

71st Session of the United Nations General Assembly

UNAOC Side Event:

*“Combating xenophobic language in the media and
fostering inclusive integration of migrants and refugees”*

**Co-sponsored by the European Union, the International Organization for Migration and the
Permanent Mission of the Republic of Malta to the United Nations**

Thursday 15 September, 10:00 – 13:00, Conference Room 5, United Nations Headquarters

DRAFT AGENDA

10:00 – 10:40

High-Level Opening Remarks



H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, High Representative for the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC)



H.E. Mr. Carmelo Inguanetz, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Malta to the United Nations



H.E. Mr. William Lacy Swing, Director General, International Organization for Migration (IOM)

Keynote Presentation:



H.E. Mrs. Karen AbuZayd, Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on the Summit on Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants

10:40 – 10:50

Screening of PLURAL+ video

PLURAL+ Youth Video Festival is a joint initiative of UNAOC and IOM that invites the world's youth to submit original and creative videos focusing on the themes of migration, diversity and social inclusion.

10:50 – 12:50

Panel



Moderator:

Mr. Arun Venugopal, Reporter and Host of Micropolis, WNYC's ongoing examination of race and identity

Panelists:

Ms. Cindy Carcamo, Staff Writer, *Los Angeles Times*



Ms. Rachel Peric, Deputy Director, Welcoming America



Ms. Alexandra Walden, Counsel, Free Expression & Human Rights, Google (TBD)



Mr. Mohamad Bazzi, Associate Professor of Journalism, New York University, Arthur L. Carter Journalism Institute (TBD)



Mr. Damien Cave, Deputy National Editor for Digital, *The New York Times* (TBD)



Mrs. Amy Mitchell, Director of Journalism Research, Pew Research Center (TBD)

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Designated discussants: [5 minutes each]

Ambassador Mr. Alvaro Albacete, Deputy Secretary General for External Relations, King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz International Centre for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue, KAICIID



Mrs. Michaëlle Jean, Secretary General, The International Organization of La Francophonie (TBD)

*At the end of the panel, participants are invited to ask questions and share comments with panelists.
They may also join the conversation online using #SpreadNoHate*

12:50 – 13:00

Closing Remarks

13:00

Close

A full report of the day's discussions will be made available on the website of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations www.unaoc.org. For any questions related to the UNAOC #SpreadNoHate initiative, please feel free to contact: HateSpeech@unaoc.org