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## Global Refugee Forum LINKED EVENT

### Promoting evidence-based implementation of the Global Compact on Refugees through teaching, research and solidarity

*Maison de la Paix, 12 December 2023, 18:00-20:30 CET*

Co-Hosted by the Government of Brazil, the Government of Canada, and the Graduate Institute (IHEID), in partnership with UNHCR, the Global Academic Interdisciplinary Network (GAIN) and the International Development and Research Centre (IDRC).

#### Objectives

- Celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the [Sergio Vieira de Mello Chairs](#) and pay tribute to Sergio Vieira de Mello
- Showcase the impact of academic contributions on the lives of forcibly displaced and stateless persons since 2019
- Announce new commitments under the [Shifting Power multi-stakeholder pledge](#) and in support of the [15by30 campaign](#) goal to enrol at least 15% of young refugee men and women in higher education by 2030
- Showcase the establishment of the [12 IDRC Research Chairs](#)

#### Programme

##### 18:00 – 18:30 **Exhibition on and Commemoration of the life of Sergio Vieira de Mello**

Welcome by **Prof. Marie-Laure Salles**, Graduate Institute Director

Tribute to Sergio Vieira de Mello by

**Ms. Maria Laura da Rocha**, Secretary General of Foreign Affairs, Brazil

**Ambassador Tovar da Silva Nunes**, Permanent Representative of Brazil to the UN

**Ms. Gillian Triggs**, UNHCR Assistant High Commissioner for Protection

##### 18:30 – 18:35 **Transfer to the Auditorium**

##### 18:35 – 18:45 **Opening by Prof. Marie-Laure Salles**, Graduate Institute Director and

**Ms. Elizabeth Tan**, Director of the Division of International Protection, UNHCR

##### 18:45 – 19:15 **Scene setting remarks** by

**Ms. Maria Laura da Rocha**, Secretary General of Foreign Affairs, Brazil

**Ambassador Leslie Norton**, Permanent Representative of Canada to the UN

##### 19:15 – 20:10 **Promoting evidence-based implementation of the GCR through teaching, research, and solidarity** (*Davos style discussions*)

**Moderator:** Prof. **Vincent Chetail**, Director, IHEID Global Migration Centre

##### **Panellists:**

- **Prof. João Carlos Jarochinski Silva** - Representative of the De Mello Chairs
- **Prof. Paula Banerjee** - Representative of the IDRC Chairs
- **Mr. Mohamed Hassan** - Representative of the Refugee Led Research Hub
- **Ms. Tonya Blowers** - Representative of the Organization for Women in Science for the Developing World

20:10 – 20:30 **Ways forward** - Summary of the academic workshop, pledges from the Academic partners and Q&A- **Prof. Geoff Gilbert** *Note: Hybrid format will be available. Captioning in several languages will be available for the online transmission.*

