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ABOUT CARFMS

The Association works to foster an independent community of scholars dedicated to the advancement and dissemination of Canadian refugee and forced migration research by establishing active partnerships and collaborations among researchers, teachers, practitioners, policy makers, advocating and supporting publications, conferences, and other fora that contribute to open and inclusive communication and networking around issues relating to refugee and forced migration studies in Canada and elsewhere.

The vision of the Association is to create a community for scholars with an interest in issues relating to refugees and forced migration, to facilitate networking and collaboration between scholars, to disseminate research findings, to foster linkages between scholars and governmental and non-governmental actors, to serve as a forum for debate and intellectual exchange on refugee and forced migration issues, and to be a prime resource of Canadian scholarship and academic contacts in the field of refugee and forced migration studies in Canada. For more information visit our website at www.carfms.org

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L'Association cherche à encourager et réunir une communauté indépendante d'universitaires dédiés à l'avancement et à la diffusion de la recherche portant sur les migrations forcées et l'asile au Canada, en établissant des partenariats actifs et des collaborations entre les chercheurs, les enseignants, les praticiens, les représentants gouvernementaux et non gouvernementaux.

L'Association encourage et soutient la réalisation de publications, l'organisation de conférences et d'autres forums qui contribuent à créer une communication ouverte et inclusive, ainsi que le réseautage, sur des questions reliées à l'asile et aux migrations forcées, au Canada et ailleurs.

L'objectif de l'Association est de créer une communauté de chercheurs partageant un intérêt pour les questions reliées aux migrations forcées et à l'asile, de faciliter le réseautage et la collaboration entre les chercheurs, de diffuser les résultats de recherche, d'accroître les liens entre les chercheurs et les acteurs gouvernementaux et non gouvernementaux. L'Association vise aussi à créer un forum de débats et d'échanges intellectuels sur les questions de migrations forcées et d'asile, et à être une ressource incontournable au Canada en matière de contacts dans le milieu canadien universitaire et de la recherche dans ces domaines.

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WELCOME/BIENVENUE



By: Stephanie P. Stobbe, CARFMS President

Our world has changed drastically in 2025. The impact of the century-old conflict between Israel and Palestine over land, borders, and rights continue in the current war between Israel and Hamas in Gaza after Hamas' attack on Israel in 2023, Hamas' attack killed approximately 1,200 people in Israel and held 251 hostages leading to the Israeli offensive that has killed over 69,000 people in Gaza. The first phase of the October 2025 peace plan has led to a tenuous ceasefire, but attacks and obstacles continue (BBC, 2025). The Russia-Ukraine War, which began with Russia's annexation of Crimea in 2014 and full-scale invasion in 2022, continues with massive drone and missile attack and fighting in Pokrovsk in eastern Ukraine. While the media's attention has focused on these two wars, conflicts and wars are occurring in South Sudan. The UNHCR describes Sudan's crisis as the "world's largest displacement and protection emergency" with mass killing of civilians and 12 million people displaced. The Rohingyas are in a protracted conflict with over 1.2 million living in overcrowded refugee camps in Bangladesh with "increasing protections risks, deteriorating health

conditions, and limited access to essential services" (NRC, 2025). Nearly 8 million Venezuelans have left their country due to political, economic, and humanitarian crises (UNHCR, 2025). Civil war in Myanmar, extreme violence and food insecurity in Haiti and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and many other conflicts around the world have contributed to the ever increasing 123.2 million forcibly displaced people in 2024 (UNHCR, 2025). With 67% of refugees and others in need to international protection living in neighbouring countries, how can the rest of the international community assist? With tariff wars, cuts in international aid, and antimmigration sentiments, this is a daunting task.

CARFMS 2025 conference focused on "Canadian, Regional, and International Responses to Forced Migration." It was hosted by Toronto Metropolitan Centre for Immigration and Settlement, Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU) and chaired by Dr. Zhixi Zhuang. Keynote and plenary speakers spoke on various topics. Abdullahi Dahir Mire shared his work on the Refugee Youth Education Hub that champions the voices of refugees to take leadership in humanitarian action in Kenya. Former Senator Ratna Omidvar, who participated in the Senate study on Ripped From Home: The Global Crisis of Forced Displacement, spoke on "Canada's Place in the Forced Displacement Crisis." Senator Marilou McPhedran discussed "The Forgotten Human Rights of Afghan Women and Girls." Michael Molloy, Sorpong Peou, Minhtri Truong, and myself shared stories on "Forced to Flee: The Stories of Southeast Asian Canadians from Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia (1975-2025)," and highlighted the successful integration of Southeast

