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“Searching for Solutions: Lessons and Warnings from Refugee Situations”

Workshop

15-16 August 2022

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Preliminary Programme

Monday, 15 August 2022

10:00 - 10:30 *Arrival and sign into Zoom*

10:30 – 11:00 **Welcome and Introduction**
Bidisha Biswas and Volker Heins

11:00 - 12:30 **Panel 1: Contentions about Responsibility**
Discussant: *Ramya Vijaya*

The Agency of First-Host States: Contestations about Responsibility-sharing in the Global Refugee Regime, *Tamirace Fakhoury & Bidisha Biswas*

Why Resettle Refugees? Unpacking Decision-making Processes in Japan and South Korea, *Naoko Hashimoto-Scalise*

How Durable Are ‘Durable Solutions’? The Shifting Grammar of Durable Solutions In Latin America, *Marcia Vera Espinoza*

Negotiating Durable Solutions In South-South Displacement Situations: Hosting State Responses to the Protracted Displacement of Syrian and Afghan Refugees, *Zeynep Mencutek and Katja Mielke*

12:30- 14:00 *Lunch Break*

14:00 - 15:30

Panel 2: The 'Non-Signatory' Hosts: South Asia

Discussant: *Bidisha Biswas*

Refugee Camp or Offshore Detention? The Curious Case of *Bhasan Char*,
Tazreena Sajjad

**Analyzing Distinctions in Protection: Legal Status and Government Policies
regarding the Rohingyas in Bangladesh and the Afghans in Pakistan,**
Rudabeh Sahid & Sadia Mahmood

**Protracted Displacement in India: Strategic Ambiguity in Refugee
Protection,** *Jay Ramasubramanyam*

**Between (Refugee) Protection and Solution: A Case Study from Bangladesh
and India,** *Samata Biswas*

15:30 - 16:00

Short Break

16:00 - 17:30

Panel 3: Unpacking Categories and Solutions

Discussant: *Zeynep Mencütek*

**Solved/Unsolved, Durable/Temporary: The Power of Categories in the
Resolution of Refugee Situations,** *Megan Bradley*

**The Economics of Refugee Integration: A Comparative Study of
Employment Policies in First-Host Countries,** *Ramya Vijaya and Bidisha
Biswas*

**The Power of Categorization: Durable Solutions and the Category
"Venezuelans Displaced Abroad",** *Feline Freier*

Durable Solutions: Theory, Practice and Disjuncture in African Contexts,
Rose Jaji

17:30 - 17:45

Short Break

17:45 - 18:00

Wrap Up

18:45 – 21:00

Dinner in Duisburg

Tuesday, 16 August 2022

9:30 - 10:00

Arrival and sign into Zoom

10:00 – 10:30

Welcome and Check in

Bidisha Biswas

10:30 - 12:00 Breakout Session

Breakout group 1: **Contentions about Responsibility**
 Breakout group 2: **The 'Non-Signatory' Hosts: South Asia**
 Breakout group 3: **Unpacking Categories and Solutions**

12:00- 13:00 *Lunch Break*

13:00 - 14:00 Conference Room

Discussion & Next Steps

14.00 - 14:15 Concluding Remarks
Bidisha Biswas and Volker Heins

Time Zone Converter

	Program Time (CEST)	Montreal (EDT)	Lima (PET)	Tokyo (JST)	
		UTC + 1	UTC - 4	UTC - 5	UTC + 9
Monday , 15. August 2022	Welcome & Introduction	10:30 – 11:00	04:30 - 05:00	03:30 - 04:00	17:30 - 18:00
	Panel 1	11:00 - 12:30	05:00 - 06:30	04:00 - 5:30	18:00 - 19:30
	<i>90 Minute Break</i>				
	Panel 2	14:00 - 15:30	08:00 - 09:30	07:00 - 08:30	21:00 - 22:30
	<i>30 Minute Break</i>				
	Panel 3	16.00 - 17:30	10:00 - 11:30	09:00 - 10:30	23:00 - 00:30
	<i>15 Minute Break</i>				
	Wrap Up	17:45 - 18:00	11:45 - 12:00	10:45 - 11:00	00:45 - 01:00
	End of Day 1				
Tuesday, 16. August 2022	Welcome & Check in	10:00 – 10:30	04:00 - 04:30	03:00 - 03:30	17:00 - 17:30
	Breakout Session	10:30 - 12:00	04:30 – 06:00	03:30 - 05:00	17:30 - 19:00
	<i>60 Minute Break</i>				
	Conference Room	13:00 - 14:00	07:00 – 08:00	06:00 - 07:00	20:00 – 21:00
	Concluding Remarks	14.00 - 14:15	08:00 – 08:15	07:00 – 07:15	21:00 – 21:15
	End of Day 2				