

TEN YEARS OF GUIDING PRINCIPLES ON INTERNAL DISPLACEMENT

Achievements and Future Challenges

Oslo Conference 16 –17 October 2008

PROGRAM (updated 15.10.2008)

| Time | Thursday 16 October – Hotel Continental, Oslo |
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| 08:00-09:00 | Coffee and Registration |
| 09:00-09:15 | <p>Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Secretary General Norwegian Refugee Council, Elisabeth Rasmusson ➤ Norwegian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Jonas Gahr Støre |
| 09:15-10:45 | <p>The Guiding principles on Internal Displacement - impact and lessons learned</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Oral testimony (audiovisual presentation) <p>Moderator: Head of Advocacy Section, Norwegian Refugee Council, Paul Nesse</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Keynote Speaker: UN High Commissioner for Refugees, Mr. Antonio Guterres ➤ Uganda, Minister of Relief, Disaster Preparedness and Refugees, Prof. Tarsis B. Kabwegyere ➤ Georgia, Minister of Refugees and Resettlement, Tamar Martiasjvili ➤ Turkey, On behalf of Governor Mehmet Niyazi Tanilir: Ambassador Hayati Güven <p><i>Background documents:</i></p> <p><u>Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement</u></p> <p><u>Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement - Annotations: Revised Edition 2008</u></p> <p><u>Internal Displacement: Global Overview of Trends and Developments in 2007 (IDMC)</u></p> <p><u>Roberta Cohen: Listening to the Voices of the Displaced: Lessons learned</u></p> |
| 10:45-11:15 | Coffee/Tea Break |
| 11:15-13:00 | <p>The relevance of the Guiding Principles when addressing internal displacement caused by natural disasters and climate change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Oral testimony (audiovisual presentation) <p>Moderator: Resident representative of NRC in Geneva, Arnchild Spence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Keynote Speaker: Under Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, John Holmes ➤ Mozambique, Deputy Director General of the National Institute for Disaster Management, Casimiro Abreu ➤ Republic of Maldives, Project Coordinator, National Disaster Management Centre, Mr Mohamed Yasir ➤ Director of the Operational Support Department International Organization of Migration Mr. Pasquale Lupoli |

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| | <p><i>Background documents:</i></p> <p><u>IASC Operational Guidelines on Human Rights and Natural Disasters</u></p> <p><u>Future Floods of Refugees: A Comment on Climate Change, Conflict and Forced Migration (NRC)</u></p> <p><u>RSG Background paper on climate change</u></p> |
| 13:00-14:30 | Lunch at Theatercafeen |
| 14:30-15:30 | <p>Humanitarian Actors – Commitment to the protection of IDPs</p> <p>➤ Oral testimony (audiovisual presentation)</p> <p>Moderator: Non Resident Senior Fellow The Brookings Institution and Senior Adviser Brookings-Bern project on Internal Displacement, Roberta Cohen</p> <p>➤ UN High Commissioner for Refugees, Mr. Antonio Guterres</p> <p>➤ Under Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, John Holmes</p> <p>➤ Director General International Committee of the Red Cross, Mr. Angelo Gnaedinger</p> <p><i>Background documents:</i></p> <p><u>Humanitarian Response Review; Executive Summary</u></p> |
| 15:30-16:00 | Coffee/Tea Break |
| 16:00-17:45 | <p>Future directions for the protection of IDPs through domestic law and legally binding regional and sub-regional instruments</p> <p>➤ Oral testimony (audiovisual presentation)</p> <p>Moderator: Co-Director of the Brookings-Bern Project on Internal Displacement and Senior Fellow Brookings Institution, Elisabeth Ferris</p> <p>➤ Keynote Speaker: Representative of the UN Secretary-General on the Human Rights of Internally Displaced Persons, Dr. Walter Kälin – Protecting Internally Displaced Persons: A Manual for Law and Policymakers</p> <p>➤ Magistrate of the Colombian Constitutional Court, Dr. Manuel José Cepeda</p> <p>➤ Executive Secretary of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region, Liberata Mulamula</p> <p>➤ Chairperson CoE Parliamentary Assembly Committee on Migration, Refugees and Population Mrs. Corien W.A. Jonker</p> <p><i>Background documents:</i></p> <p><u>Protecting Internally Displaced Persons: A Manual for Law and Policymakers</u></p> <p><u>Great Lakes Protocol on the Protection and Assistance to Internally Displaced Persons</u></p> <p><u>Great Lakes Protocol on Property Rights of Returning Persons</u></p> <p>Closing remarks</p> <p>➤ Representative of the UN Secretary-General on the Human Rights of Internally Displaced Persons, Dr. Walter Kälin</p> <p>➤ Secretary General of the Norwegian Refugee Council, Elisabeth Rasmusson</p> |
| 18:30-20:00 | <p>Reception at the Nobel Peace Center hosted by State Secretary for International Development, Håkon A. Gulbrandsen, Ministry of Foreign Affairs;</p> <p>Launching of the film "Forced to Flee" by OCHA's Integrated Regional Information Networks (IRIN)</p> |