The Transformative Power of Early Childhood Development Actions in Migration & Refugee Situations

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In the outcome document of the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly on addressing large movements of refugee and migrants, entitled “New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants”, member states have agreed – in paragraph 82 – to “… support early childhood education for refugee children”. This panel discussion, hosted by the Early Childhood Peace Consortium (ECPC), will share the perspectives of early childhood development, policy and programming experts on how to link emerging knowledge from bio-behavioural and environmental sciences with programme practices that seek to protect young children, caretakers and their communities from the consequences of war and violent conflict.

PROGRAMME

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SPEAKERS

WELCOME: Rima Salah, Chair of the Early Childhood Peace Consortium [ECPC] and Adjunct Faculty Member at the Child Study Centre, Yale University

OPENING: H.E. Mr. Masud Bin Momen, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations, and H.E. Mr. Horacio Sevilla, Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the United Nations

MODERATOR: Friedrich Affolter, Education Expert, UNICEF

PANELISTS
- Leila Zerrougui, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict
- Ghassan Issa, General Coordinator, Arab Resource Collective (ARC); Director, Arab Network for Early Childhood Care and Development (ANECO)
- James F. Leckman, Professor of Child Psychiatry, Psychology and Pediatrics at Yale University

CONCLUSION
- Ambassador Anwarul K. Chowdhury, Former Under-Secretary-General and High Representative of the United Nations; Founder of The Global Movement for The Culture of Peace (GMCoP)

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