

**THE 15th DUBAI INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AID AND DEVELOPMENT
CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION
5-7 MARCH 2018**

THEME: "THE SUSTAINABILITY OF EMERGENCY AID; THE INTENSIFYING SEARCH FOR THE APPROPRIATE STRATEGIES, METHODOLOGIES AND RESOURCES TO MEET THE GLOBAL HUMANITARIAN CHALLENGES IN THE YEARS AHEAD."

MONDAY, 5TH MARCH 2018 – DAY 1

09:30

Gathering of VIPs, Speakers, Sponsors, Media Representatives, International Scientific Advisory Board (DISAB) Members and Organizers in the "Dubai Majlis" of the Convention Centre;

10.00 – 11.00

OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE;

- H.H./H.R.H. (To Be Revealed Closer To Date)
- **H.E. DR. HAMDAN MUSALLAM AL MAZROUIE**, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF H.H. SHEIKH HAMDAN BIN ZAYED AL NAHYAN, PRESIDENT, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES RED CRESCENT AUTHORITY; (To Be Confirmed)
- **H.E. MR. IBRAHIM BUMELHA**, HUMANITARIAN ADVISOR OF H.H. SHEIKH MOHAMMED BIN RASHID AL MAKTOUM, CHAIRMAN, DIHAD HIGHER COMMITTEE AND PRESIDENT, DISAB;
- **H.E. MR. PIERRE KRAEHNBUHL**, COMMISSIONER-GENERAL, UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND WORKS AGENCY FOR PALESTINE REFUGEES IN THE NEAR EAST (UNRWA);

11:00 – 12:00

OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE EXHIBITION;

12:00 – 13:30

LUNCHEON

13.30 – 14.30

HIGH-LEVEL PANEL: "**Doing (Even) Better With The Resources In Hand.**"

- MODERATOR: **H.E. AMB. HESHAM YOUSSEF**, ASSISTANT SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS, ORGANISATION OF ISLAMIC COOPERATION;
- **H.E. AMB. LAURA THOMPSON**, DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION (IOM);
- **H.E. MS URSULA MUELLER**, UNITED NATIONS ASSISTANT SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS AND DEPUTY EMERGENCY RELIEF COORDINATOR, OCHA;
- **H.E. MR MOHAMED BEAVOGUI**, DIRECTOR-GENERAL, AFRICAN RISK CAPACITY, JOHANNESBURG;

14.30 – 16.00

SESSION 1

PANEL: Humanitarian Assistance Needs In Protracted Emergencies; How/When Do We Meet These Best?

- CHAIR: **H.E. MR. PANOS MOUMTZIS**, ASSISTANT SECRETARY-GENERAL, REGIONAL HUMANITARIAN COORDINATOR FOR THE SYRIA CRISIS;
- **DR. RICHARD BRENNAN**, DIRECTOR, EMERGENCY OPERATIONS, WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION;
- **DR. SHEBA CROCKER**, VICE-PRESIDENT, HUMANITARIAN PROGRAMMES AND POLICY, CARE USA;
- **DR. HUGO SLIM**, HEAD OF POLICY AND HUMANITARIAN DIPLOMACY, INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS (ICRC), GENEVA;

16.00 – 16.30

NETWORKING BREAK

16.30 – 18.00

SESSION 2

PANEL: Emergency Aid; The Needed Resources (Availability, Predictability, Prioritization);

- **MR. JEAN-LOUIS DE BROUWER**, DIRECTOR, EUROPE AND THE MIDDLE-EAST, DIRECTORATE-GENERAL ECHO;- CHAIR;
- **DR. RANDOLPH KENT**, DIRECTOR, THE FUTURES PROJECT, ROYAL UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTE FOR DEFENCE AND SECURITY STUDIES, LONDON;
- **MS. JUDITH RANDEL**, STRATEGIC ADVISOR, DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES, BRISTOL, UK;
- **MR. DOMINIC PARKER**, HEAD OF OFFICE FOR OCHA, AFGHANISTAN;

TUESDAY, 6TH MARCH – DAY 2

09.00 – 10.30

SESSION 3

PANEL: Emergency Aid; Innovative Methodologies & Enhanced Resilience.

- CHAIR; **MR. CLAUS SORENSEN**, SENIOR ADVISOR TO THE GOVERNMENT OF DENMARK ON RESILIENCE, HUMANITARIAN AID AND CRISIS RESONSE (EPSC) – CHAIR;

- **MS. ANNINA MATTSSON**, ACTING DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMS, “DUBAI CARES”, DUBAI;
- **MR. JESPER LUND**, CHIEF, EMERGENCY SERVICES BRANCH, OFFICE FOR THE COORDINATION OF HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS, (OCHA);
- **MR. SHUKRI AHMED**, DEPUTY STRATEGIC PROGRAMME LEADER – RESILIENCE; FAO, ROME;

10.30 – 11.00
NETWORKING BREAK

11.00 – 11.15
KEYNOTE ADDRESS

“The Humanitarian, Development & Peacekeeping Nexus”

- **H.E. MR. MOURAD WAHBA**, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR AND DIRECTOR, REGIONAL BUREAU FOR ARAB STATES, UNDP HEADQUARTERS, NEW YORK;

11.15 – 12.45
SESSION 4

PANEL: Emergency Aid; Development & Conflict Prevention.

