



INCLUSION OF REFUGEES IN NATIONAL EDUCATION SYSTEMS

Spotlight Session

13:00-14:30 | Tuesday 17 December 2019 | Room 19 Palais des Nations

The session gives specific examples of different approaches that have made the inclusion of refugee, asylum seeking and displaced children and youth in national education systems a reality. It presents good practices and innovative country-led initiatives that illustrate policy implementation at national and local levels. The session discusses forward-looking approaches and practices, which governments and organizations undertake to address barriers to inclusion and speed up progress in aligning humanitarian response with sustainable development programming.

MODERATOR

- *Mr Elyas Abdi*, Director General, Ministry of Education, Kenya

SPEAKERS

Introduction

- *Mr Manuel Bessler*, Deputy Director-General, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Switzerland
- *Mr Per Olsson Fridh*, State Secretary to Minister for International Development Cooperation, Sweden

Inclusion at country level

- *Dr Kebede Tsegaye*, Education Coordinator, IGAD
- *Ms Angéline Neya Dombwa*, Technical Secretary for Education in Emergencies, Ministry of Education, Burkina Faso
- *Ms Julie Cram*, Deputy Assistant Administrator, USAID

- *Ms Ursi Krajnik-Schweizer*, Chief of Staff, Ministry of Social Affairs, City of Zurich, Switzerland
- *Ms Cecilia Scharp*, Assistant Director-General, Sida, Sweden
- *Ms Alice P. Albright*, CEO, Global Partnership for Education

Inclusion at local level

- *Dr Mahdi Mahmoudi*, Director General and Secretary General of Regularization Commission for Aliens and Foreign Immigrants, Iran
- *Mr Sakhi Rahjoe*, National Programme Director, Save the Children, Afghanistan
- *Mr Robert Sekadde*, Chief/Manager Thriving Schools Program, Building Tomorrow, Uganda