

## **OPEN DEBATES: IDP AND REFUGEE CRISES IN KURDISTAN REGION OF IRAQ**

**Perspectives and definitions from the Kurdistan Region of Iraq:**

**What do politics, media and civil society think and do regarding the IDP and refugee crises?**

***November 17-18, 2016***

***Rixos Hotel - Dohuk***

**November 17, 2016**

### **Perspectives & Definitions from Decision-Makers & IDPs Decision-Making Office**

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| 09:30 - 10:00                   | Arrival and registration  |
| 10:00 - 10:10                   | <b>Opening Session</b>  |
|                                 | Welcoming words from <b>Mohammedali Taha</b> , Open Think Tank and <b>Nils Wörmer</b> , KAS Syria/Iraq  |
| 10:10 - 10:30<br>Prime Minister | <b>Keynote Speech</b> from the side of <b>H.E. Nechirvan Barzani</b> , of Kurdistan Regional Government |
| 10:30 - 11:00                   | <i>Coffee Break</i>   |

#### **Panel 1: Perspectives and Definitions from KRG on the IDP and Refugee Crisis**

**Chair: Mohammedali Taha, Open Think Tank**

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| 11:00 - 11:15 | <b>Pishtiwan Sadiq</b> , Minister of Education in KRG                  |
| 11:15 - 11:30 | <b>Mohammed Qadir Hawdiyani</b> , Minister of Labor and Social Affairs |
| 11:30 - 11:45 | <b>Newzad Hadi</b> , Governor of Erbil                                 |
| 11:45 - 12:00 | <b>Farhad Ameen Atrushi</b> , Governor of Dohuk                        |

12:00 - 13:00      **Discussion**

13:00 - 14:30      *Lunch*

### **Panel 2: Perspectives and Definitions from the IDP Decision-Makers**

**Chair: Nezar Esmat, Open Think Tank**

14:30 - 14:45      **Viyam Dakhil, MP, Iraqi Council of Representatives**

14:45 - 15:00      **Raid Isaac Matti, MP, Iraqi Council of Representatives**

15:00 - 15:15      **Nofel Hamadi, Current Governor of Mosul**

15:15 - 15:30      **Bashar Kiki, President of the Provincial Council of Nineveh**

15:30 - 16:30      **Discussion**

16:30 - 16:45      *Coffee Break*

16:45 - 17:00      **Day 1 Wrap Up: Hushyar Mosa, Open Think Tank**

19:00                      *Dinner*

**November 18, 2016**

### **Perspectives and Definitions from Civil Society and Media**

10:00 - 10:30      **Opening Session**

Welcoming words from **Nezar Ismet, Open Think Tank**

**Keynote Speech**

**Dellawar Ajgeyi, KRG Representative to the EU Parliament**

10:30 - 11:00      *Coffee Break*

### **Panel 3: Definitions of Civil Society: International & Local NGOs: Needs, Assistance, Solutions**

**Chair: Dawood Atrushi, University of Dohuk**

- 11:00 - 11:15 **Wolfgang Friske**, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)
- 11:15 - 11:30 **Salam M. Islam**, Executive Director of Rwanda Foundation
- 11:30 - 11:45 **Hushyar Malo**, Kurdish Human Rights Watch (KHRW)
- 11:45 - 12:00 **Shawkat Taha**, Executive Director of KURDS NGO
- 12:00 - 13:00 **Discussion**
- 13:00 - 14:30 *Lunch*

#### **Panel 4: Definitions & Perspectives of the Local & International Media**

**Chair: Angela Movileanu, Open Think Tank**

- 14:30 - 14:45 **Saro Qadir**, Institute for Research and Development- Kurdistan (IRDK)
- 14:45 - 15:00 **Ahmed Zawetayi**, Head of al-Jazeera Office in Kurdistan
- 15:00 - 15:15 **Amer Alsabaileh**, Center for Strategic and International Studies (MEMPSI), Jordan
- 15:15 - 15:30 **Robert Cole**, the Amar International Charitable Foundation, Former BBC Correspondent, UK
- 15:30 - 16:30 **Discussion**
- 16:30 - 16:45 *Coffee Break*
- 16:00 - 16:30 **Day 2 wrap up**
- 19:00 *Dinner and closing ceremony KAS and OTT*