Asian refugees in Canada and the many contributions they have made and continue to make in Canada and around the world. Many other sessions addressed the conference theme in powerful ways - human trafficking, critical issues in refugee and migration laws, complementary pathways, trauma-informed research,... The Exhibition - Hearts of Freedom: Stories of Southeast Asian Refugees (Creator and Curator: Stephanie P. Stobbe) which has been travelling across Canada to different national and provincial museums, universities, libraries, government houses, city halls, and the Senate of Canada, was showcased at CARFMS. Documentary: Night and Fog in Kurdishan (Producers/Co-Producers - Gulay Kilicaslan, Keyvan Fahimi, Shilan Saadi, and Nazanin nana Valajam) was screened at CARFMS and received the Best International Documentary Award at the Female Eye Film Festival in Canada in 2025. Congratulations to the team! See our conference website for further details on each session: https://site.pheedloop.com/event/carfms25/schedule

A special thank you goes to the Conference Planning Committee: Dr. Zhixi Zhuang, Dr. Kateryna Metersky, Juliana Moreno Baez, Raphaella Valeri, Yousef Aleghfeli; and CARFMS Executive members Dr. Stephanie Stobbe (President), Michele Millard (Secretariat), Dr. Idil Atak (Director at Large), Dr. Sorpong Peou (Director at Large), Dr. Rabindra Chaulagain (Director at Large), Rachel McNally (Student Director), and Cassie Dong (Student Affairs Officer). Thanks to Shayne Wong (Communications Officer) who created all the posters for the conference and shared information on social media; and to all the amazing volunteers at TMU who helped to make

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the conference run smoothly.

Since the conference, we've had a few positions with terms that have been completed on CARFMS Executive. A special thank you to Dr. Idil Atak, Dr. Sorpong Peou, Dr. Rabindra Chaulagain, Dr. Kira Williams, Rachel McNally, and Brian Dyck who have served over the past terms, and for all your support of and contributions to CARFMS. A CARFMS election was held in the summer of 2025 and we are proud to welcome the following new members to our team: Dr. Emily Le Roux-Rutledge (Secretary), Dr. Lori Wilkinson (Policy Partnership Officer), Daniel Berket (Student Director), Natasha Sofia Martines (Student Director), Dr. Adèle Garner (Director at Large), Adbullahi Mire (Director at Large), and Shilan Saadi (Director at Large). Lynn Weaver has moved from Director at Large into her new role as Practitioner and Advocacy Officer.

In between our biennial conferences, CARFMS continues to host webinars, book launches, blogs, student essay contests, and other activities related to refugees and forced migrations. Please join us for the virtual launch of *Peace Research: The Canadian Journal of Peace and Conflict Studies*' special edition based on the 2023 Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies (CARFMS) conference, "Racism, Rights, and the Responsibility to Protect Refugees." It is co-edited by Dr. Stephanie P. Stobbe and Dr. James C. Simeon. See the poster in the newsletter and registration with Eventbrite - https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/new-issue-virtual-launch-tickets-1937401162029?aff=oddtdtcreator

We are excited to announce that our next CARFMS 2027 conference will be hosted at the University of Manitoba and chaired by Dr. Lori Wilkinson. We look forward to sharing the Canadian Museum for Human Rights, the Journey to Churchill Exhibit including the Leatherdale International Polar Bear Conservation Centre, The Leaf – spectacular indoor Mediterranean and Tropical gardens in Winnipeg! The CARFMS Executive looks forward to welcoming you to the CARFMS 2027 conference at the University of Manitoba for another great CARFMS conference.



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Canadian, Regional, and International Responses to Forced Migration By Zhixi C. Zhuang & Raphaella Valeri

From May 26 to May 29, 2025, Toronto Metropolitan Centre for Immigration and Settlement (TMCIS) proudly hosted the 16th Annual Conference of the Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies (CARFMS) at Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU). This marks a full decade since TMU (formerly Ryerson University) last hosted CARFMS, making this year's gathering a significant moment of return and reflection. While we reconvened in the familiar spaces of TMU, much has changed over the past decade—not only the university's name change, but also the complex and evolving drivers of forced migration, both regionally and globally. As these challenges transcend borders, this year's conference aimed to foster cross-border dialogue and reflection, with a focus on Canadian, regional, and international responses to forced migration.

