' Aspect of 'Local Integration' (THEMATIC) Moderator: Dr Sarah Deardorff Miller (Refugees International, USA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Rethinking the 'Integration' Aspect of 'Local Integration'" – Dr Clayton Boeyink (University of Edinburgh, UK) • "Local Integration as an 'Endurable' Solution for IDPs in South Kivu, DRC" - Leonard Muzee Kazamwali (Centre d'Excellence Denis Mukwege, Democratic Republic of Congo) • "Social Connections and Access to Health-care among Displaced People in the DRC, Somalia, and Kenya" – Dr Jean-Benoît Falisse (University of Edinburgh, UK) • "Domains of (Local) Integration and their Durability in Kismayo and Garowe, Somalia" - Ahmed S. Bile and Mohamed A. Ali-Salad (Somali Institute for Development Research and Analysis, Somalia) 	<p>SESSION 6B - How Can Protection Be Integrated into Solutions (THEMATIC) Moderator: Samuel David Cheung (Global Protection Cluster, Switzerland)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "When Implementing Solutions Creates Protection Risks" - Hao Cai (Geneva Graduate Institute, Switzerland) • "Solutions and Protection Response in North-East Nigeria" - Ramsey Bryant (UNHCR, Nigeria) • "Forced Returns and Protection Risks in Niger" - Aliou Salihou Maiga (UNHCR, Niger) • "The Human Rights Based Approach to IDP Solutions" - Paula Gaviria Betancur (UN Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Internally Displaced Persons, Colombia)

15.30– 15.45	Set-up break
15.45– 16.30	Plenary – Distinguished Keynote
	<p><i>“From Displacement to Solutions: Pathways to Break Patterns of Protracted Internal Displacement”</i> Robert Piper, Special Adviser on Solutions to Internal Displacement Office of the United Nations Secretary General</p>