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<p>SELWA ABU JAMOUS</p> 	<p>Ms. Selwa Abu Jamous has spent most of her career at Greater Amman Municipality, where she gained experience in building design and urban planning. After early retirement in 2006, she was invited to return back to GAM to assist as Project Coordinator for the Amman Building and Zoning Bylaw project. Since then, she has done various jobs such as Teaching Assistant for the Architecture Dept. at the Jordan University. In 2012, she obtained a training diploma in Business Administration from the German Jordanian University. In 2015, she obtained a diploma in Project Management for Development and intends to become a certified trainer. Since last year, she has assisted the experts of the Council of Europe in the implementation of the Intercultural Cities (ICC) in Jordan as the National Network Coordinator. The greatest challenge for Jordan at the moment is that it has the second highest per capita rate of refugees in the world. More than 70% of refugees and migrants live in urban areas outside camps. The four municipalities joining the ICC network are hosting an increase in population of 20-50% urban refugees and migrants presenting enormous challenges to the authorities.</p>
<p>NAZIM AHMAD</p> 	<p>Mr. Nazim Ahmad is representative of the Aga Khan Development Network for Portugal and Mozambique. In parallel with his career as Businessman and Manager, he held various functions in the Ismaili National Council for Portugal. Since 1991, Ahmad developed his activity within the diplomatic arena, both with the Portuguese Government and Diplomatic Corps in Portugal as well as with the Government of Mozambique and Diplomatic Corps in Mozambique. He was responsible of several negotiating processes with the Portuguese Republic, achieving the legal recognition of Aga Khan Foundation Portugal as a Portuguese Foundation and a Private Institution for Social Solidarity, the establishment of the Focus Foundation Europe, the Protocol of Co-operation between the Government of the Portuguese Republic and AKDN, the International Agreement between the Portuguese Republic and the Ismaili Imam, as well as the support for the elaboration of the new Religious Freedom Law. Since 2004, he has also been a member of the Commission for Religious Freedom. In 2004, he was awarded with the decoration Comendador da Ordem do Mérito.</p>
<p>IRINA ALEXIEVA</p> 	<p>Ms. Irina Alexieva has over 20 years of professional experience in international development, NGO work, media, business and political affairs. She has been focusing her expertise in the MENA region, post-Soviet space and Western Balkans. Her interests are in the field of leadership development, women empowerment, youth and citizen participation, political parties' trainings. She is the Executive Director of the Bulgarian School of Politics “Dimitry Panitza”, which belongs to the network of Schools of Political Studies of the Council of Europe. Currently Irina is a member of the Scientific Advisory Council of the World Forum for Democracy. Before, she was one of the best TV and radio journalists in Bulgaria, anchoring her own TV show during which she interviewed prominent international politicians, economists, entrepreneurs and business men. She is also the author of many documentaries. Ms. Alexieva has a diploma for Strategic Management for Leaders of NGO at Harvard Kennedy School. She holds a PhD in Public Communications and Information Studies (University “St. Kliment Ohridski”, Sofia). She also has a Master’s degree in Business Administration and a MA in Economics from the University of National and World Economy. Irina specialized in journalism in Columbia, Missouri University in the U.S.</p>

STEFANO ALLIEVI

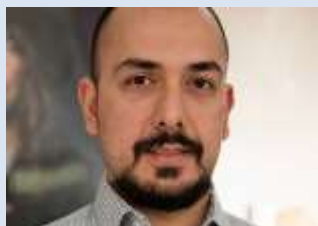


Mr. **Stefano Allievi** (Milan, 1958) is an Italian academic and journalist. After graduating in Political Sciences in 1992, he obtained a PhD in Sociology and Social Research at the University of Trento in 1997. From 1998, he works as Professor at the University of Padua, where he is currently holding the position of Director of the Master Course on Islam in Europe. Since 2016, he is member of the Council for Italian Islam at the Ministry of Interior and member of the studying Commission on jihadist radicalization at the Presidency of the Italian Council of Ministries.

Along with his academic activity, he is working as a professional journalist (from 1981). Prof. Allievi was for many years editorialist for the publishing group 'Espresso-Repubblica' and he is now writing for the newspapers 'Corriere della Sera' e 'Corriere Imprese'.

He is the author of over a hundred publications and articles on topical subjects, which have been translated in several European languages, as well as in Arabic and Turkish. During his career, he has also taken part of numerous international research projects.

MOHAMMED ALSAUD



Mr. **Mohammed Alsaud** is an award-winning Syrian activist, trainer and social entrepreneur. He has been working for democracy, human rights, inclusion and refugees for more than 8 years in the Middle East, North Africa and Europe. Mohammed is the co-founder and chairman of The Young Republic, a youth organization working with young Syrian refugees in Sweden and Europe to support their democratic participation, civic engagement and social inclusion in their host communities. His work was covered by several media channels like: BBC, the Swedish Radio, Alarabyia... etc

MOHAMMAD ALZAWAHREH



Mr. **Mohammad Alzawahreh** is the Head of the Local Development Unit at the Zarqa municipality in Jordan. He worked as a head of several departments; Service delivery, Studies, Planning, Mayor assistant for administrative and financial affairs. Mr. Zawahreh is working for Zarqa municipality since 1990. Mr. Zawahreh is specialized in programs of Development Assistance, Culture, Democracy, Human rights, governance support and Social Cohesion.

He participated in several regional and international conferences of various issues. Mr. Zawahreh is the Chairman of Independent trade union of municipalities' workers, and founder of Zarqa city youth council (Youth Initiative), that aims to engage youth in local issues, support governance and enhance dialogue through youth. He is responsible for social cohesion and refugees inclusion in hosting communities within Zarqa municipality through community and social initiatives such as the city youth council, community service centre and domestic products exhibition.

AMIN AWAD






Mr. **Amin Awad** is the Director of the Middle East and North Africa Bureau for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) since July 2013.

As the Regional Refugee Coordinator for the Syria and Iraq Situations, Mr. Awad has overseen a significant increase in funding and staffing for the organization. Mr. Awad's prior service with the agency spans more than 25 years and includes service in the Middle East, Asia, Africa, the former Soviet Union, and the former Yugoslavia. Regarding the latter, he was appointed UNHCR Representative in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia in 1999. In 2003, Mr. Awad went on to become the Coordinator of the Iraq sub-region Operations for the Bureau for Central Asia, South West Asia, North Africa and the Middle East, based at UNHCR headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. From 2005 to 2009 he served as Representative in Sri Lanka during one of the most critical periods in the nation's history. In 2009, Mr. Awad returned to UNHCR Headquarters in Geneva, as the Director of the newly created Division of Emergency, Security and Supply (DESS).

