

EMN Educational Seminar

„Forced Migration – Causes and Possible Solutions“

19 – 21 August 2014

Hotel Mercure, Žabotova 2, Bratislava, Slovakia

FINAL PROGRAMME

Seminar topics:

Causes of contemporary displacement and current situation with regard to forced migration • Humanitarian operations as a response to conflicts and crises • Asylum and other forms of international protection • Resettlement as a vital tool of international protection • Refugee hotspots in the Mediterranean region

19 August (Tuesday):

8.30 – 9.00 Registration

9.00 – 9.30 Opening of the seminar and welcoming of the participants

Zuzana Vatráľová, IOM Bratislava

Bernard Prielcel, Migration Office, Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic

9.30 – 10.30 Causes of contemporary displacement and current situation with regard to forced migration

Caroline Van Buren, UNHCR Regional Representation for Central Europe, Budapest

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break

11.00 – 12.15 Why to protect refugees? General and EU perspectives

Boldizsár Nagy, Eötvös Loránd University; Central European University, Hungary

12.15 – 13.15 Lunch

13.15 – 14.15 Migratory trends in the Mediterranean

José Angel Oropeza, IOM Coordinating Office for the Mediterranean and

IOM Mission for Italy and Malta

14.15 – 14.45 Coffee break

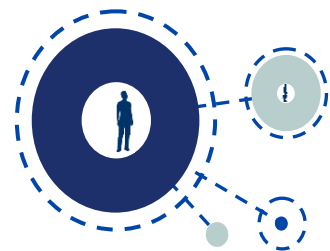
14.45 – 16.00 Beyond short-termism. Anthropological Perspectives from Lampedusa

Gilles Reckinger, University of Innsbruck, Austria

18.30 – 20.30 EMN Discussion Evening: People Forced to Flee (KC Dunaj, Nedbalova 3, Bratislava)

We invite you to the screening of a documentary film Refugees: Who needs them? (2012, 74min., English subtitles), by US born filmmaker, Miles Roston, who follows for a year the dramatic story of four migrants – Fathi from Libya, Fasil from Ethiopia, Li Zhu from China and Renuka from Bhutan who were forced to leave their homes.

Screening will be followed by discussion with internationally recognised experts – Caroline Van Buren (UNHCR Regional Representation for Central Europe), Michael Gray (IOM Geneva Headquarters) and José Angel Oropeza (IOM Coordinating Office for the Mediterranean) – about forced migration and its causes, refugees and ways to help. The whole event will be conducted in English with no translation provided.



20 August (Wednesday):

- 9.00 – 10.00 IOM’s humanitarian operations in response to conflicts and crises**
Jo De Backer, IOM Regional Office for the EEA, the EU and NATO, Brussels
- 10.00 – 10.30 Coffee break**
- 10.30 – 11.30 Life in and management of the world’s largest refugee camps**
Caroline Van Buren, UNHCR Regional Representation for Central Europe, Budapest
- 11.30 – 12.30 Lunch**
- 12.30 – 13.30 Resettlement as a vital tool of international protection**
Michael Gray, Resettlement and Movement Management Division, IOM Geneva Headquarters
- 13.30 – 14.00 Resettlement through Slovakia: Emergency Transit Centre**
Zuzana Vatrálková, IOM Bratislava
- 14.00 – 14.30 Coffee break**
- 14.30 – 15.45 Perceptions and realities of environmentally-induced migration**
François Gemenne, Paris School of International Affairs, France
- 15.45 – 17.15 Migration and climate change:
How can we protect people who move and how should the EU respond?**
Alexander Randall, Climate Outreach and Information Network, United Kingdom

21 August (Thursday):

- 9.00 – 9.30 People just like us: Right to asylum – right to life**
film screening about refugees in Slovakia
- 9.30 – 10.15 Asylum in Slovakia: national legal framework**
*Miroslava Vozáryová, Comenius University in Bratislava;
Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic*
- 10.15 – 10.45 Coffee break**
- 10.45 – 11.30 Providing international protection in Slovakia**
Bernard Prielcel, Migration Office, Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic
- 11.30 – 12.00 Organisation of asylum facilities in the EU Member States –
outcomes of the EMN synthesis report**
Sheila Maas, ICFI (EMN Service Provider), Brussels
- 12.00 – 12.30 Concluding remarks and handing over the participation certificates**
- 12.30 – 13.30 Lunch**

*Please note that the English and Slovak interpreting will be provided during the whole event
except for the evening discussion (conducted in English).*