Preliminary Programme Schedule

International E-Conference

Migration, Diasporas and Sustainable Development: Perspectives, Policies, Opportunities and Challenges

2-5 November 2020

Jointly Organised by

Global Research Forum on Diaspora and Transnationalism (GRFDT), New Delhi, India,
Migrant Forum in Asia (MFA), Manila, Philippines,
Center for Research on North America (CISAN), UNAM, Mexico

Day 1: 02 November 2020

INAUGURATION
2PM-4PM Geneva | 8PM-10PM Manila | 5:30PM-7:30PM India | 06:00 AM– 08:00 AM Mexico | 7AM-9AM NYC (*Kindly check for winter time changes)

MC
Ms. Paddy Siyanga Knudsen, Migration Governance Analyst, Zambia

Welcome Address
Mr. William Gois, Migrant Forum in Asia

About the Conference
Prof. Camelia Tigau, CISAN, UNAM, Mexico

Inaugural Address
Amb. William Lacy Swing, Former Director General, IOM and former United States Ambassador, and United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Under Secretary General

Keynote Speech
Complexifying Complex Diasporas
Prof. Steven Vertovec, Managing Director, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Göttingen, Germany

Vote of Thanks
Dr. M. Mahalingam, President, GRFDT

Rapporteur
Ms. Melissa Hernández Jasso, UNAM, Mexico

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## Plenary Sessions

### Plenary Session I (Day 2): 03 November 2020

**Session:** GCM Objective 10: Prevent, Combat and Eradicate Trafficking in Persons in the Context of International Migration

**Panelists:**
2. Anusha Abeywickrama-Munasingshe, National Program Officer, UNODC Regional Office for South Asia
3. Chandrika Karunaratna, Team Leader of the UN Development Programme in Sri Lanka
4. Moomina Waheed, Commissioner, Human Rights Commission of the Maldives

**Time:** 04:00 PM — 05:30 PM Geneva time | 10:00 PM — 11:30 PM Manila time | 05:00 PM — 06:30 PM Doha Time | 07:30 PM - 09:00 PM India time | 08:00 AM — 09:00 AM Mexico | 09:00 AM — 10:00 AM NYC

**Rapporteur:** Maria Cristina Fernández Hall

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### Plenary Session II (Day 3): 04 November 2020

**Topic:** Diaspora Engagement

**Chair:** Prof. Binod Khadria

**Session Coordinator:** Ms. Paddy Siyanga Knudsen

**Keynote Address:** Representative from Government of Portugal

**Discussants:**
1. Judith Bokser Misses Liwerant, National Autonomous University of Mexico
2. Speranta Dumitru, University of Paris
3. Maria Amelia Viteri (University of Quito and University of Maryland) and Dlicia Molina (Clínica del Pueblo, Washington)
4. Prof. Andrés Solimano, Founder and Chairman, International Center for Globalization and Development (CIGLOB), Santiago, Chile

**Time:** 02:00 AM — 03:30 PM Geneva time | 08:00 PM — 09:30 PM Manila time | 03:00 PM — 04:30 PM PM Doha Time | 05:30 PM - 07:00 PM India time | 06:00 AM — 07:30 AM Mexico Time | 07:00 AM — 08:30 AM NYC

**Rapporteur:** Melissa Hernández Jasso

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### Plenary Session II (Day 4): 05 November 2020

**Topic:** Climate Change and Migration

**Discussants:**
1. Xóchitl Bada (University of Illinois, Chicago) with Shannon Gleeson (Cornell University)

**Time:** 03:30 PM — 04:30 PM Geneva time | 09:30 PM — 10:30 PM Manila time | 04:30PM — 05:30PM PM Doha Time | 07:00PM — 08:00PM India time | 07:30 AM — 08:30 AM Mexico Time | 08:30 AM — 09:30 AM NYC

**Rapporteur:** Tashryn Mohd Shahrin

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### Diaspora and Migrant Achievers

#### Day 1: 02 November 2020

**Moderator:** Mr. Shabari Nair, Labour Migration Specialist, South Asia

**Mr. Raffi Chilingirian,** Armenian duduk player based in Lebanon.

**Mr. José Olivarez,** author, poet and educator from Calumet City, Illinois, U.S. His "Citizen Illegal" was nominated for PEN/Jeàn Stein Book Award

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#### Day 2: 03 November 2020

