

71st Session of the United Nations General Assembly

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



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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