Mr. Awad completed his higher studies in International Development Administration and holds a B.A. in Political Science. He is married with one child.

<p>ABDELBASSET BEN HASSEN</p> 	<p>Mr. Abdelbasset Ben Hassen is the President of the Arab Institute for Human Rights (AIHR). Abdelbasset is also the chairman of the Tunisian national committee for the support of refugees and served as member of the high committee for the realization of the objectives of the revolution, political reform and democratic transition. Currently, he is a member of the High Committee for the reform of education composed of the Ministry of Education, Tunisian General Labor Union, and AIHR. Ben Hassen held the position of Human Rights Programs Director at Ford Foundation (2005-2011). He has taught Human Rights at the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences in Tunisia, the Institute of Social Sciences at the University of Tunis, and the International Institute for Human Rights in Strasbourg – France. He has written on human rights, human rights education and culture. He was a member of the drafting committee of the United Nations World Program on Human Rights Education.</p>
<p>JOY BETTI</p> 	<p>Mr. Joy Betti is the Director of the GreenFarmMovement, an independent international lay non-profit-making organization, which carries out several projects aiming at cooperation, research, tourism and ethical business.</p> <p>As a part of Green Farm Movement’s activities the Glocal Community (GC) is pilot project which aims at requalifying abandoned villages in southern Italy responding to the need of accommodating thousands of migrant families and Italian families in difficulty. We strongly believe that the cohabitation between migrants and local people represents the key of integration, limiting the risk of migrants’ emargination. The Glocal Community aims at bringing people together enhancing their potential as human beings, spendable inside and outside the newly founded communities. The Glocal Community is based on agricultural work (organic farming on state-owned lands) and on tourist accommodation (guesthouse), thus pointing to the revaluation of the villages through cultural and educational tourism (school tours inside the community).</p> <p>The project was a semi-finalist in the 2016 edition of the European Social Innovation Competiton</p>
<p>GIUSEPPE BOSCHINI</p> 	<p>Mr. Giuseppe Boschini is an instructor and management consultant in the field of Human Resources. He graduated at the University of Bologna and holds a Master Degree in Education Management.</p> <p>Since 2014, he is a Member of the Italian Delegation at the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe. From 2012 until 2014, Mr. Boschini has been the Deputy Mayor of the municipality of Modena (Emilia-Romagna, Italy). In 2014, he was elected to the Legislative Assembly of the Emilia-Romagna’s Region for the District of Modena (still in office). As a member of the Plenary Board IV ‘<i>health and social policies</i>’, Mr. Boschini works on the issue of migration, and specifically, on healthcare programs for migrants and asylum seekers. He is committed, along with many voluntary associations, NGOs and other municipalities, in the reception of asylum seekers. Mr. Boschini has been rapporteur on a law for the integration of Roma and Sinte minorities.</p> <p>In 2016, he participated in the drafting of the Report “<i>From reception to integration: the role of local and regional authorities facing migration</i>”, which has been submitted for approval in October at the Current Affairs Committee of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities.</p>
<p>EDUARDO CABRITA</p> 	<p>Mr. Eduardo Cabrita (1961, Barreiro) is currently the Assistant Minister for the Prime Minister of the Government of Portugal.</p> <p>Graduated in Law and Economics Sciences (Universidade de Lisboa) he was also admitted to the 1st phase of the 1st PhD programme in the Law School Universidade Nova de Lisboa. He taught Public Finances and Fiscal Law in the Law Faculty of Universidade de Lisboa (1982-1988), where he was appointed as Member of the Governing Board (1984-1985). In 1985, Mr. Eduardo Cabrita was elected Member of the Youth Inter-Ministerial Commission (1985). During the same Constitutional Government, he held the position of Deputy Director of the Secretary of State for Local Authorities Administration.</p> <p>He is a Finance Inspector in the context of Service of General Supervision of Finances since 1985, currently holding the position of Senior Finances Supervisor. Among his numerous</p>

	<p>assignments, Mr. Eduardo Cabrita was Professor at the Law School in the University of Macau (1988-1990), permanent representative of the Portuguese Representation in the Grupo Ligaç�o Conjunto Luso-Chin�es on the Question of Macau (1989-1996), Director of the Office for the Juridical Translation in Macau, High-Commissioner of the "Commission on the Support to the Restructuring of the Public Equipment and Administration of the Territory" during the 13th Constitutional Government and Assistant Secretary of State for the Minister of Justice (1999-2002). He was also member of the Parliament (from 2002 to 2005). From 2005 to 2009 he was Vice-Secretary of the State and Local Administration. In 2009, he was elected for a second term as a parliamentary having, between 2011 and 2015, headed the Parliamentary Commission on the State Budget, Finances and Public Administration.</p>
<p>JEAN-MICHEL CAUDRON</p> 	<p>Mr. Jean-Michel Caudron since 26 years is a consultant in social engineering and advises local authorities on aging policies throughout French-speaking European countries, from St Pierre et Miquelon to Mayotte, but also in Argentina, Morocco, etc... He has accompanied, for 16 years, the cabinets of French, Belgian and Luxembourg ministers, through his advice, writing reports or conducting research-action.</p> <p>For civil society, Jean-Michel led the redaction of a draft international convention on the rights of the elderly, which is being brought before the UN by the IFAPA (International Federation of Associations of the Elderly) for which he is in charge of Communication and lobbying.</p> <p>He is member of the Bureau and Rapporteur of the Conference of INGOs of the Council of Europe, under IFAPA. He is, more particularly, responsible for coordinating the work of the Conference of INGOs of the Council of Europe on migration and North-South cooperation. He represents the Conference of INGOs in the Bureau of the Executive Committee of the Council of Europe's European Center for Global Interdependence and Solidarity.</p>
<p>ANASTASIA CHRISTODOULOPULOU</p> 	<p>Ms. Anastasia (Tasia) Christodoulou graduated from the Law School of Athens. She is a lawyer in the Supreme Court, specialized in Public Law. She was Former elected President of Network Migration and antiracist organizations Elected member of the Board of the Law Association of Athens, until February 2015. Member of the Central Committee of SYRIZA and formerly Coordinator of Rights Department. Participant in the activities of European and Greek Social Forum in all cities of Europe. From January 2015 until August 2015 she was Deputy Minister of Migration Policy. Member and Vice President of the Hellenic Parliament since October 2015.</p> <p>Member of the Greek delegation to PACE and member of the Group of the Unified European Left. Full Member of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons and of the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs. Also full Member of the Sub-Committee on Co-operation with non-European countries of origin and transit.</p>
<p>ALEKSANDRA DAVIDOVSKA</p> 	<p>Ms. Aleksandra Davidovska is an activist and a humanitarian aid worker. She was one of the initiators of the emergency response on the mixed migration flow of refugees and migrants from Middle East and Africa trough the Western Balkan Route (2015). Mostly based in the northern of "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", she started mobilizing volunteers from the local population together with NGO LEGIS in order to assist refugees and migrants. Her main work was to ensure that refugees have access to medical, legal services and valid information, cross-border referrals, safe and secure passage.</p> <p>She also worked in South Serbia, where she was running field operations for support of extremely vulnerable individuals, and in North Greece mainly in water and sanitation. After the closure of the Western Balkan Route, she was running a hygiene promotion programme in "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia".</p> <p>Currently, she works on with NGO LEGIS on a programme for the coordination of the response and monitoring of human rights abuses on the irregular transit channels in "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia".</p> <p>For her work in the Western Balkan Route, she was awarded a Democratic Citizenship Award, Personality of the Year 2015, by the European Civic Forum and Macedonian Islamic Community Award.</p>

