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Protecting Syrian Refugees: Policies, Challenges, and Risks in Neighboring Countries. How donors to the Syrian conflict can support the rights of Syrian refugees

Date: 12.06.2023//**Time:** 16.30-18.00 Brussels time// **Language:** English

Venue: Thon Hotel EU, Rue de la Loi 75, B-1040 Brussels, Belgium **Room:** Belgium III

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This side event will take place alongside the Brussels VII Conference on the Future of Syria and the region. It will feature a panel discussion, expert presentations, and interactive sessions. And will provide a comprehensive examination of the policies and challenges faced by Syrian refugees in neighboring countries.

The experienced panelists will address the Legal Status and Protection for Syrian refugees in Lebanon and Turkey and other neighboring countries, Examine the challenges they face to access to basic rights. The session will discuss forced return and risk factors, in addition to review the political changes and its implications on the protection of Syrian refugees. The panel discussion will contribute to the formulation of policy implications and recommendations for host countries, international and local stakeholders

Moderator **Mais Katt**, Investigative journalist

Speakers **Wafa Mustafa**, Fellow with Refugees International and Syrian activist

Ivan M. Nielsen, Former Danish Special Representative for the Syria Crisis

Reem Haswani, Empowerment and leadership Programs manager, Women Now For Development

Assem Swaid, Coordinator, Syrian Network in Denmark

Alaa Eldin Abdin, Co-founder of Abjad initiative for Education and board member at VDSH

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