

WOMEN'S DIALOGUE

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
9.00am	<p>Host: Geraldine Doney and Dr Linda Bartolomei</p> <p><i>Welcome and overview</i></p> <p>Dr Linda Bartolomei, Salwa Alhag and Shashika Peeligama</p>	CLB #3
9.45am	<p><i>Setting the scene</i></p> <p>Corrine Kumar, Asian Women's Human Rights Council</p>	CLB #3
10.15am	<p><i>Feedback from local dialogues</i></p> <p>Women representatives from the local dialogues</p>	CLB #3
11.00am	MORNING TEA	CLB Foyer
11:30am	<p><i>Identifying solutions</i></p> <p>Working groups using storyboards to identify key issues for refugee women and girls, and recommendations to improve practice within Australia and internationally</p>	CLB #3 and various break out rooms
1.00pm	LUNCH	CLB Foyer
1.45pm – 4.00pm	Feedback from working groups/Storyboards, including working afternoon tea	CLB #3
3.15pm	WORKING AFTERNOON TEA	CLB #3
4.00pm	<p><i>Response to working groups</i></p> <p>Nelia Sancho, Asian Women's Human Rights Council</p> <p>Dr Jan Breckenridge, Director, Centre for Gender Related Violence Studies</p> <p><i>Moving forward – Planning for next steps</i></p> <p>Conference participation, international and local advocacy.</p>	CLB # 3
5.30pm	<p><i>Women's Banner Activity</i></p> <p>Closing with celebrating refugee women's voices</p>	CLB # 3

YOUTH FORUM

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
9.30am	<i>Welcome and overview</i> Host: Anne-Marie Taylor and Effie Mitchell	CLB #8
10.00am	<i>Human Rights Training</i> Participants will be given an overview of the human rights framework and then consulted about the issues they believe are important using storyboarding.	CLB #8
11.00am	MORNING TEA	CLB Foyer
11.30am	<i>Storyboarding</i> Storyboarding is a visual way of presenting current issues that refugee young people are facing today and propose solutions to these issues.	CLB #1 CLB #2
1.00pm	LUNCH	CLB Foyer
2.00pm	<i>Advocacy Training</i> This session will focus on providing participants with skills for how to undertake advocacy at the local, national and international levels and to effectively use their voices to represent refugee youth issues.	CLB #8
3.00pm	AFTERNOON TEA	CLB Foyer
3.30pm	<i>Football United Activity</i> Football United uses the magic of football to bring people together for the common goal of creating harmonious and cohesive societies. Networking and creating a community amongst young people is an important part of creating change. Through the Football United Activity, young people will be given the opportunity to network, socialise and have some fun.	Outside
4.30pm	<i>Tree of Life Performance</i> The Tree of Life sees young refugees from South West Sydney tell their stories in an interactive performance piece. Performers will tell their personal stories through live performance and multimedia, stemming from a series of workshops. Performers will be able to share their experiences before arriving in Australia, as well as their experiences upon resettlement in Australia.	Fig Tree Theatre