MICHAEL DIEDRING



Mr. **Michael Diedring** joined EPIM (European Programme for Integration and Migration), a funder's collaborative, as its Director in early 2016. He is a lawyer and NGO professional whose life was transformed by a 'short sabbatical' from the practice of law to assist in legal reform in Central and Eastern Europe. Michael relocated to Europe in 1995. Michael came to EPIM from ECRE (European Council on Refugees and Exiles), where he was Secretary General from 2012-2016. Michael is a dual German and American citizen, and has held positions as Executive Director of the CEELI Institute (Prague), Director General of the Baltic Management Institute (Vilnius), founding Country Representative for the Baltic-American Enterprise Fund (Vilnius), Deputy Executive Director of the International Bar Association (London) and founding Deputy Director of the American Bar Association Central and East European Law Initiative (CEELI) (Washington, DC).

ZEINA EL TIBI



Ms. **Zeina el Tibi** is an essayist, journalist, researcher on geopolitical, civilization dialogues and Mediterranean society's themes. He is President of the Observatory of Geopolitical Studies of Paris. Mr. el Tibi is also the President of the Arabic Women Association for the Press and Communication (AFACOM) and Member of the d'Euro-Med Women Network of the North-South Centre of the Council of Europe. Among his several publications figure *La Francophonie et le dialogue des cultures* (Paris, L'Age d'homme, 2001, translated in arabic), *Le Québec, l'Amérique en français* (Paris, Idlivre, 2002, translated in arabic), *Quelle union pour quelle Méditerranée?*, dir., (Paris, Observatoire d'études géopolitiques-Karthala, collection études géopolitiques 9, 2008), *L'Islam et la femme. Rappel pour en finir avec les exagérations et les clichés*, (Paris, DDB Desclée de Brouwer, 2013).

ANTÓNIO GAMITO



Ambassador **António Gamito** is the Executive Director of the North-South Centre of the Council of Europe since September 2016. Among his many assignments abroad, Mr. Gamito has served in the Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York (1994-1998), in the Observation Mission to the Referendum in East Timor (1999), in the Permanent Representation to the European Union in Brussels (1998-2001), in the Embassy at Washington DC (2004-2009) and in Algiers as Portuguese Ambassador to Algeria from 2013 to 2016. At the Ministry of Foreign Affairs he served as Head of Division for Special and Political Affairs (2001), Chief of Staff of the Political Director (2002), Special Envoy for the Minister of Foreign Affairs to Iraq (2003), Director of the Americas Department (2009-2010) and Deputy Director General for Consular Affairs and Portuguese Communities (2010-2013).

NIKOS GAMOURAS



Mr. **Nikos Gamouras** (Greece) has a legal and political sciences background. Having spent more than 2 decades in several countries in Europe and its Neighborhood, he has been involved in the NGO sector for several years, especially on activities related to citizens' empowerment, local democracy, intercultural dialogue and the role of Local Authorities (LAs) and Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in migration. Currently working in the development education field at ALDA, Mr. Gamouras is the Project Manager of a consortium of LAs and CSOs (LADDER project, involving 46 partners from 36 countries) that aims at raising the awareness of citizens on global development challenges and supporting local stakeholders in becoming multipliers at the local level.

CHRISSA GERAGA



Ms. **Chrissa Geraga** has a Bachelor Degree in Physics and a postgraduate diploma in "Training & Development" (Thames Valley University, UK) as well as an MBA by Hellenic Management Association. She participated in specialized vocational training courses in Brussels, organized by the European Commission. In 1995, she was the representative of the transnational "EIC-European Information Centre" network in the "Monitoring Group" team of experts organized by the European Commission-ex DG XXIII. Since 2009, she is a member of "TEAM EUROPE" transnational experts' group coordinated by the European Commission. Since 1991, she has been managing European and national programs concerning submission of proposals, implementation of projects, organization and monitoring of networks of enterprises and organizations at a local, national and international level. Currently she works for "ADEP S.A.-Patras Municipal Enterprise for Planning & Development", in Patras, being the Head of "Programming-Networking & International Affairs dpt." and Patras local coordinator for

