

## **GLOBAL REFUGEE FORUM**

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# Consultations in Europe, Middle East, East Africa

Workshops with Refugee and Diaspora Representatives This report is summarising the discussions held with 77 representatives of refugee-led and diaspora organisations<sup>1</sup> during four regional workshops in Europe, Middle East, East Africa and an online workshop organized and facilitated by DRC from August until December 2019.

In addition to its direct support to displacement effected people, DRC supports civil society to have the agency and space to enable the fulfillment of rights of people affected by conflict and displacement. As part of this work, DRC also has a long-standing engagement with diaspora communities across Europe, seeking to facilitate and enhance their role as an effective transnational civil society and agents of change that contribute to humanitarian assistance, recovery and development in their countries of origin.

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<sup>1</sup> The terms refugee and diaspora are not technically separate categories but are for the sake of this paper mentioned separately to indicate that engagement targeted people living in active displacement as well as those that have attained a solution to their displacement through permanent settlement in host countries.

### **Background information**

The Global Compact on Refugees is a framework for more predictable and equitable responsibility-sharing, recognizing that a sustainable solution to refugee situations cannot be achieved without international cooperation.



Its four key objectives are to: a) ease pressures on host countries; b) enhance refugee self-reliance; c) expand access to third-country solutions; d) support conditions in countries of origin for return in safety and dignity.

The first Global Refugee Forum (GRF), which will take place on 17 and 18 December 2019 in Geneva, Switzerland, is a unique occasion for UN Member States and other stakeholders to:

- Deliver concrete pledges and contributions that will advance the objectives of the Global Compact to achieve tangible benefits for refugees and host communities.
- Highlight key achievements and exchange good practices, both with respect to specific country or regional situations, as well as on a global level.

The Global Refugee Forum will focus on:

- Arrangements for burden and responsibility-sharing
- Education
- Jobs and Livelihoods
- Energy and Infrastructure
- Solutions
- **Protection Capacity**

Ahead of the Global Refugee Forum, DRC organized preparatory workshops for representatives of refugee-led and diaspora organisations at regional (Europe, East Africa, Middle East) and global level from July until December 2019. The objective of the workshops was to achieve participation of refugee-led and diaspora organisations at the 2019 Global Refugee Forum.

### Rationale & objectives of the consultations

DRC, via its civil society engagement unit, has engaged with diasporas of displacement-affected countries as agents of change in relation to their countries of origin since 2010. The engagement has mainly focused on diaspora from Afghanistan, Somalia, and Syria in Denmark and Europe, and on supporting them to deliver relevant activities in their former home countries. In addition. DRC has facilitated a broader mobilization. coordination and advocacy of diasporas towards UN, EU and host governments' policies and initiatives towards their former home countries, along with direct engagement with the governments in these countries. Working to facilitate constructive diaspora engagement is a natural continuation of DRC's work with people in displacement, based on a recognition of displaced people as a resource for their countries of origin and destination, as active stakeholders towards their own solutions, and as legitimate agents of change towards common goals of improving the situation for displaced and conflict affected people around the world.

The Global Compact on Refugees makes a direct reference to the participation of refugees as part of a multi-stakeholder approach and explicitly mentions diasporas as a stakeholder group. To further strengthen diaspora and refugee voices at the Global Refugee Forum 2019, DRC facilitated and promoted meaningful participation of diaspora and refugee-led organisations via workshops at regional and international level. Such workshops served to achieve two objectives:

- Raise awareness and foster networking among refugee-led and diaspora organisations thereby enabling displacement-affected voices to assert themselves and contribute to the implementation of the Global Compact on Refugees on issues of concern
- Facilitate diaspora and refugee-led organisations to present good practice from their activities and make relevant pledges towards the Compact's objectives.









### **Outline of the consultations** Four regional workshops

Funded by UNHCR, DRC organized a series of four regional workshops with representatives of communitybased refugee-led and diaspora organisations, so they could contribute and participate at the 2019 Global Refugee Forum. The workshops were held in Europe on 31 August - 1st September 2019 in Berlin (24 participants), on 14 September 2019 in Copenhagen (16 participants), in the Middle East on 5-6 October 2019 in Istanbul (16 participants), and in East Africa on 26-27 November 2019 in Nairobi (21 participants).