ACADEMICS' AND PRACTITIONERS' WORKSHOP

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
9.30am	<p><i>Welcome and Overview</i></p> <p>Host: Professor Anthony Zwi and Dr Eileen Pittaway</p> <p><i>Welcome to UNSW and the workshop:</i> Associate Professor Rogelia Pe-Pua, Head of School, School of Social Sciences and International Studies</p>	CLB #7
	<p>SESSION 1 – PERSPECTIVES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>What IS settlement? Migrants and refugees address the thorny question</i> – Cynthia Mackenzie, Spectrum Migrant Resource Centre 2. <i>'Hanging in between': The consequences of prolonged decision-making processes for spontaneous asylum seekers</i> – Rebecca Rotter, University of Edinburgh 3. <i>A role for citizen action in building more inclusive models of asylum seeker reception</i> – Diane Gosden, UNSW 	CLB #7
11.00am	MORNING TEA	CLB Foyer
11.30am	<p>SESSION 2A – HEALTH DELIVERY CHALLENGES, INNOVATION AND RESPONSES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Psychiatric Ethics and a Politics of Compassion: The case of detained asylum seekers in Australia</i> – Dr Deborah Zion, Monash University 2. <i>Improving primary health care delivery to refugees</i> – Dr Winston Low 3. <i>Refugees with Disability in Australia</i> – Sibylle Kaczorek, National Ethnic Disability Alliance 4. <i>Refugee Health Planning in NSW: Turning the evidence into policy</i> – Pamela Garrett, SSWAHS 5. <i>Sudanese African Women's Association and Women's Health Campaign</i> – Awadea Ibrahim and Nicole Cunningham, Sudanese African Women's Association 6. <i>So you want to be useful?</i> – Paula Watkins, UNSW 	CLB #7
	<p>SESSION 2B – SERVICE DELIVERY CHALLENGES, INNOVATIONS AND RESPONSES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Supporting the parenting needs of families with young children from refugee backgrounds</i> – Elisha Riggs, University of Melbourne 2. <i>The provision of education and settlement services for refugee children in Australia, UK, Norway, Denmark, Canada and the USA</i> – Clare Thompson, Churchill Trust 3. <i>New Zealand Refugee Orientation Education Programme</i> – Marilyn Carroll, AUT University 4. <i>Achieving continuous improvement through situational analysis: Some observations concerning the refugee upon-arrival programme in Aotearoa New Zealand</i> – Anna Jo Perry, Manukau Institute of Technology 5. <i>Shelter from the storm: Refugee housing in Melbourne's West</i> – Laura Berta, Footscray Community Legal Centre 6. <i>Australian refugee resettlement experiences: A review of the literature and implications for social inclusion</i> – Lisa Hartley, Murdoch University 	CLB #6
1.00pm	LUNCH	CLB Foyer

2.00pm	<p>SESSION 3 – YOUNG PEOPLE, YOUTH, IDENTITY</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Being me: Examining the journey of how former refugee youths shape a cultural identity for themselves in Australia</i> – Jonnell Uptin, University of Wollongong 2. <i>Centrelink Place Based Services Initiative for Young Refugees in Fairfield</i> – Sarah Pedroso, Centrelink 3. <i>“Some people don’t say hello!” Supporting social inclusion for newly arrived youth with refugee background</i> – Karen Block, University of Melbourne 4. <i>Understanding the value of innovative experiential education initiatives for young people from migrant or refugee backgrounds</i> – Alan Huynh, Extracurricular Education 5. <i>The ethics of informed consent: Lessons and challenges in working with young refugees in Sydney</i> – Julie MacKenzie, UNSW 	CLB #7
3.30pm	AFTERNOON TEA	CLB Foyer
4.00pm	<p>SESSION 4A – FAMILY AND COMMUNITY</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Facilitating development of social capital of humanitarian entrants and refugees: Engaging women and their children</i> – Liza Beinart, Save the Children 2. <i>Developing living theory for working with under five year old refugee children and their families</i> – Anna Jo Perry, Manukau Institute of Technology 3. <i>The Refugee Convention and China’s One-Child Policy: Estimating the Challenges to Asylum Policies in Australia</i> – Helen Pringle, UNSW 4. <i>Negotiating belongings from ‘home’ through asylum to settlement</i> – Melanie Baak, University of South Australia 5. <i>Men: The missing dialogue?</i> – Tobias Andreasson, University of Western Sydney 	CLB #7
	<p>SESSION 4B – PRACTITIONER AND SERVICE DELIVERY REFLECTIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>A day in the life of a roving protection officer</i> – Olivia Wellesley-Cole, SierraCom 2. <i>Community Capacity Building in Settlement Service</i> – Se Gun Song, University of Sydney 3. <i>A place to cry in my own language</i> – Jacqueline Mortimer-Hughes, AUT University 4. <i>Story-telling as an empowering and therapeutic process for former refugees</i> – Maria Hayward, AUT University 5. <i>Regionalisation of refugee protection in Latin America</i> – Fabiano de Menezes, University of Sao Paulo 	CLB #6
5.30pm	DAY I CONCLUDES	