	<p>activation of the city in “FAIC-Forum of Adriatic & Ionian Cities”, “ALDA: European Association of Local Democracy” and “ICC-Intercultural Cities” networks.</p>
<p>MOKHTAR GHAMBOU</p> 	<p>Ambassador Mokhtar Ghambou is the Ambassador of the Kingdom of Morocco in Kenya since October 2016. He is also the Director of the Centre of Atlantic Studies in the International University of Rabat and president of the American Moroccan Institute in New York (USA). Between 2011 and 2015, Dr. Ghambou was member of the Moroccan Parliament as the representative from Driouch to the Rif province. Before returning to Morocco in 2010, he was a Professor of Post-Colonialist Studies in Yale University (USA) and his research is mainly focused on the topics of Diaspora, Atlantic Countries, Orientalism and the Post-Colonial World.</p> <p>Currently, Dr. Ghambou is working on two more publications, to be released in 2017 and 2018 respectively, one entitled “The Nomadism and its Borders” and the other one approaching the Political and Cultural Role of the Maghreb in the American Civilization.</p>
<p>GLOBAL PLATFORM OF SYRIAN STUDENTS</p> 	<p>The Global Platform for Syrian Students is a non-profit multi-stakeholders organisation, founded in November 2013, by Jorge Sampaio, former president of Portugal, with the support of a core group of institutional partners, namely the Council of Europe, the League of Arab States, the International Organization of Migrations (IOM) and the Institute of International Education (IIE).</p> <p>This initiative is unique in that it effectively brings together the efforts and the contributions of the various stakeholders willing to back an emergency mechanism to support Syrian students: governments, international and regional organisations, donor agencies, universities, foundations, NGOs of different cultural backgrounds and faith-based organizations, the private sector and individuals. Through a Network of Partners, an Academic Consortium, and a Special Emergency Fund, the Global Platform for Syrian Students works in a collaborative way. The primary mission of the Global Platform is to provide access to higher education in safe haven countries throughout the world to Syrian students affected by the war. The Global Platform is an international endeavour to provide emergency scholarships to Syrian students and enable them to acquire professional qualifications. Furthermore, it also aims at forging collective political will and to mobilise concerted action aimed at promoting Higher Education in Emergencies at large and to place it high on the international agenda.</p>

ANA GOMES



Ms. **Ana Gomes** is a Member of the European Parliament since 2004; in May 2014 she was elected for a third term. In this mandate (2014-2019), she is a full member of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs, and of the Subcommittee for Security and Defense, as well as a full member of the Delegation for the relations with the United-States and the Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Union for the Mediterranean. She is substitute member on the Foreign Affairs Committee and on the Subcommittee on Human Rights.

Ms. Gomes has been Rapporteur for Libya, Iraq, Saudi Arabia and the PCA with Indonesia. Her main work focuses on foreign affairs, namely security & defense and human rights, justice and home affairs, fight against tax havens and corruption, and the rule of law.

Ana Gomes' academic background is Law. She had joined the Portuguese Foreign Service in 1980 and served in the Portuguese Missions at the UN in New York and Geneva and also in the Embassies in Tokyo and London. Between 1999 and 2003 she was Head of the Portuguese Interests Section and then Ambassador in Jakarta.

DJAMEL-EDDINE GRINE



Ambassador **Djamel-Eddine Grine** (Algeria, 1954) is since 2013 the General Director of Legal and Consular Affairs in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Algeria.

Among his assignments abroad, Mr. Grine held the positions of Ambassador in Angola (1997-2001) and in the People's Republic of China (2005-2010).

At central administrative level, he took up the positions of Deputy-Director in the Legal Division, of Director and General Director in the Directorate General for Asia and Oceania, Ambassador Counsellor and General Director of Legal and Consular Affairs.

Mr. Grine graduated at the Algerian National School of Foreign Affairs in 1978 and he fluently speaks Arabic, French, English and Italian.

ABDERRAFIE HAMDI



Mr. **Abderrafie Hamdi** is since 2013 the Director of the Protection of Human Rights and Monitoring at National Council of Human Rights in Morocco. Among his several assignments, Mr. Hamdi served as Inspector General for the Ministry of Employment and Professional Training (2010-2013), as Director Manager delegated to the Administration of Labor Funds AFT (2008-2010), Chef de Cabinet of the Minister delegated to the Prime Minister in charge of the Moroccan Community residing abroad (2007-2008), Chef de Cabinet of the Minister delegated at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in charge of the Moroccan Community residing abroad (2002-2007) and Analyst at the Ministry for Women, Children and Disabled People.

Mr. Hamdi is also General Executive Director of the Swiss-Moroccan Foundation for development (FSMD) and Consultant on Migration accredited to the Arab Labour Organization (in Arabic).





Mr. Hamdi holds a Degree in law that he obtained in 1998 at the University Sidi Mohamed Ben Abdallah (Fes).

MOHAMED HANNAN



Mr. **Mohamed Hannan** is a social worker with People with Disabilities. He has been working for Disabled Peoples' organisations since 18 years. Mr. Hannan worked for developing approach the "Persons with disabilities self-initiatives to Development (PSID)". He has experiences of direct contribution in the mainstream disability movement in, training, information communication, awareness, advocacy and networking of diversity and promotes Disabled Peoples Organization (DPOs). He ensures equal rights, equal access to all opportunities and full participation of persons with disabilities in national-building activities.

At present he is working as coordinator of DPI- Europe and have participated in numerous European and national research projects and is the author of publications in refereed journals and international conference. Co-author of various publications including the innovation social for and by people with disabilities. Recently he worked for the Council of Europe's EUR-OPA Major Hazards Agreement projects on "migrants, asylum seekers and refugees who are confronted with emergencies or disaster risk" and "Including People with Disabilities in Disaster Preparedness and Response".