The conference brought together over 200 attendees—researchers, practitioners, policymakers, students, and people with lived experience of displacement from across Canada and around the world—to share knowledge and build community around pressing global migration issues. This year's theme, "Canadian, Regional, and International Responses to Forced Migration," served as a call to explore both the challenges and possibilities facing migration systems, policy, and infrastructure today. The event engaged with five timely and interconnected subthemes that reflected the complexity of forced migration: Peacebuilding and Addressing Root Causes of Displacement; Manufacturing Crisis; Regional Approaches to Asylum in the Americas; Innovative Research Methods and Approaches; and International Cooperation in Response to Forced Migration.

TMCIS played a central role in planning and delivering a dynamic and well-rounded conference program. The week began with a pre-conference workshop entitled "Migration Foresight: Lessons from researching emerging migration trends," providing space for in-depth learning and dialogue on climate-induced displacement and data science co-hosted by Dr. Yousef Khalifa Aleghfeli and Sarah Hoyos-Hoyos, researchers at the Canada Excellence Research Chair in Migration and Integration, TMU. A vibrant opening reception set the tone for the



days ahead, with welcoming remarks delivered by TMU's President and Vice-Chancellor Dr. Mohamed Lachemi to guests from across Canada and around the world. The keynote address was delivered by Abdullahi Dahir Mire, 2023 UNHCR Nansen Refugee Award Laureate, who managed to join a Zoom call from Kenya despite a power outage and the denial of his Canadian visa. His experience underscored how border restrictions, basic survival challenges, and even unreliable digital access shape forced migration — stark contrasts to privileges often taken for granted in the Global North. The reception also featured a fireside chat between The Honourable Ratna Omidvar, former Canadian Senator and champion for immigration and equity, and Dr. Kateryna Metersky of TMU, discussing her policy advocacy to address the root causes of displacement.

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In the following three days, we hosted 39 concurrent sessions, featured two keynotes, two plenary panels, one traveling exhibition, and two field trips to visit local settlement agencies. Dr. Stephanie Stobbe, President of CARFMS delivered a keynote speech to introduce the traveling exhibition "Hearts of Freedom" — a moving archive of stories of Southeast Asian refugees from Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia. She also moderated a plenary panel featuring individuals with lived experience of displacement: Michael Molloy, MinhTri Truong, and Sorpong Peou, marking the 50th anniversary of the Southeast Asian refugee movement. Panelists reflected on the displacement of over 3 million people and Canada's historic resettlement of 210,000 Southeast Asians—the country's largest and longest non-European refugee effort. Another powerful plenary panel was moderated by Dr. Idil Atak, featuring Diana Gallego (Co-Executive Director, FCJ Refugee Centre; President of the Canadian Council for Refugees) and Darrell Pinto (Director of Employment, Jumpstart Refugee Talent). Panelists discussed pathways to meaningful inclusion in Canadian society, emphasizing employment access, refugee-led leadership, and the ongoing need for advocacy in national policy spaces. The conference concluded with Senator Marilou McPhedran's powerful keynote, "The Forgotten Human Rights of Afghan Women and Girls," highlighting her decades of work with the Canadian Council of Muslim Women, the Afghan Women's Organization, and efforts to evacuate hundreds of Afghan women after Kabul's fall in 2021.

On the final day of the conference, attendees joined field trips to Toronto-based organizations aiding refugees: the FCJ Refugee Centre, offering transitional housing, legal aid, and holistic services, and The Neighbourhood Organization (TNO), providing employment, housing, language, and community programs since 1985.

TMCIS extends heartfelt thanks to both our internal and external partners and sponsors, whose generous support made this event possible. Special thanks to both our internal and external partners and sponsors, including the:

- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council
- The Neighbourhood Organization
- FCJ Refugee Centre
- Centre for Refugee Studies at York University
- Nepalese Society of Nova Scotia
- Canadian Bhutanese Society
- At TMU, we have received tremendous support from the following offices, schools, and departments, including:
- Office of the President
- Office of the Provost
- Faculty of Community Services
- Yeates School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies
- Lincoln Alexander School of Law
- School of Urban and Regional Planning
- Daphne Cockwell School of Nursing
- Master of Arts program in Immigration and Settlement Studies
- Department of Sociology,
- Canada Excellence Research Chair in Migration and Integration
- School of Journalism

