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The Migration Studies Delegation

Conference invitation from the Migration Studies Delegation (Delmi), Wednesday, 7 February 2018

Responsibility Sharing for Refugees and IDPs - Global, regional and national perspectives

The refugee crisis of 2015-2016 showed the failure of the current international refugee regime. The large number of asylum seekers risking their lives to reach European soil and the different measures implemented by European countries during the crisis unveiled the shortcomings of the Common European Asylum System (CEAS). Still, while Europe struggled to cope with the 1.3 million asylum seekers, countries in the Middle East and North Africa region have been hosting a larger number of refugees during a considerably longer period of time. These scenarios reveal an urgent need to find solidarity and common solutions for asylum policy. UN's forthcoming Global Compact, which will be adopted in September 2018, aims to address these questions. This Delmi conference intends to contribute to the debate about responsibility sharing for refugees from three perspectives: *Global, regional* and *national*.

At the conference, Delmi will launch three reports on responsibility sharing. In the first Delmi Report, <u>Responsibility Sharing for Refugees in the Middle East and North Africa</u>, **Prof. Susan Martin** focuses on the issue of responsibility for refugees and internally displaced persons in the Middle East and North Africa. The Report <u>Reforming the Common European Asylum System:</u> <u>Responsibility sharing and the harmonisation of asylum outcomes</u>, written by **Dr. Bernd Parusel** and **Dr. Jan Schneider**, focuses on the way forward in decision making on asylum and responsibility sharing in the European Union. The third report, <u>A fair Share: Refugees and Responsibility Sharing</u>, is written by **Prof. Alexander Betts**, Prof. Cathryn Costello and Dr. Natascha Zaun and studies state and non-state actors' refugee reception and develops a method of measuring the degree of solidarity.

When: Wednesday, 7 February 2018, kl. 08:30-12:00

Where: Rosenbad Conference Centre, Drottninggatan 5, Stockholm, Sweden

<u>Please RSVP</u> to attend by contacting Delmi via email at <u>iu.delmi@regeringskansliet.se</u> by Monday, 5 February 2018

Welcome!



Preliminary Program

8.15-8.30	COFFEE & REGISTRATION
8.30-8.35	WELCOME REMARKS Joakim Palme, Professor of Political Science at Uppsala University and Chairman of The Migration Studies Delegation
8.35-8.50	INTRODUCTION Heléne Fritzon, Minister for Migration and Deputy Minister for Justice
8.50- 9.30	PRESENTATION OF REPORT: A Fair Share: Refugees and Responsibility-Sharing Alexander Betts, Professor in Forced Migration and International Affairs, and Director of the Refugee Studies Centre at the University of Oxford
	COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS TBA.
9.30-10.15	PRESENTATION OF REPORT: Responsibility Sharing for Refugees in the Middle East and North Africa Susan Martin, Professor Emerita in International Migration at ISIM, Georgetown University
	COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS Erik Ullenhag, Ambassador of Sweden to Jordan and former Minister for Integration
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