<p>NORA HAUPTMANN</p> 	<p>Ms. Nora Hauptmann is the Head of Public Affairs at Kiron, a berlin-based NGO providing access to higher education for refugees and asylum seekers globally, with a blended learning solution. Her focus lies on building up reliable partnerships with international NGOs and local initiatives, as Kiron aims for collaborative solutions and a support network for their students. As a trained Psychologist with a focus on educational sciences and intercultural psychology, Nora strongly believes in the right to education and it's potential as a change-maker in people's lives. She previously worked in education- & development projects in Latin America and South Africa and in different research areas.</p>
<p>JEAN-MARIE HEYDT</p> 	<p>Mr. Jean-Marie Heydt is the permanent representative of the European Association of Training Centers for Socio-Educational Care Work (FESET), the European Federation that collects Colleges and Universities which prepare to Higher Education in Education and Social fields. In 2009 he has been elected President of the Conference of International of non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs) of the Council of Europe. Since 2013 he is the President of the Executive Committee of the North-South Centre of the Council of Europe. These last two activities are volunteers. Although at the moment his role of manager plays a central role, he has kept a disposition towards a practical/theoretical approach, a link between knowledge and action and otherness and singularity, in rorder to tackle the social challenges. He is also General Director of the 'Association générale des familles du Bas-Rhin' (Strasbourg, France). After the law school and the studies in human sciences, he worked for more than 10 years as social worker at the Juvenile Court. Mr. Heydt holds a PhD in Compared Educational Sciences and a Degree in European Studies, since 1999 he teaches in several Universities and Colleges, in particular at the University of Haute Alsace (France).</p>
<p>ZIBAR HUSEYNOVA</p> 	<p>Ms. Zibar Huseynova represents the Voices of Young Refugees in Europe (VYRE) – European network which was created in 2009 by young refugees and for young refugees. She was a member of the preparatory team of the Seminar for Refugee Students organized by the Council of Europe this summer and also has experience working with unaccompanied minor refugees. Currently, she is a lecturer in the field of political science at university and also works as a project officer in a human rights organization in Azerbaijan. Zibar has received her bachelor degree in International Relations from Baku State University and master degree in European Political and Administrative Studies from the College of Europe (Bruges).</p>
<p>SUZANNE JABBOUR</p> 	<p>Ms. Suzanne Jabbour is the President of the International Rehabilitation Council for Torture Victims (IRCT) in Copenhagen, the Vice president of United Nations Subcommittee on prevention of torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (SPT) in Geneva (Switzerland), and the Executive Director of Restart Center for Rehabilitation of Victims of Violence and Torture- Lebanon. From 2004, Suzanne has initiated her work on monitoring places of detention in Lebanon, and became an International expert in Monitoring Places of detention worldwide and in promoting the UNOPCAT. She has conducted numerous monitoring visits to state parties to the OPCAT with the UNSPT. The visits involved unrestricted access to all places where persons may be deprived of their liberty, their respective installations and facilities and all relevant information. Ms. Jabbour has been the manager of projects funded by National and International donors such as the European Union, the UNHCR and the UNVFVT. In 2013 she was awarded the North-South Prize of the Council of Europe in recognition of her activities in the field of human rights.</p>

MINA JAF



Ms. **Mina Jaf** was born in Kurdistan. When she was 11 years old, she and her family were forced to flee to Denmark as refugees. Since coming to Europe, she has worked tirelessly on refugee issues and on women's rights issues, bringing her personal experience and perspective to her vocal advocacy. She is the Founder and Director of Women Refugee Route (WRRRoute), a women's NGO which focus on refugee women and girls access to information on their rights and the available service, and increase visibility and publicity through advocacy both national and international. Mina is also an active leader of Young Feminist Europe, a new social movement in Europe focused on women's rights and gender equality, and she is deeply involved in a number of other projects focusing on racism, discrimination and social environment. In April 2016 Mina was awarded the Voice of Courage Award by Womens Refugee Commission for her work for better conditions to refugee women and children. Through WRRRoute she has been a panellist speaker at the 19th of September UN Summit on Refugees and Migrants.

HANIFA KARIMI







Ms. **Hanifa Karimi**, (1979, Kabul) at 10 moved to Iran together with her family, where her father worked as a Diplomat. With the start of war in Afghanistan Hanifa and her family were unable to return to Afghanistan and became refugees. They were forced to travel to several countries encountering many hardships until they reached Ukraine. In each country she had to start a new life, adapt to a new culture, attend new school and make new friends. She obtained the refugee status in 1997 in Ukraine. By 2004 she obtained diploma of a specialist in Economy and a Master Degree and Philology in English language and Literature. Being a refugee herself she began working at UNHCR Office in Ukraine. In 2007 she obtained the Ukrainian citizenship. She continues working with UNHCR in the capacity of an international staff member providing legal protection to persons of concerns to UNHCR. Her childhood stopped the day she and her family became refugees. Ms. Karimi has been missing her country, her grandparents, relatives and friends she never saw again once she left Afghanistan. It is her refugee background and experiences that has been inspiring her to do her outmost to serve refugees. Ms. Karimi is also member of VYRE (Voices of Young Refugees in Europe) organization, which aims to raise awareness about the rights of refugee youth. Hanifa is an ambitious, positive and caring person.

VICTORIA KAVOURIARI



Ms. **Victoria Kavouriari** (1967, Athens) is a Journalist. She studied Political Sciences and International Studies (Athens) and she took her Bachelor Degree in Political Sciences. Since 2014 she has been attending Master Degree Course in Cultural Organizations Management. She has been working as a Journalist since 1994 at ERT S.A, Public Broadcasting Corporation of Greece. She produces, edits, presents the weekly Radio Show "People's Landscapes" and also edits daily news. She is interested in many forms of writing, she was awarded twice in Literature Competitions, and in 2011 she published her first poetry book. At the present time she is about to publish her second book. She has always been aware of social, political and cultural issues such as the human rights, the Women's Movement, the children's rights, the animal rights, the refugee crisis, the world cultural heritage, the minorities and has always been interested in expressing people's ideas, aspects, and voices as she is a strong supporter of humanism and the people's right to be different.

<p>LOFTI KHELIFI</p> 	<p>Mr. Lotfi Khelifi (Tunisia) is a Journalist, Publisher, Expert and Business Journalist, Publisher, Expert and Business Man. He is a Chairman and Editor in Chief of Tunisian Immigrant magazine published in Tunisia.</p> <p>He is also Chairman and Editor in Chief of Middle East Health Tourism, Magazine that is published in Dubai/Emirates and distributed all over the Middle East.</p> <p>Mr. Khelifi is also a founder of Immigrant Tunisian Group which is specialized in providing all services could be needed by immigrants in many fields like Social solutions, Travel, Real Estates, Law, Media etc...</p> <p>He is also an expert on migration issues and highly dedicated to research, estimation and active media presentation in this field. In addition, he is the author of numerous articles and studies on migration.</p>
<p>CAROLINA LASÉN DIAZ</p> 	<p>Ms. Carolina Lasén Diaz has worked at the Council of Europe since 2005 and is currently the Head of the Gender Equality Unit. Her previous position was in the secretariat of the Council of Europe’s monitoring mechanism on action against trafficking in human beings (GRETA). Prior to her arrival at the Council of Europe, Carolina lived in the United Kingdom from 1997 to 2004, where she provided legal advice on international and EU law. She holds a law degree from Madrid’s Complutense University and a Master degree in EU law.</p>
<p>MICHAEL GEORG LINK</p> 	<p>Mr. Michael Georg Link (Heilbronn, 1963) is since the 1st July 2014 the Director of the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights - the specialized institution of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), dealing with elections, human rights, and democratisation.</p> <p>From January 2012 to December 2013, Link served as First Deputy Foreign Minister in the German Government (Minister of State for Europe) at the Federal Foreign Office - responsible for OSCE, EU, Council of Europe and NATO Affairs.</p> <p>He was Member of Parliament (Bundestag) from October 2005 to October 2013, representing the constituency of Heilbronn/Baden-Württemberg for the Free Democratic Party (FDP) and Member of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly from 2006 to 2013.</p> <p>He studied Russian, French, Political Science, Public Law and Eastern European History at the University of Augsburg, the University of Lausanne and Heidelberg University.</p>
<p>CLAUDIA LUCIANI</p> 	<p>Ms. Claudia Luciani worked in the DG of Political Affairs for a number of years as Director of Political Advice and Co-operation, she was appointed Director of Democratic Governance in 2012 in the Directorate General of Democracy. This Directorate General was created in 2011 following a major reform of the Organisation in order to address the challenges of democracy on the continent and their impact on European citizens. The work of Ms. Luciani’s Directorate focuses notably on: the solidity of democratic institutions by ensuring an equal application of European standards across Council of Europe membership and by looking at the critical interaction between different levels. The need to “manage” the increasing diversity of our society in a harmonious manner fully respectful of fundamental rights and freedoms. Finally, it deals with the wider implications of democratic principles and practices in relation to democratic transition processes outside Europe through the World Forum for Democracy.</p>