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The generous support from our internal and external sponsors reflects a strong, collective commitment to addressing the pressing issues of forced migration. Behind the scenes, this event was made possible by the tireless work of the following individuals:

- •Conference Organizing Committee: chaired by Dr. Zhixi Zhuang, and supported by Dr. Stephanie Stobbe, Dr. Idil Atak, Michele Millard, Dr. Kateryna Metersky, Dr. Yousef Aleghfeli, Dr. Rabindra Chaulagain, Rachel McNally, Bich Dong, and Dr. Sorpong Peou.
- •TMCIS' Project Coordinators: Raphaella Valeri, Dina Dong
- •Student interns from TMU: Safiyyah Memon, Daniela Paredes Flores, Nadirah Sukhram, Jenna Fairey, Isabel Vilarino, Aia Bakir, Ream Zreik, and Sara Lee.
- •Graphic design: Shayne Wong

We also want to extend our sincere gratitude to all of the attendees for their active participation, thoughtful contributions, and strong commitment to advancing dialogue on forced migration. TMCIS is honoured to host the 2025 CARFMS conference and to have fostered meaningful dialogue, community building, and knowledge exchange at this critical time.



Members of the Conference Organizing Committee, TMCIS Project Coordinators, & TMU Student Interns

Rethinking Refugee Protection: Canada's Role in a World of Displacement by the Honourable Ratna Omidvar

It was an honour to speak at the Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies (CARFMS) conference on my work as an activist, legislator, and advocate for refugees. My own lived experience of displacement has deeply shaped my motivation to engage with these issues. But beyond the personal, I took the opportunity to remind the audience of our legal obligations to refugees under both the 1951 UN Refugee Convention and Canada's own laws.

At the heart of these commitments are two fundamental principles: the right to seek asylum from persecution in another country, and the right not to be returned to a country where life and freedom are threatened because of race, religion, nationality, political opinion, or membership in a particular social group. These rights form the backbone of the international refugee protection regime, and they continue to serve as a moral compass for democratic societies like ours.

Laws Are Not Static: They Can and Must Change

I learned early in my activism that laws and frameworks are never fixed. They evolve through political campaigns, parliamentary amendments, court interpretations, and shifts in public sentiment.

One of my first experiences with legislative change came in the early 2000s, when I helped lead a campaign to expand eligibility for student loans to refugee students in Ontario. It was a small but significant step toward equity. Years later, as a Senator, I concluded my parliamentary career with the Senate Human Rights Committee's study on Global Forced Displacement. That trajectory—bookended by efforts to expand access to education for refugees and to scrutinize Canada's international responsibilities—confirms that for me, the personal is indeed the political.

After working on refugee issues for more than four decades, I have concluded that the roots of both the challenges we face and the solutions we need lie in the willingness to amend, innovate, and re-imagine national and international frameworks for refugee protection.



The UN Refugee Convention: Still Foundational, but Outdated

The 1951 Refugee Convention and its 1967 Protocol remain the cornerstone of international refugee law. Conceived in the aftermath of the Second World War, the convention was a response to the mass displacement and persecution of Jews and other groups in Europe.

More than 70 years later, however, the convention struggles to meet the realities of displacement today. The world now faces over 43 million refugees and asylum seekers (and more than 120 million forcibly displaced people overall, when including internally displaced persons), according to the UNHCR's 2024 Global Trends report. The numbers are higher, the causes more complex, and many states are actively resisting their responsibilities.

Several key gaps stand out:

- Climate-induced displacement: The convention does not recognize
 people forced to move due to rising seas, drought, or extreme weather.
 Yet the World Bank estimates that by 2050, climate change could
 displace over 200 million people worldwide.
- Underfunding of the UNHCR: Contributions by UN member states remain voluntary, not mandatory. As a result, the UNHCR operates under chronic budget shortfalls. In 2023, it received only about 58% of the funds needed to carry out its protection and assistance programs.
- Political resistance: Efforts to reopen or renegotiate the convention could backfire. Many experts caution that the political climate in numerous UN member states is such that reopening the treaty might reduce protections rather than expand them.

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Canada's Opportunity for Leadership

The limits of the UN framework do not mean we should throw up our hands in despair. On the contrary, they present an opportunity for countries like Canada—committed to peace, security, human rights, and development—to lead in rethinking refugee responses.