- CHAIR: **MS. NAILA AHMED**, COORDINATOR FOR FORCED DISPLACEMENT IN MASHREQ REGION, THE WORLD BANK
- **MS. SABA AL MUBASLAT**, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, HUMANITARIAN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY, LONDON;
- **DR. EDITH FAVOREU**, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, GENEVA CENTRE FOR EDUCATION AND RESEARCH IN HUMANITARIAN ACTION (CERAH);
- **MS. CHRISTINA BENNETT**, HEAD, HUMANITARIAN POLICY GROUP, OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE, UK;

12.45 – 14.00
LUNCHEON

14.00 – 17.30
SPECIAL SESSION

PANEL: **The World Humanitarian Summit; The Outcomes.**

- CHAIR: **DR. MUKESH KAPILA**, PROFESSOR OF GLOBAL HEALTH AND HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS, UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER, UK; CHIEF EXECUTIVE, DEFEAT-NCD PARTNERSHIP (FORMER SPECIAL ADVISER TO THE WHS);
- **H.E. DR. ELIAS BOU SAAB**, VICE-PRESIDENT, AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN DUBAI; SPECIAL ADVISER ON INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO THE PRESIDENT OF LEBANON;
- **MR. NICK VAN PRAAG**, DIRECTOR, GROUND TRUTH SOLUTIONS, VIENNA, AUSTRIA;
- **MS. HARPINDER COLLACOTT**, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES, BRISTOL, UK;
- **MR. AYAZ MANJI**, DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL, KENYA RED CROSS SOCIETY, NAIROBI, KENYA;
- **DR. LINA ABIRAFEH**, DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN'S STUDIES IN THE ARAB WORLD, LEBANESE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, BEIRUT, LEBANON;
- **MR. ALEX JACOBS**, DIRECTOR, CASH LEARNING PARTNERSHIP, OXFAM HOUSE, COWLEY, UK;
- **MR. MICHAEL MOSSELMANS**, HEAD, HUMANITARIAN POLICY AND PRACTICE, CHRISTIAN AID, LONDON, UK;
- **MS. JUDITH GREENWOOD**, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CORE HUMANITARIAN STANDARD ON QUALITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY (CHS) ALLIANCE, GENEVA;
- **MS. YASMINE SHERIF**, DIRECTOR, "EDUCATION CANNOT WAIT" (A GLOBAL FUND FOR EDUCATION IN EMERGENCIES), NEW YORK;

15.30 – 16.00

NETWORKING BREAK

19.30 – 22.00

NETWORKING GALA

WEDNESDAY 7TH MARCH – DAY 3

09:00 – 09:15

Special Presentation

"The Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework"

- **MR. DANIEL ENDRES**, DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF RESILIENCE AND SOLUTIONS, UNHCR;

09.15 – 10.45

SESSION 5

PANEL: **“Emergency Aid; The Use Of New Technologies.”**

- CHAIR: **H.E. AMB . TOM FLETCHER**, VISITING PROFESSOR, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY ABU DHABI, UAE
- **MR. DAVID KAATRUD**, DIRECTOR, REGIONAL OFFICE FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC, WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME, BANGKOK;
- **MR. CHRIS EARNEY**, HEAD , INNOVATION SERVICE, UNHCR;
- **MR. IVOR MORGAN**, REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE (MIDDLE EAST), MEDAIR;

10.45 – 11.15
NETWORKING BREAK

11.15 – 12.45
SESSION 6
PANEL: **“Emergency Aid; Moral, Ethical & Political Considerations.”**

- CHAIR: **H.E. AMB. HESHAM YOUSSEF**, ASSISTANT SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS, ORGANISATION OF ISLAMIC COOPERATION;
- **MR. NEIL BUHNE** , UNITED NATIONS RESIDENT COORDINATOR; HUMANITARIAN COORDINATOR; UNDP RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE IN PAKISTAN;
- **MS. FATIMA GAILANI**, HEAD, COUNTRY CLUSTER SUPPORT FOR THE GCC, INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT SOCIETIES (IFRC);
- **MS. NORA SHARABATI JOUMBLATT**, CHAIR, KAYANI FOUNDATION AND CHAIR, ADVISORY BOARD, CHILDREN’S CANCER CENTRE OF LEBANON, BEIRUT;

12.45 – 14.00
LUNCHEON

14.00 – 15.30
Special Presentations

“New Technologies In Conflict Medicine..”

- **DR. GHASSAN ABU SITTA**, CO-DIRECTOR, CONFLICT MEDICINE PROGRAM, GLOBAL HEALTH INSTITUTE, AUB, BEIRUT;
“Building The Capacity Of Local Aid Workers Through Technology-Based Learning”
- **MS. TINA BOLDING**, DIRECTOR, DisasterReady.org;
“Planning From The Future For The Future..”
- **DR. RANDOLPH KENT**, DIRECTOR, THE FUTURES PROJECT, ROYAL UNITED SERVICES INSTITUTE FOR DEFENSE AND SECURITY STUDIES, LONDON;
“The IHC, New Directions.”

- **MR. GIUSEPPE SABA**, CEO, INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN CITY, DUBAI;

15.30

CLOSING ADDRESS

- **H.E. MR. SERGIO PIAZZI**, SECRETARY-GENERAL, PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF THE MEDITERRANEAN;

16.00

CHAIRMAN'S SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

- **H.E. AMB. GERHARD PUTMAN-CRAMER**, DIRECTOR, DIHAD INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD.