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EU-Passworld Roundtable on Complementary Education Pathways in Europe: first lessons learned

Tuesday May 21, 2024 (9:00-16:00 UTC/GMT +1)

Nova University School of Law, Lisbon (Hybrid event)

Campus Campolide 1070-158 Lisbon, Portugal

9:00 – 9:30	Registration and Welcome Coffee
9:30 – 9:50	Welcome and Introduction (Room 007)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prof. João Amaro de Matos, Vice-Rector of Nova University Lisbon• Prof. Nausica Palazzo, Nova School of Law- Head of Diversity, Inclusion and Non-discrimination• Oliviero Forti, Caritas Italiana – Migration Policies & International Protection Office Manager and EU Passworld Coordinator• Helena Barroco, Nexus 3.0 – Promoting Education, Science, Art, and Culture in Contexts of Fragility, Violence, and Conflict	
9:50 – 10:00	Setting the scene: Syrian students’ journey in Portugal
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Amer Obied and Genwa Hassan –Alumni of Global Platform for Syrian Students and Nexus 3.0 members	
10:00 – 10:50	Complementary Education Pathways: Setting the scene in a global context
<p>Moderator: Mariateresa Veltri, University of Bologna</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gabriela Agatiello, ICMC Europe/Share Network : Setting the scene - Overview of complementary education pathways in Europe• Rebecca Granato, Global Taskforce on Education Pathways: Introduction to the GRF and the CoP, Overview of education pathway pledges at the GRF and next steps• Portugal: Existing “acquis” and Education pathway commitments made at the GRF in 2023 <p>Q&A with audience</p>	

10:50-11:05 – Coffee Break

11:05 – 13:00	Pathway design: Ensuring minimum standards and sustainability (Room 007)
<p><i>This panel will explore the various models of complementary educational pathways in Europe, examining the challenges and opportunities each model presents for achieving sustainability.</i></p> <p>Moderator: Gabriela Agatiello, ICMC Europe/Share network</p> <p>Opportunities and challenges in the design of university corridors and student visa programmes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Italy: Andrea Pecoraro, UNHCR Italy and Mariateresa Veltri, University of Bologna• France: Ophélie Converset, Université Catholique de Lille and Annick Suzor-Weiner, Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie (AUF)• Germany: Pia Schauerte, German Academic Exchange programme (DAAD) and Ariane Elshof, University of Cologne <p>Q&A with audience</p> <p>Opportunities and Challenges in the design of programmes in Ireland, Portugal, and Belgium</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ireland: Barry Quinn, Irish Refugee Protection Programme (IRPP) and Aoibhinn Helly, UNHCR Ireland• Belgium: Perrine Raquez, Fedasil and Raf Dhaese, KU Leuven• Portugal: Ana Santos Pinto, Nexus 3.0 <p>Q&A with audience</p>	

13:00-14:00 – Light Lunch

Parallel breakout Groups: A series of moderated parallel breakout groups lead participant reflections on the challenges and opportunities for expansion of education pathways for refugee students, in the current EU and global context – focusing on different phases of the pathway.

14:00 – 15:25	Breakout group 1: Financing of education pathways (Room 007)
<p>Moderator: Leonie Ansems de Vries, King’s College London & Director of King’s Sanctuary Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Irene de Lorenzo-Cáceres Cantero, Pathways International: Different financing models of education pathways and opportunities for growth• Andrew Flaus, University of Galway: University Sanctuary Initiative in Ireland• Dan Webb, Refugee Education UK: Financing of the Displaced Student Initiative in the UK <p>Interactive discussion with participants</p>	

14:00 – 15:25	Breakout group 2: Engagement of students, Integration support and transition to employment
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Moderator: Anna Coulibaly, ICMC Europe/Share network

The Role of Community Sponsorship in Supporting the Welcoming and Integration of Refugee Students:

- Tessa Cornally, Nasc, Ireland
- Cristina Santinho, ISCTE-IUL, Anthropologist & Researcher at CRIA, Portugal

Refugee Students' Experiences in Education Pathways: *students will discuss their experiences within their respective educational pathway programmes, highlighting the integration and academic supports that proved beneficial during their studies and post-graduation. They will identify common challenges faced by refugee students in their programmes, and provide recommendations for enhancing the programmes, drawing from their personal insights.*

- Yohannes Sisay Molla, University of Bologna Alumni, UNICORE programme
- Albert Utshudi, Student at Université Catholique de Lille, UNIVR' programme
- Luwam Tesfai Haile, Student at Humboldt University of Berlin, DAAD's Leadership for Africa programme

Interactive discussion with participants

14:00 – 15:25	Breakout group 3: Selection procedures and recognition of qualifications (Room 123, 1st Floor)
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Moderator: Helena Barroco, Nexus 3.0

Good practices in identification, selection procedures and recognition of qualifications in education pathway programmes:

- Andrea Pecoraro, UNICORE Programme in Italy
- Cati Jerez, University of Barcelona Support Programme for Refugees and People from Conflict Zones
- Ana Nunes, Nexus 3.0

Interactive discussion with participants

15:25 – 15:45	Report back from breakout groups (Room 007)
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Rapporteurs present key themes, reflections and conclusions from the breakout groups.

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15:45 – 16:00	Closing remarks: Nexus 3.0 and ICMC Europe/Share Network
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