PASQUALE LUPOLI



Mr. **Pasquale Lupoli** is the Senior Regional Adviser for Europe and Central Asia based in the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Headquarters, Geneva, Switzerland.

Mr. Lupoli is a University Graduate and has attended courses in management, refugee laws and migration, security and emergency response and preparedness in high learning institutions and specialized bodies. He is fluent in English, French and Spanish.

Mr. Lupoli has worked for IOM since 1985. He joined the Organization after different assignments with the United Nations and the Italian Government. Previous to his appointment as Regional Representative in IOM Egypt, he was Director of the Operation Support Department at IOM Headquarters. He has served in several countries around the world under different capacities, inter alia as Chief of Mission (CoM) in Kosovo (1999-2003) and Coordinator of Emergency for the Balkan Region, CoM of FYROM (2001-2003), Regional Representative for East Africa (1997-1999), Head of the Regional Bureau for Africa at Headquarters (1992-1996) and CoM Somalia (1985-87). He has overseen some of IOM’s largest Out-of-Country voting operations, demobilization and technical cooperation programs.

NUHA MAAYTA



Ms. **Nuha Maayta** started her professional career in teaching with the aim of supporting children’s education in the Jordanian community.

For the past 25 years, Nuha has served in many women NGOs, and has established “University Women Organization”, and was elected for president for General Federation for Jordanian women for four times. Ms. Nuha worked as a Consultant for early childhood care in Jordan Hashemite Fund for Human Development. Ms. Nuha has an extensive experience in gender equality within the Jordanian government and the society, a supporter for the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW). Before the introduction of quote, she was one of the only two women elected in the Parliament (2001). She worked with different NGOs and civil society, to train and raise awareness in Human Rights. She committed herself to discuss the Syrian crisis and its impact on Jordanian citizens, and how it is possible to integrate refugees in the Jordanian society. As a renowned woman activist, she was selected in many reputable national and political subcommittees to represent the Jordanian women.

She holds a BA in History (Beirut University), a Diploma in Education (Amman University), and a Diploma in Management (Jordan University).

RUI MARQUES



Mr. **Rui Marques** currently chairs the Instituto Padre Antonio Vieira (IPAV), a portuguese NGO specialized in social innovation, which develops projects in the field of social exclusion, unemployment and poverty. Throughout his life he was involved in civil society organizations focused on subjects such as the self-determination of East Timor (Lusitânia Expresso and Associação 12 de Novembro), the integration of homeless people (CAIS), and in Civil Service initiatives (he was High Commissioner for Immigration and Intercultural Dialogue and national coordinator of Programa Escolhas) or in business activities (such as Forum Estudante or Forum Multimédia). He is also the Executive Coordinator of PAR - Plataforma de Apoio aos Refugiados (the Refugee Support Platform), bringing together more than 300 civil society organizations in an innovative model to support the hosting and integration of refugees. Rui Marques studied Medicine, Communication Sciences and Sociology, and today he focuses on the subject of Wicked Problems and integrated governance models.”

<p>HUGO MARTINEZ DE SEABRA</p> 	<p>Mr. Hugo Martinez de Seabra (Estoril, 1973) is a Project Manager at the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation’s Human Development Programme (Portugal). He is responsible for migration and urban community issues. Hugo joined the Foundation in 2005 to help setting up projects in the migration/integration field that were launched in 2006 to commemorate the Foundation’s 50th anniversary. Prior to that he was a consultant at the Portuguese Justice Ministry engaged in the planning of the new judiciary map. He published several articles and three books in the field of migration and criminality. Hugo holds an MA in Historical and Economic Sociology (New University of Lisbon, 2002), having concluded his Masters after field work at a prison for juvenile offenders. He also holds a graduate studies diploma in Ethnicities and Nationalisms (Universiteit Van Amsterdam, 2000) and a Degree in Sociology (New University of Lisbon, 1997).</p>
<p>ERMINA MARTINI</p> 	<p>Ms. Ermina Martini, holds a MA in human rights and conflict management from the Scuola Sant’Anna of Pisa (Italy), and is completing her PhD at the University of Helsinki. She has been working for several years for different NGOs and international organizations in the field of development and humanitarian aid, human rights and electoral assistance. Since 2013 she works at the European Asylum Support Office (EASO), where she is currently responsible of the civil society portfolio.</p>
<p>SALOME MBUGUA</p> 	<p>Ms. Salome Mbugua is the founder and president of AkiDwA-The migrant women’s network in Ireland. She works as the head of mission with Wezesha, African Diaspora-led development Organization. Salome has been involved in the development of several policies and strategies with various Irish government departments and units on migrants’ integration, including the Department of Justice and Equality, the Department on development of policy on sexual harassment and GBV on women seeking asylum, the Department of Foreign Affairs on the national action plan on Women Peace and Security, Resolution 1325 and the Health Services Executive on intercultural health. Ms. Salome is also involved with the EU expert group on Economic migration and European women lobby expert group on Violence against Women. She is the Vice-Chair of the European network of migrant women and is a board member of the European Women Lobby. She is a former board member of Equality Authority and Vice-Chair of the National Women Council of Ireland. She has recently conducted research on <i>Healing the Wounds of the War</i>- a narrative of women from armed conflict living in Ireland. Salome holds a Master degree in Equality studies (University College, Dublin) and is currently undertaking a PhD research on conflict resolution and peace building (Trinity College, Dublin).</p>
<p>ANA MENDES</p> 	<p>Ms. Ana Catarina Veiga Santos Mendonça Mendes (1973) is a lawyer and the head of the Portuguese Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe since 2016. In addition, she is a full member of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons, of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy and of the Sub-Committee on the Middle East and the Arab World. Ms. Mendes is the Vice-Secretary General of the Socialist Party and Vice-President of the Parliamentary Group of the Socialist Party. She is a Member of the Portuguese Parliament, and she held the same position during the VII, VIII, IX, X, XI and XII Legislatures. She is part of the Commission on Constitutional Affairs, Rights, Freedoms and Safeguards and of the Commission for European Affairs. From 1998 until 2001 she was also a Member of the Commission on Education, Culture and Science. She is currently the president of the Friendship Group China-Portugal. Ms. Mendes graduated in Law and holds a Master Degree in ‘<i>new frontiers of law</i>’.</p>

