Programme Day 1 – 28 September 2017

From 8:15
REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE

9:30 - 10:30
WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

- Introduction: Sandie Blanchet, Director, UNICEF Office for Relations with EU Institutions
- Monique Pariat, Director General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations, European Commission’s Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO)
- Ingrid-Gabriela Hoven, Director General, Department for Global Issues, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany (BMZ)
- Marjeta Jager, Deputy Director-General, European Commission’s Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development (DG DEVCO)
- Ted Chaiban, Director, Programme Division, UNICEF

10:30 - 11:15
KEY NOTE SPEECH

Stefan Dercon will reflect on key challenges of the evidence agenda for social protection, in contexts of protracted crises and forced displacement, and future promise - drawing from his own expertise - and laying out challenges for the conference. This session welcomes an audience discussion.

- Chair: Dr Sarah Cook, Director, UNICEF Office of Research - Innocenti
- Keynote Speaker: Stefan Dercon, Chief Economist of DFID

11:15 - 11:45
COFFEE BREAK

11:45 - 13:00
HIGH-LEVEL PANEL

High-level panellists from different backgrounds discuss experiences, existing challenges and potential of social protection in contexts of protracted crises and forced displacement, including political and advocacy efforts. The panel will be followed by a question and answer session with audience members, intended to set the stage for debates that will follow during the next sessions.

- Moderator: Jean-Louis De Brouwer, Director of Europe, Eastern Neighbourhood and Middle East, European Commission’s Directorate-General for Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO)
- Judith, Refugee from Rwanda
• Oleksandra Churkina, Deputy Minister of Social Policy for European Integration, Ministry of Social Policy, Ukraine

• Florence Nakiwala Kiyengi, Minister of State for Youth and Children Affairs, Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development, Uganda

• Dr Göran Holmqvist, Director, Department for Asia, Middle East and Humanitarian Assistance, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)

13:00 - 14:00  LUNCH  Foyer

14:00 - 15:30  PARALLEL SESSIONS: SOCIAL PROTECTION IN CONTEXTS OF PROTRACTED CRISIS

PARALLEL SESSION 1A: DESIGNING, IMPLEMENTING AND EFFECTIVENESS OF SOCIAL PROTECTION SYSTEMS IN CONTEXTS OF PROTRACTED CRISIS

This session will focus on the feasibility and modalities for setting up national social protection systems in contexts of extreme fragility and protracted crisis. The experience of Somalia will serve as case study, examining how the government and development partners are starting to work together to transition from short-term emergency response towards a longer-term poverty reduction strategy. Maryan Qasim, Minister of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management, will present national action plans for developing a social protection framework, building on the on-going drought response and cash-based interventions. Opportunities and challenges for the way forward will be discussed together with researchers and donors.

o Chair: Dominique Burgeon, Director of Emergency and Rehabilitation Division and Strategic Programme Leader – Resilience, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

• Minister Maryan Qasim, Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management, Somalia

• Ric Goodman, Director for Resilience, DAI Europe

• Chris Porter, Humanitarian Head of Profession, Department for International Development of the United Kingdom (DFID)

• Joseph Chege, Food Security Specialist, Office of Food for Peace, United States Agency for International Development (USAID) East Africa
PARALLEL SESSION 1B: CIVILIAN-CRISIS MANAGEMENT AND SYSTEMIC SOCIAL PROTECTION DEVELOPMENT IN CONTEXTS OF PROTRACTED CRISES

This session will explore the potential benefits of adopting a systems approach to social protection in fragile contexts. Drawing on experiences in Afghanistan, Somalia, and elsewhere, the session will provide illustrations of social protection systems in conflict-affected countries which encompass the whole of government as well as civil society interventions. This will include for example, the involvement of civilian-crisis management initiatives and the security sector. Discussion will focus on how humanitarian and development action can be undertaken through joint approaches that cut across sectors, considering not only the most effective tools but also their wider potential impacts in a fragile context.

- **Chair**: Eppu Mikkonen-Jeanneret, Senior Adviser for Global Social Policy, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland
- **Dr Alema Alema**, Deputy Minister of Refugees and Repatriation, Government of Afghanistan
- **Sheree Bennet**, Research and Evaluation Adviser, International Rescue Committee (IRC)
- **Pia Stjernvall**, Ambassador for Civilian Crises Management, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland

PARALLEL SESSION 1C: THINKING LONG(ER) TERM IN FRAGILE CONTEXTS

This session will explore ways to take a longer-term perspective when making use of social protection in protracted crises, in order to contribute to resilience building, while being sufficiently agile to respond to immediate needs. Panelists will present examples in which improved outcomes were achieved for child and family wellbeing and livelihood resilience over the longer term. The discussion will focus on a) the role of social protection in transitioning from fragility to stability over the longer term; b) ways to replicate learning in similar contexts; c) how development and humanitarian actors can combine efforts for progressive extension of social protection for better outcomes in contexts of protracted crisis and d) remaining evidence gaps and how these might be addressed.

