**56th Session of the United Nations Commission for Social Development**

**Side Event**

**Humanitarian Action for Older Persons: Fifteen Years After Madrid**

1:15 - 2:30 pm    7 February 2018    Conference Room 7

**AGENDA**

**Welcome:**
- Ann Pawliczko, PhD, Research Fellow on Ageing, Institute of International Humanitarian Affairs, Fordham University
- H.E. Ambassador Rubén Hasbún, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of El Salvador to the United Nations, on behalf of the Group of Friends of Older Persons

**Moderator:**
- Rosemary Lane, Focal Point on Ageing, Division for Social Policy and Development, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)

**Speakers:**
- H.E. Ambassador Toshiya Hoshino, PhD, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations: *Experiences and Lessons from the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami in 2011 and Other Natural Disasters*
- Andrew Painter, JD, Senior Policy Advisor (Human Rights/Protection), Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees: *Addressing the Needs of Older Displaced Persons*
- Sandra Vines, Director for Resettlement, International Rescue Committee: *The Needs of Elderly Refugees in the Resettlement Process*
- Sylvia Beales, Consultant on Ageing and ‘Inclusive Social Development’: *Overview of Current Frameworks to Ensure Inclusion*

**Concluding Remarks:**
- Rene Desiderio, PhD, Research Fellow on Urbanization, Displacement and Older Persons, Institute of International Humanitarian Affairs, Fordham University

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