

Monday, May 3, 2010

- 7:30 a.m. Registration and Coffee**
- 8:30—8:45 a.m. Welcome**
Tsehaye Teferra, *President, ECDC*
Kenneth Tota, *Deputy Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement*
- 8:45—9:30 a.m. Keynote Speaker**
Speaker: **Ahmed I. Samatar**, *James Wallace Professor and Dean, Institute for Global Citizenship, Macalester College (invited)*
- 9:30—11:00 a.m. Program and Policy Challenges and Future Prospects**
Presenters: **Eric Schwartz**, *Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration (invited)*
Buti Kale, *Deputy Regional Representative, UNHCR (invited)*
Barbara L. Strack, *Chief, Refugee Affairs Division, U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services (invited)*
- 11:00—11:15 a.m. Break**
- 11:15 —12:30 p.m. ORR: 30 Years of Services**
Presenters: **Eskinder Negash**, *Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement*
Other Speakers TBD
- 12:45—2:00 p.m. Luncheon Speaker**
- 2:15—3:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions**
- Presenters:** **A. New Refugee Groups from Africa: Spotlight on Darfuri Refugees in Chad**
Larry Yungk, *Resettlement Director, UNHCR*
Sarah Krause, *Cultural Orientation Coordinator, Church World Service, Nairobi*
Sanja Bebic, *Director, Cultural Orientation Resource Center*
- Presenters:** **B. Orientation: How it is Done and How do we Know It's Working**
Sanja Bebic, *Director Cultural Orientation Resource Center, Center for Applied Linguistics*
Colleen Mahar-Piersma, *Associate Director, Cultural Orientation Resource Center, Center for Applied Linguistics*
Sarah Krause, *Cultural Orientation Coordinator, Church World Service, Nairobi*
- Presenters:** **C. Somali Refugee Youth: Developing Bicultural Leaders in Challenging Times**
Lyn Morland, *Director, Bridging Refugee Youth & Children's Services (BYRCS)*
Raqiya D. Abdalla, *President, Somali Family Care Network*
Refugee Youth
- Presenters:** **D. African Refugee Resettlement**
Kelly Gauger, *Overseas Processing Section Chief, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (invited)*
Elizabeth O'Brien, *Program Officer, Africa Desk, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (invited)*
- 3:45 p.m. Break**
- 4:00—5:30 p.m. Refugee Women: The Challenges and Champions**
Presenters: **Roberta Cohen**, *Senior Adviser, Brookings-Bern Project on Internal Displacement, Brookings-Bern Project on Internal Displacement (invited)*
Lydia Schaffer, *CNN Hero*
Emira Woods, *Co-Director of Foreign Policy In Focus at the Institute for Policy Studies*
- 6:00-7:00 p.m. Capitol Hill Congressional Visit Meeting**
Presenter: **Selam Mulugeta**, *ECDC*
- 7:00-8:30 p.m. Film: Refugee All Stars (Sierra Leonean musicians)**

Tuesday, May 4, 2010

- 7:30 a.m. Registration and Coffee**
- 8:00 Welcome**
- 8:15-9:45 a.m. Next Generation of Refugee Youth: Keeping them Safe**
Presenters: **Chief Fabienne L. Brooks (Ret)**, *King County Sheriff's Department*
Officer Abdiweli Heibeh, *San Diego Police Department*
Katherine Schweit, *Supervisor Special Agent, FBI Washington, Field Office, DC*
Dr. Mohammed Mohammed, *Chairman, Dar Al Hijrah Islamic Center (invited)*
- 9:45-10:00 a.m. Break**
- 10:00-11:30 a.m. Concurrent Sessions**
- Presenters:** **A. Using ESL to Prepare Refugees and Asylees for the American Workplace**
Noa Sadan, *Program Director, Montgomery County Refugee Training Program*
Dominic Wang, *Instructional Services Director, Montgomery County Refugee Training Program*
- Presenters:** **B. Bus to Mogadishu: Cultural Orientation for Refugees in Colorado**
Krassin T. Gueorguiev, *Program Coordinator, Cultural Orientation Program, Spring Institute*
- Presenters:** **C. Improving Prospects for African Refugee Youth: IRC's Young Leaders in Training**
Anne Goforth, *Program Officer, Project SOAR, International Rescue Committee*
James Lenton, *Director, IRC New York Refugee Youth Program, International Rescue Program Refugee Youth*
- 11:30 a.m.—12:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions**
- Presenters:** **A. Health and Well-being in the African Newcomer Community**
Asheber Gebru, Shimeles Bekele, Gee Ketsegile, and Konjit Moges, *ECDC African Community Center*
- Presenter:** **B. Family Mediation for Newly Arrived African Immigrants**
Daniel Amine, *Community Service Coordinator, IRCO Africa House*
- Presenters:** **C. Integrating Burundian Refugees**
Jessica P. Hansen, *Program Officer, Supporting the Successful Integration of Burundian Refugees, USCRI*
Jennifer Micker, *Program Assistant, USCRI*
- 1:00 p.m. Luncheon Speaker**
- 2:30-5:00 p.m. Capitol Hill Congressional Visits**
- 6:30-11:00 p.m. ECDC's Banquet Celebrating 27 Years of Service to the Community**

Wednesday, May 5, 2008

8:00 a.m. Registration and Coffee

8:30—9:30 a.m.

Crisis Control and the Threatening Client in Refugee Serving Agencies

Presenter: John J. Tuskan, Jr., *Senior Refugee Mental Health Consultant, Office of Refugee Resettlement*

10:00—10:15 a.m. Break

10:15—11:45 a.m. Concurrent Sessions

A. Refugee Agricultural Partnership Program

Presenters: Daniel Krotz, *Senior Consultant, ISED Solutions*
Larry Laverentz, *Program Officer, Officer of Refugee Resettlement*

B. Immigration Options for African Survivors of Gender-Based Violence

Presenters: Lourdes Martinez, *Immigration Staff Attorney, Tahirih Justice Center*
Allison Medine, *Managing Social Worker, Tahirih Justice Center*

C. Youth Leadership Development — Connecting Local to Global and Integrating Families through Community Service

Presenters: American Red Cross

11:45 a.m.—1:15 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

A. Forming Equitable Partnerships: VOLAGs and ECBOs

Presenters: Juliane Ramic, *Director of Social Services, Nationalities Service Center*

B. Microenterprise and Asset Development in a Changing Economy

Presenters: Kevin Kelly, *Managing Director, EDG*
Badria Yonis, *Visiting Nurses Solution*
Seife Besha

C. Bringing African Youth and Their American-Born Peers Together through Art

Presenters: Kursten Pickup, *Refugee Youth Project Coordinator, Baltimore City Community College*

1:30 p.m. Networking Luncheon

2:30 p.m. Summation and Adjournment