The Senate Human Rights Committee's 2022 report Ripped from Home found that while Canada's leadership in resettlement and humanitarian assistance is commendable, the overall global results remain insufficient. The report urged Canada to make forced displacement a top foreign policy priority and to align its international development and security efforts accordingly.

If adopted, this recommendation would breathe new life into our efforts on peace, security and protection. For instance, peace in Sudan would address the needs of the millions displaced by the strife displaced to neighbouring Chad, Egypt, and South Sudan. Similarly, Russia's frozen state assets in Western countries could be deployed to provide relief for Ukrainian refugees and internally displaced persons. Global financing institutions such as the IMF and WTO, traditionally focused on finance and trade, could be leveraged to provide relief to frontline host countries like Lebanon, Bangladesh, and Colombia, which carry the heaviest burdens. And perhaps most importantly, Canada could spearhead a campaign to advocate for mandatory, proportional contributions from UN member states to the UNHCR, ensuring stable and predictable funding.

Canada's Mixed Record at Home

Inside our own borders, Canada's response to refugees has been uneven. We have As examples:

• Exclusion: During the Second World War, Canada turned away thousands of Jewish refugees fleeing Nazi persecution.

- Compassion: In the late 1970s, Canada welcomed over 75,000 Indo-Chinese refugees from Vietnam, Cambodia, and Laos—a landmark example of government-community partnership.
- Recent examples: Canada repeated this generosity in 2015 by welcoming over 60,000 Syrian refugees, and again in 2022 by opening special pathways for Ukrainians fleeing war.
- Shortcomings: Our response to Afghans, Palestinians, and Rohingya has been far more limited. Most recently, the federal government has announced reductions in refugee intake targets, even as the global crisis deepens.

This inconsistency reveals a troubling truth: Canada's refugee policies are often shaped less by long-term commitments and more by short-term political sentiment.

Public Sentiment and Political Will

Canada's outpouring of support for Syrian refugees in 2015 demonstrated how compassion can galvanize political action. But compassion is fragile. It often wanes after the initial moment of crisis. To meet our obligations—legal, ethical, and moral—we must institutionalize refugee protection in ways that are less dependent on electoral cycles or public moods. That means embedding refugee considerations into the core of foreign policy, development assistance, and immigration planning.





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Looking Forward: Principles for a New Era

If Canada is to rise to the challenges of forced displacement in the 21st century, we must be guided by a few key principles:

- 1. Human rights first: Protection of life and dignity must take precedence over political expediency.
- 2. Global solidarity: Canada must work to share responsibility more fairly among states, recognizing that poorer countries host the majority of the world's refugees.
- 3. Innovation in law and policy: We must explore new legal instruments or protocols—especially for climate-displaced persons —even if the Refugee Convention itself remains untouched.
- 4. Stable funding: Humanitarian action cannot be sustained without predictable resources. Canada should lead global efforts to reform UNHCR financing.
- 5. Domestic consistency: Our response must not vary depending on which refugee group is in the headlines. Fairness and equity must be the standard.

Conclusion

The world is entering a new era of displacement. Wars, authoritarianism, poverty, and climate change are combining to create a scale of forced migration unseen in human history. For Canada, this is not only a foreign policy challenge but a test of our identity as a nation. We have shown generosity before, and we can do so again—but this time, we must go further. Our task is not just to respond to the next crisis with compassion, but to build durable, structural, and principled responses that ensure Canada is prepared for the world to come. The personal may be political, but the political must also be principled. If we rise to this challenge, Canada can play a defining role in reimagining refugee protection for the 21st century.



(L-R) Dr. Zhixi C. Zhuang, Dr. Kateryna Metersky, Former Senator Ratna Omidvar, & Dr. Stephanie P. Stobbe

IARMJ Working Parties Process Delivers Another Panel Session at the CARFMS 2025 Conference at TMU by James C. Simeon