- **Chair**: Dr Joanne Bosworth, Regional Adviser, Social Policy, UNICEF Europe and Central Asia Regional Office (ECARO)
- **Dr Sheraz Khan**, Coordinator of Social Health Protection Initiative, Department of Health, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan
- **Tilman Brück**, Founder and Director of the International Security and Development Centre
- **Paul Harvey**, Chief Executive, Secure Livelihoods Research Consortium

**15:30 - 16:00** COFFEE BREAK

Foyer
PLENARY 1 - SOCIAL PROTECTION IN FRAGILE CONTEXTS: LESSONS LEARNED AND MOVING FORWARD

The three preceding parallel session moderators will briefly present the main lessons and conclusions from their respective sessions. An expert panel representing practitioner and research perspectives will then share their reactions, including ideas on how to move forward as an international community to address outstanding issues and key challenges.

- **Moderator:** Steen Jorgensen, Director for Social Protection, Labour and Jobs, World Bank Group
  - Natalia Winder Rossi, Deputy Director (a.i.) / Social Protection Team Leader, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
  - Carell Laurent, Deputy Director, Centre for Resilience / Foreign Service Officer, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
  - Dr Fabio Veras, Senior Researcher, International Policy Centre for Inclusive Growth (IPC-IG)
  - Camilla Knox-Peebles, Deputy Humanitarian Director, Oxfam

SPEED NETWORKING SESSION 1

Participants will have the opportunity to learn about ongoing activities, new research and knowledge products related to social protection in contexts of protracted crisis or forced displacement. These brief, interactive sessions will run in parallel, restarting every ten minutes, to allow participants to learn about a wide range of topics of interest.

- **Moderator:** Juergen Hohmann, Social Protection Expert, European Commission’s Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development (DG DEVCO)

1. **CASH+ Approach in Fragile Contexts** - Asha Sawyer, Cash Based Interventions Coordinator, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Somalia
2. **Building Social Protection Floors in Contexts of Fragility and Forced Displacement** - Heiko Hering, Senior Public Health Officer, Division of Programme Support and Management, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), and James Canonge, Social Protection Policy Officer, Social Protection Department, International Labour Organization (ILO)
3. **UNICEF’s Experience with Humanitarian Cash and Voucher Programmes in the Middle East and North Africa – Lessons Learned** - Arthur van Diesen, Regional Adviser, Social Policy, UNICEF Regional Office for the Middle East and North Africa (MENA)
4. **Voices of the Displaced and the Role of Social Protection** - Claudia Ah Poe, Senior Food Security Adviser, Vulnerability Analysis Unit, Programme and Policy Division, World Food Programme (WFP)
5. **Cash Transfer Programmes and Food Security in Fragile States - Case Studies in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Somalia, Sierra Leone, Uganda, and Chad** – Dr Christoph Strupat, Economist, German Development Institute


8. **The Case of Marawi Siege: Department of Social Welfare and Development’s Social Protection Interventions for Internally Displaced Families** - Nestor B. Ramos, Regional Director, Department of Social Welfare and Development, Philippines


**18:00 - 19:00**  
**WELCOME RECEPTION**  
*Panoramic Hall*
Programme Day 2 - 29 September 2017

9:00 - 9:30 WELCOME 2nd DAY

The Arc

A series of short and compelling videos will be shown underscoring the impact of protracted crises and forced displacement on vulnerable populations and the role of social protection in these contexts. The host will offer brief remarks on key outputs from Day 1 and introduce the topics and agenda for Day 2.

- **Host:** Alexandra Yuster, Associate Director, Programme Division; Global Chief, Social Inclusion and Policy, UNICEF HQ

9:30 - 11:00 PARALLEL SESSIONS:

THE NEEDS OF FORCIBLY DISPLACED POPULATIONS AND THE ROLE OF SOCIAL PROTECTION

PARALLEL SESSION 2A: THINKING LONGER TERM IN CONTEXTS OF FRAGILITY AND FORCED DISPLACEMENT

Room 312

The session will focus on how to respond to the social protection needs of refugees and vulnerable groups and host communities in contexts where the changing nature of crises makes it difficult to foresee the extent and duration of forced displacement. The panellists will discuss how immediate crisis response and longer-term thinking can go hand-in-hand, how national capacities can be strengthened to expand social protection coverage to those vulnerable households most affected by crises, and how temporary social protection schemes can be transformed into sustainable national systems that can respond to current and future shocks. Recognising the specific contextual circumstances of the examples presented in this session, the discussion will examine both challenges and promising approaches to achieve improved outcomes in the long run. In particular, the session will look at institutional, political economy, and legitimacy issues beyond ‘technical’ challenges to facilitate longer-term planning and systems strengthening.