The purpose of the regional workshops was to identify good ideas, map existing good practices, and facilitate collaboration around pledges and commitments from those working at the grassroots level with refugees in their host country and region of origin.

The consultations engaged a total of 77 individuals representing refugee-led and diaspora organisations from a range of countries across Europe, the Middle East

and East Africa in a day and a half of discussion. The participants were selected based on their expression of interest and the below criteria:

- Being a representative of diaspora or refugee-led organisation/network responding to the situation of refugees at policy or operational level in the region
- Having knowledge of the Global Compact on Refugees or an interest or experience in global advocacy processes
- Being willing and able to engage actively in the whole process until December 2019
- Age, gender and diversity considerations have been given due regard for the composition of the groups

The organisations were all working in some capacity to improve the well-being and uphold the rights of refugees and asylum-seekers in their countries of residence, on the move from their countries of origin, or living in displacement in host countries closer to home. Some of the organisations were working with communities in countries of origin as well.

The workshops introduced the GCR, the specific purpose and modalities of the Global Refugee Forum. DRC facilitated conversations on views, interests and potential commitments towards contribution and participation of the refugee and diaspora stakeholder group at the Global Refugee Forum in December 2019, including how they could showcase their own existing practices for refugees, to make pledges on further joint action or advocacy.

The regional workshops ensured that participants:

- were informed about the Global Refugee Compact, its processes and objectives, including relevant discussions / issues / dilemmas that were likely to be discussed at the Global Refugee Forum 2019;
- identified challenges and gaps that could be met by pledges and partnerships by refugee and diaspora actors as a basis to develop further;
- discussed good practices from the refugee-led and

- diaspora organisations that could be presented at the Global Refugee Forum to seek further partnerships be replicated, and/or broadened in scale;
- elected a Steering Committee of 4-6 representatives to coordinate the efforts of the group towards the Global Refugee Forum and four regional representatives to attend the Global Refugee Forum in Geneva on behalf of the groups. The representatives have the responsibility to represent the agreed priorities of the regional consultations, report back the discussions and conclusions from the Global Refugee Forum, and coordinate follow-up actions with the groups.

### **Online Global Workshop**

Based on above regional workshops, diaspora and refugee representatives met online on 11 December 2019 to agree on the specific contributions that diaspora and refugee-



led organisations would make at the Global Refugee Forum. During the Global Diaspora workshop, the participants:

- Presented the results and outcomes of the regional workshops;
- Agreed on the good practices to be showcased and the pledges that diaspora and refugee-led organisations would make and pursue at the Global Refugee Forum.

# Main outcomes of the regional consultations

All the working groups chose to focus mainly on protection, education, jobs and livelihoods, and energy and infrastructure, as 'solutions' outcomes such as resettlement and complementary pathways<sup>2</sup> were seen to be more within the remit of States. Protection was broadly interpreted by the groups, and sometimes included elements that touch on other thematic areas, such as education and solutions.

Participants generally agreed that employment is crucial for asylum seekers and refugees. This is especially true since employment is a vehicle for refugees to contribute to society rather than remain beneficiaries. It was pointed out that not enabling refugees and asylum seekers to work would be a loss for the host countries. Participants also reported that education is essential to improve the living standards of refugees and is essential for contributing to society. At the same time, it was emphasized that employment and education paths must never overshadow the need for protection that refugees have.

The concerns raised in each country were reflective of local circumstances, and ranged from questions of mutual cultural education between host and diasporarefugee communities in Germany, to the need for mentoring young refugees in navigating the educational system in Denmark, to difficulties in securing employment and stable livelihoods for refugees in Turkey, and the importance of education, digital literacy for those living as refugees in Kenya.