The International Association for Refugee and Migration Judges (IARMJ), and many of its members, have participated at many CARFMS Conferences over the years. The 2025 CARFMS biannual conference held at the Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU) last May was no different. The IARMJ Working Parties Process held a panel session titled, "Collaborating and Cooperating on Critical Issues Confronting Refugee and Migration Laws," on the morning of Wednesday, May 28th. The panel session was comprised of five Rapporteurs and Associate Rapporteurs from five of the 12 active IARMJ Working Parties: Judge Judith Gleeson, UK, Rapporteur, Human Rights Nexus; Judge John Keith, UK, Rapporteur, Information Technology, Artificial Intelligence, and Judicial Decision-Making; Nurjehan Mawani, Canada, Rapporteur, Climate, Migration, and Protection Pathways; Professor Yukari Ando, Japan, Associate Rapporteur, Detention; and, Professor Hilary Evans Cameron, Canada, Associate Rapporteur, Training, Ongoing Professional Development. (See here for a list of the IARMJ Working Parties). The panel session was chaired by Professor James C. Simeon, the Coordinator of the IARMJ Working Parties Process. Judge John Keith and Nurjehan Mawani participated in the panel session synchronously via Zoom. Each of the Rapporteurs and Associate Rapporteurs presented the latest developments and activities of their respective Working Party, save Professor Cameron who presented on behalf of the Country-of-Origin Information, Expert Evidence, and Social Media Working Party that is in the midst of having it Social Media Guidelines approved by the IARLJ for the benefit of its members.

Professor Simeon gave an opening presentation explaining the IARMJ as an professional judicial organization consisting of refugee law decision.

makers as members and a number of academics as associate members. He also outlined the role of the IARMJ Working Parties Process in researching and examining critical legal issues in refugee and migration law in the hope of finding a resolution to these. A number of IARMJ Working Parties have formulated guidelines for how to address key areas of concern in refugee and migration law. These guidelines are available on the IARMJ website at https://www.iarmj.org/en/working- parties. IARMJ Working Parties present conference papers, reports, and updates at the biennial IARMJ World Conferences and Regional Chapter Conferences. These documents have been published in the World Conference proceedings and on the IARMJ website at https://www.iarmj.org/en/publications/world-conference-papers. The IARMJ Working Parties Process has made a significant and valuable contribution in promoting a common understanding of international refugee and migration laws. This is especially the case given that there is/are no International Refugee and/or Migration Court(s) to address divergencies in the application and the interpretation of international refugee/migration law across jurisdictions.

The panel session was well attended and elicited a lively question and answer segment following the presentations. The IARMJ Working Parties Process panel session at the CARFMS 2025 Conference demonstrated the benefit of IARMJ members contributing to CARFMS biennial conferences through providing the unique perspective and experience of frontline refugee and migration law decision-makers from around the world. We very much hope that the relationship between the IARMJ and CARFMS will continue to grow and develop in the years to come.

Congratulations to the 2025 Student Essay Contest winners!

Undergraduate Winner

Passports and Palestine: Talismans of Transnational Trauma

by Jonathan Roswell

University of Toronto, Scarborough

(L-R) Dr. Stephanie P. Stobbe, Jonathan Roswell, & Dr. Anna Purkey

Graduate/Law Winner

The Racial Carcerality of Migration Governance

by Brianna Garneau Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, York University



(L-R) Dr. Stephanie P. Stobbe, Brianna Garneau, & Dr. Anna Purkey

CARFMS 2023 CJPCS SPECIAL ISSUE

CARFMS23 Conference Theme, "Racism, Rights, and the Responsibility to Protect (R2P) Refugees," is Featured as a Special Issue of the Canadian Journal of Peace and Conflict Studies (CJPCS)



Following each CARFMS biennial conference there is a CARFMS tradition of providing a publication that includes the highlights of the conference and/or an edited volume based on that year's CARFMS biennial conference theme. The CARFMS 2023 Conference was held at York University as part of CONGRESS with the conference theme of "Racism, Rights and the Responsibility to Protect (R2P)." (See Pheedloop Site here). This theme was then taken up by the Canadian Journal of Peace and CONGRESS with the conference theme of "Racism, Rights and the Responsibility to Protect (R2P)." (See Pheedloop Site here). This theme was then taken up by the Canadian Journal of Peace and CONGRESS with the conference was held at York
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All those who presented at the CARFMS23 Conference, along with others, were invited to submit their abstracts and completed papers for our Special Issue. The two co-editors, Professor Stephanie Stobbe, President of CARFMS, and James C. Simeon, VP of CARFMS, reviewed all the submissions and managed the peer-review process working closely with the staff at CJPCS and the contributors and peer reviewers.

The final outcome of the process has produced the four excellent substantive academic journal articles and an introduction:

- James C. Simeon and Stephanie P. Stobbe, "Introduction to the Special Issue of "Racism, Rights and the Responsibility to Protect (R2P) Refugees"
- James C. Simeon, "Armed Conflict, War, the Responsibility to Protect (R2P), the Human Right to Peace, and the Forcibly Displaced"
- Maureen Silcoff, "Public Policy Programs: Canada's By-Pass to Refugee Protection Restrictions,"
- Gamze Ovacik, "The Right to Seek Asylum as a Manifestation of Responsibility to Protect Refugees,"
- Sorpong Peou, "Political Violence, Refugees, and the Near Futility of Global Retributive Justice."