YOUTH FORUM

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
9.00 – 10.30am	<p><i>Youth Forum Q&A Panel</i></p> <p>Through the Q&A session, young people will be able to explore issues with a panel of influential people and decision makers and ask them questions about issues that are important to them. In addition, questions that have surfaced throughout the Forum are able to be directed to those who may be able to do something about them.</p>	CLB #7
11.00am	MORNING TEA	CLB Foyer

ACADEMICS' AND PRACTITIONERS' WORKSHOP

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
9.00 – 10.20am	<p>SESSION 5 – NEW CONCEPTS AND EMERGING POLICY DEBATES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>“Safe haven”: Re-imagining Australia’s refugee policy and moving towards a more humane asylum program</i> – Robert Carr, University of Wollongong 2. <i>Doors and the damned: Reviewing contemporary trends in refugee and asylum policy in Australia and the European Union</i> – Katrina Stats, University of Adelaide 3. <i>Australia and asylum seekers: Situating the Gillard Government responses</i> – Caroline Fleay, Curtin University 	CLB #6
10.20am	<p>WRAP UP AND THANKS</p> <p>Host: Eileen Pittaway and Professor Anthony Zwi</p>	CLB #6
10.30am	MORNING TEA	CLB Foyer

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TIME	SESSION	VENUE
9.30am	Registration desk opens	CLB Foyer
10.15am	MORNING TEA	CLB Foyer
11.00am	<p><i>Conference Opening</i></p> <p><i>Host:</i> Dr Eileen Pittaway, Centre for Refugee Research, UNSW</p> <p><i>Welcome to Country:</i> Dennis Golding, Nura Gili, UNSW</p> <p><i>Welcome to UNSW:</i> Professor James Donald, Dean Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences</p> <p><i>Welcome to UNHCR Commemorations:</i> Richard Towle, Regional Representative UNHCR Regional Office for Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and the Pacific</p> <p><i>Welcome to the Refugee Conference 2011:</i> John Gibson, President of the Board, Refugee Council of Australia</p>	CLB #7
12.00pm	<p><i>Opening plenary session</i></p> <p><i>Keynote Speaker 1:</i> Dr Melika Yassin Sheikh-Eldin, AMES</p> <p><i>Keynote Speaker 2:</i> Senator Kate Lundy, Parliamentary Secretary for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs</p>	CLB #7
2.00pm	LUNCH	CLB Foyer
3.00pm	<p>SESSION 1 – REGIONAL PROTECTION FRAMEWORKS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The geopolitical dynamics of refugee protection • Legal perspectives on regional protection frameworks • Psychosocial perspectives on regional protection frameworks • Regional protection advocacy: A civil society perspective <p><i>Speakers:</i> Richard Towle, Dr Savitri Taylor, Dr Zachary Steel and Grant Mitchell</p>	CLB #7
4.15pm	AFTERNOON TEA	CLB Foyer
4.30pm	<p>SESSION 2A: REFUGEE STATUS DETERMINATION AND ACCESS TO UNHCR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International law and regional/responsibility-sharing schemes • Legal challenges of offshore processing in Australia and their possible ramifications for regional processing schemes • Practical perspectives on refugee status determination procedures within Australia (by contrast to offshore processing) • Development challenges in the region • Access to UNHCR within the region <p><i>Speakers:</i> Anoop Sukumaran, Tamara Domicelj, Associate Professor Michelle Foster and Linda Kirk</p>	CLB #7