<sup>2</sup> Complementary pathways are safe and regulated avenues that complement refugee resettlement and by which refugees may be admitted in a country and have their international protection needs met while they are able to support themselves to potentially reach a sustainable and lasting solution. Source: UNHCR: https://www.unhcr.org/complementary-pathways.html

### **WORKSHOP IN EUROPE - BERLIN**

### Key issues and priorities discussed for refugees in Europe

- The importance of increasing inclusion of and focus on women in various aspects of work with refugees, including support to helping women access employment and self-reliance;
- · The need for organisations to be consulted and involved at all stages in the displacement axis;
- The importance of helping new arrivals with the integration process, and the need for mutual cultural education between host community/duty-bearers, and those arriving
- Early measures to support access to employment, including access for asylum-seekers to meaningful activities (jobs, relevant training, on-the-job training) during the processing period;
- Improve recognition of qualification, and diploma equivalence in order to ensure that previous skills and competences are taken into consideration. This is particularly relevant for those with higher education from their home countries, who have access to certificates;
- The challenges for refugees of retaining a cultural and legal identity in the new country of residence;
- There are many who still fall within the gaps of service provision: the most vulnerable; asylum seekers before their cases are decided; those whose cases are rejected; those in detention. Advocacy and programmes are needed for these people to allow asylum seekers to live in dignity and to provide for themselves and their families.



### **Examples of good practices**

- **#1 Early integration of asylum seekers in Mariestad/Sweden.** Usually, integration services are first available once asylum has been granted, so a special project has been implemented for asylum seekers that includes a range of activities: language classes (for illiterates via an Afghan teacher), vocational training, internships, coaching, job matching, skills mapping, support to develop CVs, health education, social and environmental events, partnerships with civil society partners (e.g. for computer classes, flower design, women groups and guitar classes creating free-of-charge activities for asylum seekers).
- **#2** Changing narratives via employment in France. Refugee employment as an entry point for changing narratives showing that refugees can be a resource and contribute to society. The French Refugee Council<sup>3</sup> reached out to large employers and offered match-making between employment gaps and the skills of refugees. FRC also created awareness on opportunities for employers to create jobs for refugees (incentives, support schemes) and has conducted employment fairs to show success stories. Partnership is pending w. APEC (employment agency for highly qualified workers).
- #3 Afghan Academy International<sup>4</sup> Community-initiated and self-funded organisation that works to preserve memory and cultural identity via library and study center digital platform in addition to physical space. The objective is to build trust, reestablish confidence, peace-building as a basis to manage multiple identities. It is also a cultural hub for young and old, a safe place for women to meet as well as for the Afghan community across ethnic groups.

### **Pledge**

The diaspora and refugee-led organisations support the pledge of the Global Refugee-led Network<sup>5</sup> to meaningfully engage refugees themselves in all processes and decisions which affect them.

<sup>3</sup> https://www.frenchrefugeecouncil.com/

<sup>4</sup> https://www.afghanacademy.org.uk/

<sup>5</sup> https://www.globalrefugeelednetwork.org/pledge/

### **WORKSHOP IN DENMARK - COPENHAGEN**

### Key issues and priorities discussed for refugees in Denmark

- · Changing the narrative to see refugees as an asset and a positive economic value for the country;
- · Improving access to relevant job and entrepreneurship opportunities for refugees and newcomers;
- Recognizing refugees' skills, qualifications, experience with certificates;
- Mapping skills and qualifications among refugees and private sector and providing support for strengthening these skills through specific trainings, in particular for women, that are linked to market opportunities;
- Encourage private sectors to recruit refugees.

### **Examples of good practices**

- **#1** "Mind your own business" and "Refugee Entrepreneurs Dk": Initiatives supporting refugee entrepreneurs. The initiatives operate as an incubation role supporting the entrepreneur in the construction of a business from start-up to a realization stage, as well as giving the refugees access to potential investor networks and reciprocal partnerships for mutual benefit.
- **#2** "StudentRefugees" and the Buddy Programme: The platform focuses on how to overcome common obstacles and barriers that people with a refugee status find when trying to access education. Refugee students are matched with Danish students to help them with practical matters and the Danish academic culture.
- **#3 Tranpolinhuset** and "Refugees Welcome Denmark" platform: Volunteer-led platforms that offer free legal advice for refugees and asylum seekers.

