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UNAOC Side Event:
“Combating xenophobic language in the media and fostering inclusive integration of migrants and refugees”

Co-sponsored by the European Union, the International Organization for Migration and the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Malta to the United Nations

Thursday 15 September, 10:00 – 13:00, Conference Room 5, United Nations Headquarters

AGENDA

10:00 – 10:50  High-Level Opening Remarks

H.E. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, United Nations High Representative for the Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC)

H.E. Ambassador Carmelo Inguanez, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Malta to the United Nations

H.E. Ambassador William Lacy Swing, Director General, International Organization for Migration (IOM)

Keynote Presentation:
H.E. Mrs. Karen AbuZayd, Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on the Summit on Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants

Emcee:
Nihal Saad, Chief of Cabinet and Spokesperson for the United Nations High Representative for the Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC)

10:50 – 11:00  Screening of “Exit Right” by Rupert Holler and Bernhard Wenger (Austria), UNAOC PLURAL+ 2015 winners

PLURAL+ Youth Video Festival is a joint initiative of UNAOC and IOM that invites the world’s youth to submit original and creative videos focusing on the themes of migration, diversity and social inclusion.
11:00 – 12:30  Panel

Moderator:
Arun Venugopal, Reporter and Host of Micropolis, WNYC

Panelists:

Cindy Carcamo, Staff Writer, Los Angeles Times

Damien Cave, Deputy National Editor for Digital, The New York Times

Rachel Peric, Deputy Director, Welcoming America

Mohamad Bazzi, Associate Professor of Journalism, New York University

Sharon Moshavi, Vice President, New Initiatives, International Center for Journalists

Designated discussants: [5 minutes each]

H.E. Ambassador João Vale de Almeida, European Union Ambassador to the United Nations

H.E. Ambassador Alvaro Albacete, Deputy Secretary General for External Relations, King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz International Centre for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue, KAICIID (TBD)

12:30 – 12:55  Q&A

Participants are invited to ask questions and share short comments with the panel. They may also join the conversation online using #SpreadNoHate

12:55 – 13:00  Closing

For more information about the UNAOC #SpreadNoHate initiative, visit: www.unaoc.org or email: HateSpeech@unaoc.org