All the contributions to the Special Issue are interesting, challenging, and break new ground in both refugee and migration studies and peace and conflict studies. They are a fitting collection in the CARFMS tradition of producing an edited academic volume on the conference theme of our successful biennial conferences.

To help launch this Special Issue of the CJPCS, Canadian Mennonite University will be holding a Webinar on **November 21, 2025** that will feature the contributors to the Special Issue who will make brief presentations based on their academic articles and the theme of the Special Issue. CARFMS is proud to help sponsor the launch of this special issue. **Please RSVP here.** We look forward to seeing you there.

CARFMS WEBINARS

Joint Webinar with MDPI on "Migration and Human Rights in the Age of the Global Compacts II" by James C. Simeon

On Wednesday, June 11, 2025, CARFMS and MDPI held a joint webinar on their Topic on "Migration and Human Rights in the Age of the Global Compacts II." With only one week's promotion, principally on social media and with email blasts, the webinar attracted 140 registrants from across the globe. On the date of the webinar there were 73 unique attendees. The joint webinar featured Professor Elspeth Guild, Global Chair in Social Justice, University of Liverpool, and legal counsel with the London, UK, firm of Kingsley Napley, as the chairperson, and three leading experts on the Global Compacts on Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM) and the Global Compact on Refugees (GCR).

The speakers included:

- Dr. Madeline Garlick, Chief of Protection and Legal Advice, Division of International Protection, UNHCR, Geneva, Switzerland;
- Professor Francois Crepeau, Faculty of Law, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada; and,
- Adrian Berry, KC, Barrister, Garden Court Chambers, London, UK.
- The webinar was wrapped up by Professor James C. Simeon, School of Public Policy and Administration, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies, York University, Toronto, Canada.

The webinar was about 90 minutes long and included a question-and-answer segment. Professor Guild opened the webinar and introduced the speakers. The first speaker, Dr. Garlick, concentrated her remarks on the immediate challenges faced by the United Nations and the UNHCR due to member States cuts to funding these international organizations. She said that on World Refugee Day, June 21st, new statistics will be released that there will be an increase in the numbers of forcibly displaced people in the world, yet due to the freezes and reductions of State contributions, the UNHCR will have to manage a drastic reduction in its operating budget. These dramatic cutbacks in funding will require a humanitarian reset that could include a review of the UN agencies'



mandates. This raises the question, what does this mean for the GCR? With the multi-stakeholders involved, including civil society organizations, academia, the private sector, and others, they will have to play a greater role that will include pushing States to meet their commitments at the Global Refugee Forum, as well as provisions of the GCR. The Global Compacts will become more relevant and important in shaping future developments and in addressing the severe cutbacks in funding that the UN is facing and not less so.

Professor Crepeau focused his remarks on reducing labour exploitation to enhance human mobility. Professor Crepeau began his remarks by noting that humanity has always been a "migrating species." People have always been on the move and this is a human constant. He emphasized three key points: repressing mobility keeps failing; migrant 'precarity' is policy induced; and migrants cannot defend their human rights. Professor Crepeau presented a brief historical overview of the

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international mobility framework over the past 80 years or so. It has gone from a relatively open one to a highly constrained mobility framework. The "push factors" have been always survival and the maintenance of human security, while the "pull factors" have been economic and quality of life enhancements. The repression of mobility keeps failing because of the human desire to better their life experience. As Professor Crepeau said, "'Hope' is in our DNA." Low wage labour is in constant demand whether it is in construction, agriculture, the service industry, hospitality, and so on. Consequently, 'precarity' is part and parcel of public policy limiting mobility. The underlying logic is to reduce labour costs by ensuring that migrants remain illegal. People who are in these positions cannot defend their human rights because they are ineligible to vote or to express themselves in the public forum. They do not have a "political voice." Professor Crepeau stressed that States need to facilitate mobility and not repress it.