### **Pledge**

Pledge submitted by the group: establishment of a Danish refugee/diaspora-led platform for all interested refugee and diaspora-led organisations to:

- Improve community-based information to refugees and newcomers through sharing of updated legal information and services and opportunities available to refugees / diaspora
- Function as a joint voice for refugees / diaspora groups towards media and authorities.



<sup>6</sup> https://myob.dk/

<sup>7</sup> http://refugeeentrepreneursdenmark.dk/

<sup>8</sup> https://studentrefugees.dk/en/about/

<sup>9</sup> https://www.trampolinehouse.dk/

<sup>10</sup> https://refugeeswelcome.dk/

### **WORKSHOP IN MIDDLE EAST - ISTANBUL**

### Key issues and priorities discussed for refugees in Turkey & the Middle East

- The constraints faced by refugees because of the lack of adequate documentation, hindering them to move around the country, or to access services, housing, land and property (HLP), etc.;
- The exclusion of national NGOs and CSOs from refugee camps, and from certain sectors of services to refugees, such as education, vocational training, legal support;
- The detention and deportation of thousands of refugees, especially Afghans, from Turkey, without any media attention to the problem and protection referral pathways;
- The difficulties of living in Turkey as a refugee when access to employment and livelihoods is so limited, especially for the most remote and vulnerable groups;
- The challenges for refugees of retaining a cultural identity when they are not allowed to educate their children in the language of their country of origin;
- The need for donors, support agencies and host governments to treat all refugees living within their borders equitably, not allowing one group of refugees better access to services than another (eg. one-refugee approach);



- Reflections on security, discrimination and alienation become prominent when looking at the root causes of forced displacement and conditions in countries of origin;
- Technological innovations of volunteers working on radio communications in country of origin (road safety, cleaning campaign, social programmes and official salary transfers) were listed as some good practices.

### **Examples of good practices**

- **#1 Asam organisation**<sup>11</sup> in Turkey is working with newly arrived women in need of immediate health assistance and related translation services (hospital).
- **#2** "Homs League Abroad"<sup>12</sup> provides vocational training for Syrian refugee widows in Antakya in partnership with a Turkish organisation and funded by UNICEF.
- **#3 Door Beyond War**<sup>13</sup>: micro-finance/crowd-funding initiative for diaspora and refugees to become the donors and supporters of local projects with a revolving effect as the incomes of the projects are re-invested to support new projects.
- **#4 Kesh Malek**<sup>14</sup> **Kafwe project** is empowering Syrian women economically to close the gender gap in the labour market.

### **Pledge**

When permitted diaspora and refugee-led organisations commit to play a complementary role alongside other stakeholders in addressing the needs of refugees, asylum seekers and returnees, and to engage further.

<sup>11</sup> https://sgdd.org.tr/

<sup>12</sup> http://www.alalusifoundation.org/homs-league-abroad

<sup>13</sup> http://doorbeyondwar.org/

<sup>14</sup> https://www.keshmalek.org/

### **WORKSHOP IN EAST AFRICA - NAIROBI**

### Key issues and priorities discussed for refugees in East Africa

- The need for Community-based organisations (CBOs) and refugee-led organisations to be consulted and involved at all stages of refugee response;
- Recognition, visibility and financial support for CBOs and refugee-led organisations implementing activities and programmes to support refugees in camps and urban settings;
- · Access to quality (mainstream) education and not alternative "refugee" education/vocational training;
- · Improving the access and the rapidity of registration and documentation processes for refugees;
- CBOs and refugee-led organisations need a platform for networking, and accessing new funding and investments from diaspora and private sectors;
- Supporting and partnering with national and local authorities to prevent and fight violence, discrimination and corruption faced by the most vulnerable refugees in camps and urban settings (LGBTQ, women, children, disables);
- Improving the access to basic services such as bank accounts (financial inclusion) and skills/vocational training opportunities for refugees to become self-reliant;
- Supporting new partnerships with private sector to improve infrastructures and internet access in camps to enable refugees to access online education, vocational training and job opportunities;
- · Advocating for expanding resettlement places, private sponsorships and alternative pathways.

