



SHARE

Building a resettlement network for European municipalities, cities and regions www.resettlement.eu

THE SHARE PROJECT

The SHARE network will facilitate structured dialogue and exchange of expertise between experienced resettlement countries planning or considering resettlement.

With a worldwide membership, staff and operations working with migrants and refugees in more than 40 countries, ICMC Serves and protects uprooted people - refugees, internally displaced persons and migrants - regardless of faith, race, ethnicity or nationality.

Since its creation in 1951, ICMC has identified and accompanied one million refugees for resettlement. Additionally, ICMC provides expert resettlement personnel through the ICMC-UNHCR Resettlement Deployment Scheme to support UNHCR resettlement activities in field offices around the world.



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'Offering shelter, support and welcome to refugees in European cities and communities'

A 1.5-day expert seminar and visit programme to support the production of a SHARE Network publication on challenges, opportunities and partnerships in HOUSING for resettled refugees

20-21 February 2014 - Conference rooms of Caritas International
Rue de la Charité 43, 1210 Brussels

EVENT PROGRAMME

During 2012-13, ICMC Europe and our **SHARE Network** partners and stakeholders have been engaged in research to support the production of a good practice publication on housing and integration for refugee resettlement in Europe. To support the final development of the publication, and to continue the development of **SHARE Network** priorities to engage humanitarian cities and promote solidarity and human rights through the provision of shelter, ICMC plans an expert seminar to present our findings and recommendations and gather expert inputs from practitioners and policymakers from across Europe.

Co-hosted by ICMC and our partners the Belgian NGOs **Caritas International** and **Convivial**, the 1.5-day programme also includes presentations and site visits to NGO-led housing programmes for refugees in Brussels and surrounding municipalities.

DAY 1

12.00-13.00 *Sandwich lunch*

13.00-13.15 Welcome & Introductions

- Petra Hueck, ICMC Europe
- Anne Dussart, Caritas International (tbc)

13.15-14.00 An introduction to the housing programmes of Caritas International

- Caritas International team led by Elisabeth Verniers, Integration Coach

14.30 -15.00 The SHARE Good Practice Guide for Housing in Refugee Resettlement

- i) Presentation of comparative research & report from the SHARE conference '*Refugee Resettlement*





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The ICMC Europe office in Brussels works to promote resettlement in Europe and to build European resettlement capacity and expertise.

It facilitates practical cooperation, knowledge exchange and opportunities for networking amongst all resettlement actors in Europe, including international organisations, European institutions, national governments, NGO's, regional and local authorities, resettled refugees, community organisations and others.

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partnerships for a durable protection and reception in France, Belgium and the United Kingdom' (Lyon, June 2013) - **Rachel Westerby, ICMC Europe**

ii) Presentation of research & proposed publication
- **Lisa Fischer, ICMC Europe**

15.00-15.30 *Coffee*

15.30-17.15 **Parallel Thematic Discussions**

Seminar participants will be placed in 3 parallel discussion groups focusing on SHARE housing research practice examples and conclusions in the thematic areas set out below. All participants will receive background papers for each thematic area one week ahead of the conference programme.

i) - **Implementing resettlement quotas**
- **Regional & local cooperation for placement**

ii) - **Finding housing for refugee resettlement**
- **Housing for specific groups**

ii) - **Housing and integration support**
- **Building welcoming communities**

17.15-17.45 **Rapporteur feedback from thematic discussions**

17.45-18.00 **Close**

19.30 *Dinner*

DAY 2

8.30-12.00 **Site visits hosted by Caritas International & Convivial**
Seminar attendees will split into 2 groups for site visits, with transport provided directly from the hotel. Full site visit programmes to be provided separately.

12.00-13.00 *Lunch*

13.00-13.30 **Feedback from site visits**

13.30-14.30 **Finalising the SHARE Housing Publication...**
Presentation of proposed publication outline revised on the basis of seminar discussions and conclusions.

14.30-14.45 **Close**