PROGRAM – DAY 2

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4.30pm	SESSION 2B: RECEPTION AND DETENTION <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Current practices of reception/detention of asylum seekers in Australia and the region• Examples of community-based alternatives to immigration detention (eg. legislation, policy and practices that allow for asylum seekers and refugees to live in the community with freedom of movement)• Community-based approaches to asylum seeker homelessness• The role of government and non-government organisations in developing and implementing reception models for asylum seekers and refugees that are in line with human rights and international law <p><i>Speakers:</i> Robyn Sampson, Caz Coleman and Najeeba Wazzefadost</p>	CLB #6
DR KENNETH RIVETT MEMORIAL EVENING		
6.00pm	CONFERENCE WELCOME RECEPTION	CLB Foyer
7.00pm	<i>Personal Stories from Six Decades of Refugee Protection</i> <p>Six refugees who arrived in Australia over the six decades since the ratification of the Refugee Convention will tell stories of their journeys to safety in Australia, bringing personal perspectives on refugee movements from Eastern Europe, Latin America, South-East and South-West Asia and Africa. The event is organised by the Refugee Council of Australia in memory of Kenneth Deakin Rivett (1923-2004), a founding member of the Refugee Council and the Australian Refugee Foundation, a committed advocate for immigration reform and an Associate Professor in economics at the University of NSW.</p>	CLB #7
8.00pm	DAY CONCLUDES	

INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL CONTEXT OF DURABLE SOLUTIONS: ENDING PROTRACTED SITUATIONS

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
9.00am	<p>SESSION 1 – DURABLE SOLUTIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are durable solutions? A global overview of challenges and approaches for UNHCR • Civil society concerns with current State approaches to resolving protracted refugee situations • The relevance of durable solutions to the various circumstances facing displaced people in the Asia-Pacific region <p><i>Speakers:</i> Dr Jeff Crisp and Blooming Night Zan</p>	CLB #7
10.00am	<p>SESSION 2 – CHALLENGES IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil society/refugee responses to camp situations in Thailand • Civil society engagement with urban refugees in Malaysia • A refugee perspective on the difficulty of not having refugee status, gaining protection and accessing UNHCR. <p><i>Speakers:</i> Sally Thompson and Renuka Balasubramaniam</p>	CLB #7
11.00am	MORNING TEA	CLB Foyer
11.30am	<p>SESSION 3A – Camps: Asia-Pacific Region</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> SC Chandrahassan, James Thomson and Blooming Night Zan</p>	CLB #1
	<p>SESSION 3B – Camps: International Protracted Situations</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Dr Eileen Pittaway, Dr Melika Sheikh Eldin, Arja Keski-Nummi and Corinne Kumar</p>	CLB #2
	<p>SESSION 3C – Urban: Issues of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Dr Linda Bartolomei, Katrina Maliamau, Cheery Zahau and Nelia Sancho</p>	CLB #3
	<p>SESSION 3D – Stateless and ‘Statuslessness’</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Dr Savitri Taylor, Dr Kamal Hussein and Tenpa Dugdak</p>	CLB #4
1.00pm	LUNCH	CLB Foyer
1.15– 2.15pm	<p>LUNCHTIME SESSIONS – <i>Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex Panel</i></p>	CLB #1
	<p>LUNCHTIME SESSIONS – <i>Australian Cultural Orientations (AUSCO) Program</i></p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Muhammed Ramadan – Trainer, Australian Cultural Orientation Program, Istanbul, Turkey Serin Hetou – Trainer, Australian Cultural Orientation Program, Beirut, Lebanon</p> <p>Two trainers delivering pre-departure orientation for refugees coming to Australia from the Middle East are currently in Australia as part of an exchange program with two Australian agencies providing post-arrival settlement services for refugees and humanitarian entrants. The trainers will engage in a dialogue about the Australian Cultural Orientation (AUSCO) program, including challenges to it and the refugees it services.</p>	CLB #2