SALLY METWALLY



Ms. **Sally Metwally** is the Public Affairs Consultant at ITWORX Education supporting its flagship program “Re-Building Broken Dreams of Syrian Children” in Lebanon, Jourdan and Turkey.

Before ITWORX Education and Eitesal NGO she was the Director of Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship at Misr El Kheir Foundation-MEK responsible for nurturing the development and foster the commercialization of technology based innovations that will lead to affordable access of quality goods and services creating livelihood opportunities for the Excluded population, primarily at the Bottom of the pyramid (BOP). Before MEK, she was the CEO of the Technology Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center (TIEC).

Sally holds a Master in Management of Technology, she also received a certification in Social Enterprise Management and Impact Investing by the Frontier Market Scouts Fellowship Program by Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey, California. Sally holds a B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering, 1993.

HIQAAB OSMAN



Ms. **Hibaaq Osman** is the founder of Karama, a growing movement to end violence against women, and deliver sustainable, inclusive peace and democracy in the Arab region. Hibaaq has made it her mission to elevate the voices of Arab women, raise their profiles and develop their skills as peacemakers and leaders. Karama’s guiding principle is ensuring that strategies affecting women in the region are not simply responsive to the needs of women on the ground, but are led by women and real representatives of the community. The aim is to put women in the Arab region at the centre of humanitarian response, conflict prevention and resolution, and promoting women’s participation in public life.

Hibaaq has been widely recognised for her work with Karama. Named one of the 500 Most Influential Muslims, Hibaaq formerly served as a member of UN Women’s Global Civil Society Advisory Group and is currently on the board of Donor Direct Action.

LORA PAPPA



Ms. **Lora Pappa** (Athens), after graduating in International Studies (IUHEI) at the University of Geneva, she worked for a Greek NGO, Greek Council for Refugees and thereafter for the National Youth Foundation, a specialized agency of the Greek Ministry of Education.

She was engaged as a Consultant to the UNHCR and, in parallel, she acted as Advisor to the Greek Ministry of Interior for the first months of the organization of the Global Forum on Migration and Development. She piloted and established the first Reception Centre for Unaccompanied Minors in Crete (Greece). In 2010, she initiated the opening of a similar Centre for Unaccompanied Girls and Single Mothers in Athens. In 2010, Lora Pappa founded the NGO METAdrasi - Action for Migration and Development. METAdrasi’s main focus has been primarily community interpretation and the care of unaccompanied minors.

Today METAdrasi is recognized as the primary resource for community interpretation for asylum seekers, refugees and migrants in Greece, as its services are based on standardized codes of conduct and operating rules.

In 2015 she was awarded with the North-South prize of the Council of Europe in recognition of her commitment in the promotion of human rights and democracy.

CORINNE PRINCE ST-AMAND



Ms. **Corinne Prince St-Amand** first joined Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) almost 8 year ago as the Director General of the Foreign Credentials Referral Office (FCRO).

She has served as the Director General for Integration Branch and the FCRO with IRCC since January 2013, a role that has expanded her connections to settlement partners across Canada. Between October 2007 and December 2008, Corinne was the Director General of the Labour Market Integration Directorate at HRSDC, responsible for the work of the Foreign Credential Recognition Program, Labour Mobility, the Going to Canada Immigration Portal, and the Skills and Labour Market Information Division (National Occupational Classification system, occupational information and Essential Skills research).

Corinne graduated with a Bachelor of Social Science from the University of Ottawa in 1985 and received her Bachelor of Laws from the University of Calgary in 1991.

<p>INGRID HAUGE RASMUSSEN</p> 	<p>Ms. Ingrid Hauge Rasmussen has been the head of the Refugee office in Stavanger for 5 years, and today work as a special adviser in the field of diversity and integration within the municipality of Stavanger, Norway. She is also responsible for the work combating radicalization and extreme violence. She is a qualified social worker from the University of Stavanger and has 25 years' experience working with diversity and integration. She has been responsible for developing various competency programs and for integrating the knowledge of intercultural relationship in the City of Stavanger. She has initiated and coordinates the internal network working with ethnic diversity within the municipality. She contributes to various strategies and plans to secure that the diversity dimension is present. The city of Stavanger joined the European Council based network, Intercultural cities (ICC) May 2014. Rasmussen is the City coordinator to the network</p>
<p>JOSÉ REBELO</p> 	<p>Mr. José Rebelo (1945, Lisbon), after moving to France in 1969, he graduated in Sociology at the University of Sorbonne in Paris. Mr. Rebelo has then conciliated his academic and journalistic career in Portugal and abroad. Currently, Professor of Sociology of media at the ISCTE-University Institute of Lisbon and he is also Director of 'Trajectos', a scientific magazine on communication, culture and education. In addition, Prof. Rebelo is member of the Opinion Council on Radio and Television of the Portuguese channel RTP and President of the Association of Communication and Journalism Studies-AECJ.</p> <p>Prof. Rebelo is also strongly committed in the promotion and protection of human rights. As testified by his relevant assignments as new president of the Portuguese League of Human Rights (CIVITAS) and as member of the executive bureau of the European Association of Human Rights (AIDEH). In 2004, he was appointed by the President of the Portuguese Republic, Jorge Sampaio, Commander of Order of Freedom.</p>
<p>ANDREA RIGONI</p> 	<p>Mr. Andrea Rigoni (Milan, 1960) is a Deputy of the Italian Parliament, and a Member of the Italian Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE) since 2001. Within PACE, he is a Member of the Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons Committee and, since 2015, the Chairperson in the Sub-Committee on Co-operation with non-European countries of origin and transit. He is currently Member of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs of the Italian Chamber of Deputies. Holding a degree in Economics, and having exerted as Tax consultant, auditor and Journalist, Rigoni is a Member of the national leadership of the Democratic Party and a Party Leader in Massa Carrara (Tuscany). He served as Senator of the Italian Republic from 2001 to 2006. He was the rapporteur on Migration as an opportunity for European development (Motion for a resolution, February 2016); Violence against migrants (May, 2016); Democratic participation for migrant diasporas (December, 2014); and Management of mixed migration and asylum challenges beyond the European Union's eastern border (April, 2013).</p>
<p>ZOYA ROUHANA</p> 	<p>Ms. Zoya Rouhana is the founder and director of a feminist organization KAFA (enough) Violence & Exploitation. She is among the pioneers in Lebanon and the region to address the issue of violence against women. She organized the first Arab "public hearing" of victims of violence, which led to the creation of the Arab Women Court (AWC).</p> <p>In 1997, Ms. Rouhana founded the first Lebanese NGO dedicated for fighting violence against women (LECORVAW). The NGO operated a hotline for victims, defined the deficiencies that existed in the social and legal systems and succeeded in presenting the problem of VAW as a public issue launching breakthrough awareness campaigns.</p> <p>In 2005, Ms. Rouhana founded the advocacy women's group KAFA. This has prepared the first draft law on protecting women from family violence that was approved by the Lebanese parliament (2014). Furthermore, KAFA pushed the national agenda on migrant domestic workers, trafficking of women, engaging men into fighting violence against women, and child sexual abuse. With the influx of the Syrian refugees, KAFA opened a new center in the area of Bekaa to try to respond to the needs of Syrian women and children. In addition to the listening and counseling services that the center provides for women and children victims of gender based violence, the center hosts many support and awareness raising activities.</p>

