

# Socioeconomic inclusion of Syrian refugees in Türkiye : stakes and prospects for resilience

A side-event to the Brussels VII Conference on supporting the future of Syria and the region

What are the stakes of a socioeconomic inclusion of Syrian refugees in Türkiye? Why and how to better include Syrian children in the Turkish education system? How can we combat child labour across the country? To what extent do education and employment foster projection and inclusion in the host country? What can be done to enhance livelihood opportunities of young Syrians in Türkiye? How does socioeconomic inclusion strengthen resilience?

This panel will address the stakes of a socioeconomic inclusion of Syrian refugees in Türkiye, and the prospects of the latter to successfully access education and employment. The format of this panel will be a debate: the moderator will chair the discussion and address questions to each of the panellists, according to their respective area of expertise. A Q/A session with the audience will be held over the last 20 minutes of the debate. Questions may be submitted either in the room or via Zoom.

**Date & time:** Tuesday June 13th 2023 / 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM CET

Format: A hybrid 90-minutes debate including a 20-minutes Q/A session

Venue: Rue du Trône 61, 1050 Ixelles, Belgique

### **Registration links:**

➤ In person https://fr.surveymonkey.com/r/MT5Z5RX

**Zoom** https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_xQGtgCdPQsSLV3\_MEW\_iRA

Registration is mandatory for both.

#### **Panellists**

Jérémie Pellet, Chief Executive Officer, Expertise France

Mutasem Syoufi, Executive Director, The Day After

**Dilara Karaağac**, LLM, Human Rights and Refugee Rights Lawyer (remote)

Ribal Azzin, Project Manager, Olive Branch Organization

Dr. Begüm Dereli, Project Officer, European Council on Refugees and Exiles

**Dr. Fatma Özdemir Uluc**, VET4JOB Project Team Leader, Expertise France (remote)

Dr. Nur İncetahtacı, Board member of Sened

The debate will be moderated by **Emma Beals**, award-winning investigative journalist and Senior Advisor at the **European Institute of Peace** 



Panellists will respectively cover the following issues:

| Speaker             | Issues to be addressed                                       |
|---------------------|--|
| Jérémie Pellet      | Keynote speech   |
| Mutasem Syoufi      | Stakes of a socioeconomic inclusion of Syrian refugees in    |
|                     | Türkiye  |
| Dilara Karaağac     | Uncertainties shaping parental educational decisions : the   |
|                     | case of Syrian refugee children in Türkiye                   |
| Ribal Azzin         | Socioeconomic inclusion of the Syrian youth in Türkiye       |
| Dr. Begüm Dereli    | Syrian refugees integration through higher education         |
| Dr. Fatma Özdemir   | Improving employment prospects of Syrian refugees and host   |
| Uluc                | communities : the example of VET4JOB project                 |
| Dr. Nur İncetahtacı | Supporting the socioeconomic inclusion of Syrian refugees in |
|                     | Türkiye: the example of the Turkish association Sened        |

### Language

This debate will he held in English. Arabic simultaneous interpretation will be provided only via Zoom.

## **Organiser**

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