

Empowering REFUGEE Women and Children

THROUGH EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

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SPEAKERS:



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The majority of refugees now seeking asylum as part of the European migrant crisis are women and children, leaving those groups particularly vulnerable to physical assault, human trafficking, exploitation, discrimination and other forms of abuse. Ensuring that women and children have access to quality education and employment has the potential to prevent those vulnerabilities, particularly while refugees are in transit, and provides crucial support environments upon arrival, benefitting both refugees and their host communities.

This panel will discuss the need for quality education and employment for refugee women and children, current practices addressing the issue, and other potential solutions.

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