**Moderator:** Dr. Nandini C Sen

**Mr. Victor Acosta,** President of ExaTech-Houston

**In Conversation with Mr. Gopinath Nair (Ms. Roula Hamati)**

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#### Day 3: 04 November 2020

**Moderator:** Dr. Amba Pande

**Rodrige Nacouzi,** CEO and founder of Transcorp International

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#### Day 4: 05 November 2020

**Moderator:** Ms. Paddy Siyanga Knudsen

**Ms. Baroness Prashar,** Member of House of Lords of the United Kingdom

**Mr. Ismail Einashe,** Journalist based in London

**P.M. Jabir,** Director of Kerala Pravasi Welfare Board & Community Welfare Secretary with the Indian Social Club in Muscat

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An Overview of Contemporary Trends and Patterns of Migration from Nepal to India: Issues and Challenges- Dr. Arpita Giri

Climate Poverty: Refugees and Forced Migration- Ms. Arushi Massey & Ms. Simran Massey

Climate induced migration and displacement in South Asia- Ms. Sabah Khan

Drought and seasonal migration in rural India: A comparative study among different income and social groups with a cross-sectional nationally representative dataset- Mr. Badsha Sarkar

In Search of a 'Refuge': Internal Migrants and Neoliberal Responses - Ms. Srinita Bhattacharjee

Climate Mobilities: Why we need a gender perspective? - Ms. Ayushi Rai

Women, Informality and Migration in India- Ms. Anuja Tripathi

Liminal journeys, liminal lives: Sindhi women refugees’ narratives of Partition and displacement-Radhika Mathrani Chakraborty

Virtual Diaspora: The Use of Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) among Congolese Migrants- Dr. Güler Canbulat Kamba

Looking Back At 'Home': Narratives Of East Bengali Refugee Women In West Bengal- Dr. Subhasri Ghosh

Impact of Forced Migration on the Socio-Economic Conditions of Communal Riot: A Study of Muzaffarnagar (UP)- Dr. Nisha

Society Induced Migration and Challenges: The Factors Influencing Migration in South East Asian Countries- Dr. Darshan N P

Governing Forced movements and the Making of the Ethnic- Dr. Sudeep Basu

Overcoming a life of despair: A narrative of the struggles of Indian Origin Tamils in Sri Lanka- Ms. Navaneeta Deori

Politics of Exception vs. Sustainable Development Goal Number Sixteen- Ms. Deedhiti Datta

Gender-Based Violence against Displaced Girls and Women amidst Covid-19 Outbreak: Legal Issues and Implications.- Ms. Sukla Saha

Psychological impact of the experience of vulnerability of Indonesian retired women migrant workers - Ms. Nur Ismi Ramadhani

Refugee—The Human Face of God: The Role of Christian Peacemaker in the Promotion of the Human Dignity of Refugees- Hadje C. Sadje

EU Refugee Crisis and Dimensions of International Relations- Ms. Evelyn Arieraynam


Segmented Assimilation? Diversified Integration Outcomes among the Vietnamese Boat People Settling in Hong Kong-Mr. Ka Wang Kelvin LAM

Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in Pakistan’s erstwhile FATA: Issues and Challenges- Mr. Abhishek Yadav

Forced Migration: Impact on Socio-Economic Status Of Informal Workers In India- Mr. Milind Sen

Development-induced Displacement and Development-induced Environmental Degradation: Understanding the Risks of Development on Communities & Environment in India- Faisal Mahmood

Integration Challenges of Syrian Women in the midst of Syrian Crisis - Saba Fatima

Ecological crisis and discourses of migration and infiltration in the Coastal areas of Odisha.- Ms. Ananya Pattanaik & Ms. Devika

Migración regional y lengua en el contexto de la interculturalidad: aproximación socio-histórica en la comunidad de San Marcos Tlacoya- Prof. Ignacia Morales Reyes, Prof. Sabino Martínez Juárez & Prof. Olivia Castillo Castillo

El circuito Puebla-Nueva York: transformaciones de una diáspora en movimiento- Cristina Cruz Carvajal

El turismo como alternativa de reintegración económica de los migrantes de retorno; el caso de Mariscal de Juárez, Oaxaca- Hazel Cáron Monroy & Arturo Larros Osorio

Gobernanza, políticas y gestión migratoria en el tránsito por México-Arturo Nieto Mendoza

La construcción de ciudadanía y la lucha por los derechos de los migrantes que en Nueva York en un contexto de necropolítica (2017-2020)- Fernando Gutiérrez Champion

### Rapporteurs:

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