### **Examples of good practices**

- **#1 Kiron**<sup>15</sup> provides digital learning skills Kiron enables refugees around the world to access higher education through digital solutions and partnerships with universities. It does not charge fees and students can start studying with Kiron regardless of their location or residence circumstances.
- #2 Dafi Kenya Student Organisation (Dafikeso)<sup>16</sup> provides diploma scholarships in Kakuma, Dadaab camps and in urban settings in Kenya, as well as career guidance and a mentorship programme.
- **#3 INVER**<sup>17</sup>: Works on e-banking system to build financial inclusion and access to loans among refugee communities.
- **#4 Aamin organisation**<sup>18</sup>: Provides free health services to refugees affected by GBV in Dadaab camp.



### **Pledge**

The community-based organisations commit to engage with any local, national and international stakeholders devoted to work with local partners in order to strengthening the collective response to refugee situations

<sup>15</sup> https://kiron.ngo/en/

<sup>16</sup> http://dafikeso.org/

<sup>17</sup> https://inverkakuma.wixsite.com/inverkakuma/about

<sup>18</sup> https://aamin.so/

### Conclusion

The workshops confirmed that refugee-led and diaspora organisations have significant capacity to improve the lives of those affected by displacement. Through their knowledge, access, they have sizeable experience and expertise to inform public debates and innovate policymaking.

In all four workshops, participants expressed interest in such workshops being repeated in the future. These workshops should be viewed as an initiation dialogue among civil society organisations on the GCR, CRRF and GRF which require further maintenance, expansion and investment should they seek to build on the wider objectives of the GRF.

While there were a limited number of concrete pledges and contributions received, a great deal of good practices has been shared before the GRF, and intentions of wider learning, replication and scaling up interest. Once the GRF has provided a clearer roadmap on what funding, pledges, and plans are forthcoming from stakeholders such as governments, local authorities, the private sector, donors and international organisations, the objective to promote a more consolidated GRF will be apparent and partnership with grassroots organisations will become a concrete possibility.

Diaspora, community-based and refugee-led organisations in the three regions are eager to continue to play a complementary role alongside other stakeholders in addressing the needs of refugees, asylum seekers and returnees, and to engage further. Diaspora have a strong ability to serve the interest of GRF and relevance to inform policy and widen the understanding of how to support displaced populations by bringing their experiences on the ground into policy related discussions.

Through this consultation initiative, DRC has gained valuable insights into what meaningful engagement with refugee-led and diaspora organisations can look like and how it could aid policymakers in widening its appreciation of the voices of those effected by displacement. The consultations have highlighted that increased formal and structured engagement between refugees and diasporas speaks to the GRF interest and objectives.

DRC intends to build on this initiative and the learning gained to date to further ensure that relevant civil society actors have the agency and space to enable the fulfillment of rights of people affected by conflict and displacement.

### Diaspora and Refugee Representatives elected to attend the Global Refugee Forum on 16 -18 December 2019



Sara Kobli, is a young woman from the Ivory Coast, with a strong commitment to contribute to creating a better perception of refugees and diasporas as assets in Denmark.

Since her arrival in Denmark, Sara has successfully initiated many cultural, philanthropic and business activities that led her to be elected in her municipality of residence, Gladsaxe, as Member of the Integration Council and Representative to the Danish Council for Ethnic Minorities, as well as named 'Cultural Dynamo' by Gladsaxe's Cultural Center. Sara has just started COASTI, an exotic beverage company, and is successfully running AFRICAN VILLAGE, an organisation promoting the African Culture and Cooperation in Denmark by collaborating with African Embassies and Associations, as well as Danish institutions. Sara wishes to be an active stakeholder in promoting the enhancement of refugee self-reliance as one of the efficient solutions to respond effectively to refugee situations.



