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## PRIYA KHAMBHAITA

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Dr Priya Khambhaita is Joint Director of Health and Social Care policy at NatCen. She has a BSc in Sociology from Cardiff University and an ESRC-funded MSc and PhD in Social Science from the University of Southampton. She has over 12 years of experience in academic and policy research covering key dimensions of health, healthcare and system leadership, social care services, and transnational care. She has met with overseas delegations (Japan, China and Russia) to advise on ageing, retirement, and pensions policy and has been a member of the NCRI Breast Working Party on Symptom Management. She has delivered high profile research programmes for funders such as the Department for Transport (DFT), RM Partners, NIHR, and The Health Foundation. Priya's research for the Department for Health and Social Care (DHSC), Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport (DCMS), and the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) as well as cross-government units has enabled her to develop a deep understanding of the ways in which different sectors can influence health and wellbeing. She has appeared as a subject matter expert on GB news, BBC Radio London, and Awaaz community radio.

## TAMMAM ALOUDAT

Managing Director, Global Health Centre



Tammam Aloudat is the Managing Director of the Global Health Centre. He is a Syrian physician and humanitarian worker with 20 years of experience working with the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) working in conflicts, natural disasters, forced displacement, and disease outbreaks both in projects and in the headquarters. He has worked on issues ranging from medical standards and quality of care, humanitarian ethics, palliative care, to access to medicines. He has engaged in the debate on decolonising aid and global health and co-founded Action to Decolonise Global Health (ActDGH).

## LUISA ENRIA

Social Scientist



Luisa Enria is a social scientist. Her work applies approaches from political anthropology to studying community experiences of epidemic preparedness and response and humanitarian emergency interventions. She is also interested in the integration of social science perspectives in biomedical interventions and scientific research. She holds a DPhil from the University of Oxford, based on research on unemployed youths' political mobilisation after the civil war in Sierra Leone. During the 2014-16 Ebola outbreak she worked as a social scientist in the Ebola vaccine trials in Sierra Leone and developed research on the political economy of emergency vaccine deployment. As part of this work, she also developed a social science training for Community Health Workers to conduct operational research during epidemics. Luisa will be speaking in a personal capacity.



## MODERATOR

### SHERINE EL TARABOULSI-MCCARTHY

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Dr. Sherine El Taraboulsi-McCarthy is Director of NatCen International, a social research programme focused on global health equity, gender equality, social inclusivity and economic growth at the National Center for Social Research in London. She is an established research expert on humanitarian and development policy, conflict and security, and has research experience in over 13 countries. She is also a Politics Visiting Fellow at Keble College, University of Oxford where she is leading a project on the political economy of global solidarity in the age of Covid-19. Prior to joining NatCen, she was a Senior Research Fellow with the Politics and Governance team and a Research Fellow with the Humanitarian Policy Group at the Overseas Development Institute. She continues to act as a conflict and fragility adviser to governments as well as a wide range of international NGOs, multilateral and bilateral agencies and initiatives. She holds a doctorate from the Department of International Development and St. Cross College, University of Oxford.



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