- **Chair:** Dr Silvia Morgenroth, Head of Division 321 “Tackling the Root Causes of Displacement”, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany (BMZ)

- **Mario Abou Zeid,** Senior Adviser to the Minister for the Refugee Portfolio, General Supervisor of the Lebanon Crisis Response Plan, Ministry of Social Affairs, Lebanon

- **Kenn Crossley,** Deputy Director, Programme and Policy Division, World Food Programme (WFP)

- **Violet Warnery,** Deputy Representative, Programme Section, UNICEF Lebanon
PARALLEL SESSION 2B: MEETING COMMITMENTS IN RECEIVING COUNTRIES: EXTENDING SOCIAL PROTECTION TO DISPLACED PERSONS

Participants in this session will examine questions around ‘adequate’ social protection in receiving countries, taking into account opportunities and limitations for extending coverage or developing specific social protection provision to the refugee population in receiving countries with varying domestic political and public support. The session will also look into evidence on the effects of social protection systems on mental well-being and social tensions in and between displaced and host communities with important implications for programme design.

- Co-Chair: Massimo La Rosa, Global Thematic Coordinator on Forced Displacement and Migration, European Commission’s Directorate-General for Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO) & Camilla Hagström, Deputy Head of Unit of DEVCO B3, Migration and Employment, European Commission’s Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development (DG DEVCO)
- Ramazan Özdağ, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Family and Social Policies and Social Policy General Directorate of Social Assistsances, Turkey
- Jonathan Campbell, Deputy Country Director, World Food Programme (WFP) Turkey
- Dr Francesca Bastagli, Head of Social Protection and Social Policy Programme, Overseas Development Institute

PARALLEL SESSION 2C: EFFECTIVE SOCIAL PROTECTION FOR DISPLACED PERSONS IN THE URBAN SETTING

Urbanisation now looms large as a critical dimension of providing social assistance to displaced populations. Approximately 60% of refugees end up in urban areas; a trend that looks destined to continue. This urban gravitation generates very specific needs and challenges. It presupposes the development of social protection provision suited to these circumstances in receiving countries. Assisting policy makers to adapt their social protection approaches in such a direction would ensure better provision for displaced persons. This session will discuss these issues and provide existing empirical evidence on the consequences of and solutions for unburdening basic social support services in urban areas.

- Chair: Dr Andrew Mitchell, Senior Solutions Officer, Social Protection and Resilience, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
- Farrokh Sasani, Deputy Director General, Bureau for Aliens and Foreign Immigrants’ Affairs, Iran
- Byron Alfonso Romero Peña, Sub Secretary for Family Matters, Ministry of Social and Economic Inclusion, Ecuador
- Dr Amber Peterman, Social Policy Specialist, UNICEF Office of Research - Innocenti
- Dr Ugo Gentilini, Senior Economist, Social Protection and Jobs Global Practice, World Bank Group
11:00 - 11:30 | COFFEE BREAK | Foyer

11:30 - 12:30 | PLENARY 2 – FORCIBLY-DISPLACED POPULATIONS AND THE ROLE OF SOCIAL PROTECTION: LESSONS LEARNED AND MOVING FORWARD | The Arc

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- **Moderator:** Ewen Macleod, Senior Adviser for Development, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
- **Arthur van Diesen,** Regional Adviser, Social Policy, UNICEF Regional Office for the Middle East and North Africa (MENA)
- **Dr Francesca Bastagli,** Head of Social Protection and Social Policy Programme, Overseas Development Institute
- **Valérie Schmitt,** Deputy Director and Head of the Flagship Programme, Social Protection Department, International Labour Organization (ILO)
- **Emily Henderson,** Humanitarian Adviser and Global Emergency Cash Transfers Lead, Conflict and Humanitarian Affairs Department, Department for International Development of the United Kingdom (DFID)

12:30 - 14:00 | LUNCH | Foyer

14:00 - 15:30 | SPEED NETWORKING SESSION 2 | Rooms 311 & 312

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**Moderator:** Yukimi Ogaki, Programme Policy Officer, Safety-Nets & Social Protection Unit, Policy & Programme Division, World Food Programme (WFP)

This last session of the conference aims to consolidate key learning and opportunities to strengthen social protection in contexts of fragility and forced displacement and to recommend concrete actions to deliver on the global commitments. In this session a high-level panel representing national governments, humanitarian actors, development partners and donors will examine the emerging trends from the two day conference to make concrete recommendations from their perspectives for a forward looking agenda.

- **Moderator:** Leila Pakkala, Regional Director, UNICEF Eastern and Southern Africa Regional Office (ESARO)
- **Andreas Proksch**, Director General, Sector and Global Programmes Department, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
- **Minister Maryan Qasim**, Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management, Somalia
- **Dominque Burgeon**, Director of Emergency and Rehabilitation Division and Strategic Programme Leader – Resilience, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- **Jean-Louis De Brouwer**, Director of Europe, Eastern Neighbourhood and Middle East, European Commission’s Directorate-General for Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO)
17:00 - 17:15 THANKS AND CLOSURE FROM CONFERENCE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

- **Sarah Laughton**, Chief, Safety-Nets & Social Protection Unit, Policy & Programme Division, World Food Programme (WFP)
- **Eppu Mikkonen-Jeanneret**, Senior Adviser for Global Social Policy, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland
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