ESZTER SOMOGY



Ms. **Eszter Somogy** is working at the Organising Bureau of European School Student Unions (OBESSU) as Programme Coordinator tasked to implement the “Seeds for Integration” flagship project. OBESSU is a platform for cooperation between national school student unions active in general secondary and vocational education in Europe. In line with the organisation’s main objectives to promote equal access to education for all regardless to social standing, and to create an inclusive school environment, “Seeds for Integration” provides small grants for grass-root school student initiatives that aim to enhance the educational integration of pupils with migration background. Holder of a Master’s degree in International Migration and Ethnic Relations Eszter is specialized in the topic of migrant inclusion. Before joining the Secretariat of OBESSU she has been working on policies and projects related to migrant integration and refugee protection at the Office of Immigration of Hungary, at the International Organization for Migration and the European Parliament.

SONJA TOSKOVIC



Ms. **Sonja Toskovic** (1983, Serbia) had graduated from the Faculty of Law, University of Belgrade, specializing in international law, and obtained Master degree in 2015 focusing on refugee law. She is a proud member of the Belgrade Centre for Human Rights team since October 2009. Ms. Toskovic has been working on various projects in the field of human rights and even though it has been almost seven years, Sonja still feels like a pioneer in the struggle for human rights in Serbia. Ms. Toskovic is part of a team of lawyers who provide legal aid to asylum seekers in Serbia since January 2012, when the Centre began to cooperate with the UNHCR office in Belgrade. Ms. Toskovic is engaged in advocating for changes in regulations and practices in Serbia, research activities and monitoring of the situation in the field of asylum and migration. She wrote and edited several books in the field of human rights.

MARC VAN DEN REECK



Ambassador **Marc Van den Reeck** was born in Gent (Ghent, Belgium) on 11 August 1955, Belgium) on 11 August 1955. He holds a degree in Macroeconomics from the University of Gent and a degree in Spanish Language and Literature from the Provinciaal Handels- en Taalinstituut Oost Vlaanderen. He was admitted to the Diplomatic Service of the Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation in September 1980. He has served in the MFA Headquarters in Brussels, in the Permanent Representation of Belgium to the Council of Europe and in the Royal Belgian Embassies of Zambia, the USA, Greece, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates. Currently, he is on a voluntarily basis, Head of International Cooperation and Programs Department of the Greek Non-Profit Organization “The Smile of the Child”.

PATRICIA VIRTIČ



Ms. **Patricija Vrtič** is a Projects Manager and Head of Global Education at SLOGA, platform of Slovene NGOs for development, global education and humanitarian aid. She managed several projects funded by EU, Slovene Ministries for Foreign Affairs, Public Administration and Home Affairs or private funds focusing on migration, humanitarian aid, human rights, awareness raising, development cooperation, gender equality and global education. As Humanitarian Response Centre -HOC Coordinator- she oversees activities and projects related to humanitarian aid, coordinates NGOs Working group on Humanitarian Aid and does advocacy work. From 2015, she works with NGOs in Slovenia on »Balkan route« on providing humanitarian assistance, preparation of joint appeals and advocacy activities with authorities with the aim of assuring inclusive processes and implementation of human rights and international protection standards. Her journalist experiences are of benefit when implementing awareness raising campaigns on migration, integration, global education and human rights. SLOGA addresses migration, human rights, development aid, and gender equality and has extensive experience in advocacy, information service, and campaigning and project management.

AYOADE WALLACE



Ms. **Ayoade Wallace** is a Social Change Strategist for The Ubele Initiative, a London based organisation focusing on community asset building and intergenerational leadership development in the African Diaspora and minority communities.

She was recently co-opted onto the board of the African Diaspora Youth Network in Europe as Secretary General.

As well as her role as an activist and youth leader, she is a poet and singer that uses creativity to transform community and bridge gaps between generations.

MÜŞERREF YARDIM



Ms. **Müşerref Yardım**, after completing her secondary education at the Athénée Royal of Visé, she graduated from a Bachelor degree in Sciences of Antiquity oriented in Arabic Languages and Muslim Civilisation at the University of Liege. She obtained a Master degree at the EPHE (Sorbonne, Paris) and did a PhD under the joint supervision of the University of Liege and the University of Strasbourg. She worked as a scientific researcher at the IERES in Brussels and taught at the Lycée of Aywaille. She continues to occupy the position of assistant professor at the University Necmettin Erbakan in the sociology department. She is pursuing her researches on migration to Europe and Turkey, multiculturalism in Europe, religious communities in Europe, discrimination, hate speech.