Amany Qaddour serves as the Regional Director of Syria Relief & Development (SRD), a Syrian-American humanitarian NGO that has operated inside Syria, Jordan and Turkey since 2011. To date, SRD has delivered programming to over 7 million people with over \$76 million in aid. SRD has focused on service provision through integrated and holistic programming in the sectors of Health, Protection and Empowerment.

Amany serves as an Associate Faculty member at Johns Hopkins University and is currently obtaining her Doctor of Public Health (DrPH) degree from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. She has served on the Board of Directors of the American Red Cross and currently serves on the Advisory Committee of DisasterReady. She was born in Homs, Syria and primarily grew up in the United States. With her father from Homs, mother from Damascus, and grandfather from Aleppo, Amany feels privileged to have known much of Syria through her frequent visits and studies in her beloved country along with the deep bonds shared with family there.



Najib Obaid BABAKERKHAIL is the Founder and Director of French Refugee Council-FRC, a refugeeled organisation. FRC is ensuring access to education, employment opportunities, legal information and livelihoods projects for asylum seekers and refugees in France. Since 2016, "Community Link Programme", an initiative that connects local citizens with asylum seekers and refugees through languages classes, has helped more than 951 immigrants, refugees, asylum seekers as well as unaccompanied minors.

As a refugee human rights activist, Najib has founded a European Network of refugees called "Our Voice" that represents voices of refugees with more than 30 members in 14 different European countries. He has recently been awarded the Diversity Leadership Award as "Diversity Hero in France" in Ireland and received the "Diversity Champion Award" under the public category by the inclusive companies Award in the UK and the APN Aspire Award by the Afghan Professional Network-UK.



Aisha Ali Mohamood is a 25year old Ugandan woman. She is the Founder of "I-Profile Foundation", an organisation dedicated to financial literacy education for young adults in Uganda. Aisha also runs HOPE HUB, a community empowerment center in the semi-urban Kisenyi settlement of Kampala district which is largely inhabited by mostly Somali refugees and asylum seekers. The Hub is run in conjunction with the US Embassy Kampala.

As a descendant from a migrant family living in Uganda, Aisha grew up seeing the challenges that many migrants and refugees face in communities where they settle. This is what led Aisha to create Hope Hub, a center where young refugees and asylum seekers in the Kisenyi area can learn new skills and access vocational training.

### **Annexes**

List of Participants, Berlin 31. August - 1. September 2019		
Name	Organisation	
Abdoullah Orebi	URNAMMU for justice & Human rights	
Adam Matan Obe	Anti-Tribalism Movement	
Assiya Majgan Amini	Afghan Academy International	
Dr Sadiqu Al-Mousllie	Initiative for Civilrights in Syria - ICS (IBS)	
Ehab Badwi	Syrian Youth Assembly (SYA)	
Hala Akari	Swedish Syrian Association	
Hammood Obaid	Rethink Rebuild Society	
Hazem Aboyouness	Alseeraj for development and healthcare	
Silence Chihuri	Fair Justice System for Scotland Group (FJSS Group)	
Hsyan Abd Elrahim	Operazione Colomba	
Jawaahir Daahir	Global Somali Diaspora	
Kava Spartak	Yaar e.V.	
Majid Albunni	Verband Deutschsyrischer Hilfsvereine E.V.	
Mary Otuko	Foundation for Women's Health,Research and Development (FORWARD)	
May Samhouri	Al-SeerajSweden/SyrianSwedish Democratic Network/WASL/Syrian Diaspora Network Platform	
Milka Yemane	The Lemat foundation/Stichting Lemat	
Mr Liaquat Ali Hazara	Hazara United Movement, UK/North East Law Centre	
Najib Obaid Babakerkhail	French Refugee Council	
Ram Bahadur Chhetri	Bhutanese Community in The Netherlands (BCN)	
Reem Abbas	New women connector	
Rukaiyatu Ahmed	Foundation for Refugee Economic Empowerment	
Samah Ahmed	Shabaka	
Zubair Gharghasht	Afghan Voice CIC - Afghan Voice Radio	

