Preventing Statelessness among Migrants in North Africa

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This workshop brings together a mix of participants contributing scholarly and policy-focused perspectives on the problems of documentation, identification and recognition of migrants and refugees. It will present the outcomes of a research collaboration between the LSE Middle East Centre, the Centre for Migration and Refugee Studies of the American University in Cairo, and the *Association marocaine d'études et de recherche sur la migration* of the University Mohammed V, Rabat; and open these up for discussion in comparative context.

08.30–09.00	**Registration, Tea and Coffee**
09.00–09.45	**Welcome and Presentation of Project Findings** Bronwen Manby, LSE Middle East Centre Nourhan Abdelaziz, American University in Cairo
09.45–11.15	**Panel 1 – Birth Registration for the Prevention of Statelessness** Chair: Bronwen Manby, LSE Middle East Centre
	Identity in the Humanitarian–Development Nexus: A Focus on the African Continent Ann Livingston, United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund
	From Registration of Birth to Confirmation of Citizenship: Is the UK Process the Model to Aspire to? Solange Valdez-Symonds, Project for the Registration of Children as British Citizens
	State Obligation to Establish Legal Identity in Comparative Perspective Alenka Prvinsek, former chair, Council of Europe Committee of Experts on Nationality
11.15–11.45	**Tea and Coffee**
11.450–13.00	**Panel 2 – Registration and Identification in the Context of Forced Migration** Chair: Nourhan Abdelaziz, American University in Cairo
	Obstacles Faced by Displaced Persons to Access Civil Registration and Identification: NRC's Field Experiences Fernando de Medina, Norwegian Refugee Council
	When Identity Documents and Registration Produce Exclusion: Lessons from Rohingya Experiences in Myanmar Natalie Brinham, Queen Mary University of London
	Migration and Statelessness in the work of the International Organization for Migration Anne Althaus, International Organization for Migration
12.00–14.00	**Lunch**

14.00–15.30	**Panel 3 – The International Policy Frameworks: The Global Compacts and SDGs** Chair: Stefanie Grant, European Network on Statelessness
	The Global Compact for Migration, Civil Society, and Questions of Identity Tendayi Bloom, The Open University
	What is the Fuss over the UN's Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration? Elspeth Guild, Queen Mary University of London
	Birth Registration and the Right to a Nationality Under the CRC and SDGs Amal de Chickera, Institute on Statelessness and Inclusion
15.30–16.00	**Tea and Coffee**
16.00–17.00	**Open Discussion: Where to from here? Next Steps for Research and Policy** Chair: Bronwen Manby, LSE Middle East Centre