ASYLUM AND SETTLEMENT IN AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
2.30pm	SESSION 1 – Settlement and asylum issues in Australia and New Zealand Speakers: Michael White and Amrit Versha	CLB #7
3.30pm	SESSION 2A – The past 30 years of Australian refugee settlement Speakers: Paris Aristotle and Alex Burns	CLB #1
	SESSION 2B – Reflections on the women at risk program Speakers: Rebecca Eckert , Salwa Alhag and Masalam Damey	CLB #2
	SESSION 2C – Comparing Australian and New Zealand asylum policies Speakers: Federal Magistrate Rolf Driver and Rodger Haines QC	CLB #7
	SESSION 2D – Settlement in regional Australia Speakers: Meg Davis and Deidre Moulden	CLB #3
	SESSION 2E – Models of engaging refugees in settlement support Speakers: Joseph Youhanna , Monireh Sabet and Adam Awad	CLB #4
4.30pm	AFTERNOON TEA	CLB Foyer
5.00pm	SESSION 3A – Refugee settlement in New Zealand Speakers: Kafeba Mundele and Heather Hayden	CLB #1
	SESSION 3B – Role of the family in effective settlement Speakers: Brooke McDonald-Wilmsen and Mohamed Dukuly	CLB #2
	SESSION 3C – Impact of detention on long-term settlement Speakers: Ida Kaplan and Abdul Hekmat	CLB #3
	SESSION 3D – Youth perspectives on refugee settlement Nadine Liddy will co-present with participants from the Youth Forum	CLB #4
PROFESSOR JANE McADAM IN CONVERSATION WITH DR JEFF CRISP		
6.00pm	EVENING RECEPTION	CLB Foyer
7.00pm	PROFESSOR JANE McADAM IN CONVERSATION WITH DR JEFF CRISP Professor Jane McAdam , Faculty of Law, UNSW will be in conversation with Dr Jeff Crisp , Head, Policy Development and Evaluation Services UNHCR Geneva who will discuss – <i>International Refugee Protection: Reflections on the role of UNHCR in the context of the 60th Anniversary of the Refugee Convention</i>	CLB #7
8.00pm	DAY CONCLUDES	

SO, NOW?

TIME	SESSION	VENUE
9.30am	SESSION 1 – Session Rapporteur Reports Brief reports highlighting the key outcomes from the Women’s Dialogue, Youth Forum and the three Conference streams: Regional Protection Frameworks; International and Regional Context of Durable Solutions: Ending Protracted Situations; and Asylum and Settlement in Australia and New Zealand.	CLB #7
10.00am	SESSION 2 Facilitated small group discussion to identify the three recommendations for government and three pledges to be taken to the UNHCR June Standing Committee, and the Annual Consultations with NGOs and Ministerial Meetings 7–8 December 2011	
	<i>Group 1 – Dialogue with refugee women</i>	CLB #1
	<i>Group 2 – Refugee Youth Forum</i>	CLB #2
	<i>Group 3 – Regional protection frameworks</i>	CLB #3
	<i>Group 4 – International and regional context of durable solutions: Ending protracted situations</i>	CLB #4
	<i>Group 5 – Asylum and settlement in Australia and New Zealand</i>	CLB #7
11.00am	MORNING TEA	CLB Foyer
11.30am	Keynote speaker: Mr Peter Hughes PSM , Former Deputy Secretary, Policy and Program Management Group, Department of Immigration and Citizenship	CLB #7
12.15pm	Keynote speaker: The Hon Chris Bowen MP , Minister for Immigration and Citizenship	CLB #7
1.00pm	LUNCH	CLB Foyer
1.00–2.00pm	LUNCHTIME SESSION – Climate Change & Displacement Hosts: Sarah Terkes and Paul Brown Introduction to the UNSW Leadership Network for Climate Change, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animation video created by students and climate change educators • Performance art by Latai Taumoepeau on climate change displacement in the Pacific • Johannes Luetz documentary video on climate change displacement in Bolivia and the Carteret Islands • Group Q & A 	CLB #7
2.00pm	WHERE TO FROM HERE? Host: Dr Eileen Pittaway and Dr Linda Bartolomei <i>Part 1:</i> Rapporteurs from the five groups in Session 2 each outline their group’s recommendations to government and UNHCR. <i>Part 2:</i> Commitments to take these recommendations forward: actions and actors to take each recommendation and pledge forward at the national and international levels are identified.	CLB #7
3.15pm	CLOSING ADDRESS Speakers: Cheery Zahau Paul Power , CEO Refugee Council of Australia Dr Jeff Crisp , Head, Policy Development and Evaluation Services UNHCR	CLB #7
4.30pm	CONFERENCE CLOSE AND AFTERNOON TEA SERVED	CLB Foyer