



March

# The Permanent Observer Mission of the Sovereign Order of Malta to the UN

### Malteser International - Order of Malta Worldwide Relief

*Invite you to a panel on* 

## "Women Caught in the Global Refugee Crisis: Finding Hope and Opportunity in Despair"

United Nations 61st Session of the Commission on the Status of Women

### Tuesday, March 21, 2017 4PM-6PM **Ex-Press Bar at the United Nations**

(3rd Flr. NW corner of the UN General Assembly Building)

The panel is centered on worldwide relief efforts and solutions providing aid, opportunity, and hope to women in countries most challenged with refugees and displaced people. The discussion will further emphasize the importance of ensuring that all people, regardless of the religion, background, and political convictions, are able to live lives with dignity.

### 4:00 - 4:10 **Opening Remarks**

- o Ambassador Oscar R. de Rojas, Permanent Observer of the Sovereign Order of Malta
- Edward J. Delaney, Vice-President, Malteser International Americas
- Video: Portrait of Fatima, a story of a mother and refugee in Malteser International's 4:10 - 4:20Cash-for-Work program in the Middle East

#### 4:20 - 5:30**Panelists**

- o Ravi Tripptrap, Executive Director, Malteser International Americas
- o Ninette Kelley, Director of the New York Office, United Nations High Commission on Refugees
- H.E. Mr. Odo Tevi, Ambassador of Vanuatu to the United Nations
- Ilario Schettino, First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations and of Humanitarian Affairs RSVP by
- o Amal, Female Refugee
- James Wiley, COO, Counter Human Trafficking Compliance Solutions

#### Q & A - Interactive Open Discussion 5:30 - 5:50

**Closing Remarks** 5:50 - 6:00

\*\*Moderator: Deborah O'Hara-Rusckowski, Delegate of the Order of Malta Mission to the UN

Note: Open to public. To secure access and entry to the United Nations and panel, please include your full name, contact information, and confirmation of attendance in an email to: contact@malteser-international.org ASAP, or by March 17th. Registration/sign-up for this event is required due to limited seating capacity.