List of Participants, Copenhagen 14 September 2019		
Name	Organisation	
Rana Hadding	Rådet for Etniske Minoriteter	
Awil Ali Kulane	SORADO	
Kirstine Damgaard Henriksen	Rådet for Etniske Minoriteter	
Sara Kobli	African Village	
Sonia Faizi	Salsal	
Miriam Saidi	SWEDA	
Abdullah Alsmaeel	Den Nye Havn	
Ebd alhamid Shekho	Syrian network in Denmark	
Yassin Osoble	OFROSOM	
Hozan Ibrahim	The Syrian Network in Denmark	
Lela yusufi	Salsal	
Nada Naanaah	The Syrian Network in Denmark, Dansk-syrisk Kulturforening	
Fatima Sheekh	Waamo Relief organisation	
Alice Al Maleh	Den Irakiske Kvindeliga	
Rebecca Jawher	Irakisk kvindersliga i Danmark	
Dina Hashem	The Iraqi Women's League	

List of Participants, Istanbul 5-6 October		
Name	Organisation	
Abd Alwahab Jessry	Big Heart Foundation - Syrian NGO Alliance	
Abdul Jalil Wafa	Afghan Refugees Association in Turkey	
Alireza YASA	Afghan Refugees Solidarity Association (ARSA)	
Amany Qaddour	Syria Relief & Development (SRD)	
Ashley Jordan	Door Beyond War	
Fadi Abu Halawa	Jafra Foundation for Relief and Youth Development	
Homaira Rahimi Mehraban	Asam	
Isam Khatib	Kesh Malek Organisation	
Mahmoud Asvad	Lawyers and Doctors for Human Rights (LDHR)	
Mohamad Oday Alnasan	Hand in Hand For Aid and Development	
Mohammad Ali Hekmat	Afghan Refugees Solidarity Association (ARSA)	
Nasiruddin Hussaini	Ignorant Refugees	
Saadeddin dakhil	Human Rights Guardians	
Tahareh Bakhshi	Afghan Refugees in Turkey/Bayburt	
Ubeyde Abdulkader	Homs League Abroad	
Zafar Shayan Hamidi	Afghan Refugees in Turkey; Erzurum Afghan Association	
Karam Hilly (not present, but elected in Steering Group)	Door Beyond War	

List of Participants, Nairobi 26-27 November 2019		
Name	Organisation	
Mr. Abdullahi Ali Muhumed	New Ways	
Mrs. Aisha Ali	I Profile Foundation /Hope Hub Uganda	
Mr. Amin Bolis Ismael	INVER (initiative for Nurturing Vulnerable & Empowerment for Resilience community Based Organisation	
Mr. Bahikye Kasika JeanPaul	Kituo Cha Sheria- Legal Advice Center, Forced Migration Program.	
Mrs. Hekema Ibrahim Mohammed	Sudanese Women For Peace & Development Association (SWFPDA)	
Mrs. Jessy Inga Volonté	Solidarity Inintiative for Refugees (SIR)	
Mrs. Joelle Hangi	Refugee Artist and Authors	
Mrs. Julia Korinyang Marko	Dafi kenya student Organisation	
Mr. Mohammed Farah Mohamed	Aamin Ambulance/ Amin Organisation	
Mr. Lukendo Mbokani Mparha	OneYouth OneHeart Initiative	
Mr. Matai Peter M. Muon	South Sudan Reading Society	
Mr. Mbazira Moses	Refugee Flag Kenya	
Mr. Pascal Lutanyalerwa Abandelwa	Ubuntu Iniative	
Mr. Peter Ladu Tibi	Resource Center for Civil Leadership	
Mr. Ramazani Katanangwa	MIBOSCO	
Mr. Simon Pey Tiek	I STRETCH MY HAND	
Mr. Solomon Ahumuza	Community Support Initiative for Refugees (COSIR)	
Mrs. Sudi Omar Noor	Kiron campus	
Mr. Yang Yohannes Gony	Dafi kenya Students Organisation (Dekafi)	
Mrs. Zainab Idris Mohammed	Daryeel Development Organisation	
Mr. Zigashane Bahati Pascal	URISE Initiative for Africa	