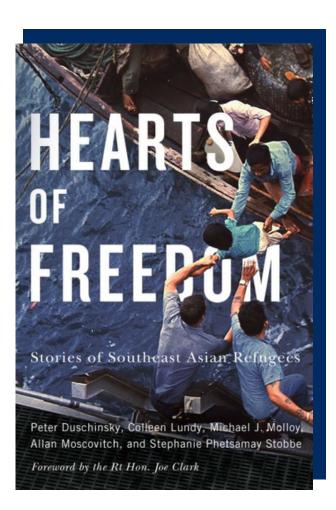
Adrian Berry spoke on the role of Global Compacts in strengthening international legal norms. Berry concentrated his remarks on the United Kingdom and the new British Government's efforts at dealing with irregular migration and the so-called, national security problem. Their strategic objectives are based in what they have labelled as "progressive realism." In essence, Berry calls for legal counsel and advocates to employ the various provisions of the Global Compacts to protect the rights of migrants. Our governments must be held to account in meeting their commitments under the GCM and GCR. Berry does not underestimate the hard work that is involved in holding governments to account but with effort and persistence it can be done.

The question-and-answer segment dealt with a number of questions respecting the use of Global Compacts in protecting the rights of the forcibly displaced.

Professor Simeon thanked all the speakers and the attendees for their participation in the webinar and invited everyone to consider making a submission to their MDPI Topic on "Migration and Human Rights in the Age of the Global Compacts." He reminded everyone that they have until August 31st to submit their abstracts and October 31st to submit their manuscripts for the research Topic. And he noted that MDPI had waived the usual publication fee for any article published under our Topic. For those who are interested in viewing the full video of the webinar please visit the following weblink, https://sciforum.net/event/Topics-37?subscribe§ion=#welcome.

HEARTS OF FREEDOM: STORIES OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN REFUGEES BOOK RELEASE

By <u>Peter Duschinsky</u>, <u>Colleen Lundy</u>, <u>Michael J. Molloy</u>, <u>Allan Moscovitch</u> and <u>Stephanie Phetsamay Stobbe</u> Foreword by Rt. Hon. Joe Clark



The brand new book <u>Hearts of Freedom: Stories of Southeast Asian Refugees</u> (Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press, 2025) by Peter Duschinsky, Colleen Lundy, Michael J. Molloy, Allan Moscovitch and Stephanie Phetsamay Stobbe with a foreword by the Rt. Hon. Joe Clark.

Synopsis:

Between 1975 and 1997 some three million Vietnamese, Cambodians, and Laotians fled atrocities in their home countries, with over 210,000 resettling in Canada. While this history is partly known to some Canadians, little has been written about it, especially from the perspectives of the refugees themselves.

Hearts of Freedom is a rich oral history based on interviews with 145 former refugees, sharing deeply moving accounts of oppression, concentration camps, genocide, and perilous escapes over land and sea. Survivors reflect on their first impressions of Canada – the unfamiliar snow and cold, the unexpected kindness of neighbours, and occasional encounters with racism. Through their experiences, we come to understand the strengths and weaknesses of Canada's refugee programs. These stories reveal how refugees' attachment to Canada grew over the years and how multiculturalism policies facilitated that.

Ordinary Canadians played a decisive role in the first mass refugee movement through newly created private sponsorship programs – a role for which the United Nations awarded the Nansen Medal to the Canadian people in 1986. Coming at a time when we are assessing the benefits of immigration and refugee policies and programs, Hearts of Freedom documents the lives and contributions of people who have suffered the worst excesses of war to rebuild their lives in Canada.

By Stephanie P. Stobbe





Stephanie Stobbe & the Rt Honourable Joe Clark with the Lao community & Dr. Hieu Cong Truong

Co-author Michael Molloy

The book, *Hearts of Freedom: Stories of Southeast Asian Refugees*, is one of the deliverables of the larger Hearts of Freedom (HOF) project. We are excited to have McGill-Queen's University Press (MQUP) publish the book under the Refugee and Forced Migration Studies Series edited by Megan Bradley and James Milner. It's been great working with MQUP Senior Editor, Emily Andrew, and the rest of the MQUP team on this book. The book is published on the 50th anniversary of the fall of Cambodia, Vietnam, and Laos to communist forces in 1975 that led to the mass exodus of people to neighbouring countries in Southeast Asia. It is an example of resilience, successful stories of integration, and contributions from the Southeast Asian communities.

The book was published in mid-September 2025 and we had our first book launch at Ben Franklin Place in Ottawa on October 4th with our esteemed

guest the Rt. Honourable Joe Clark, who wrote the Foreword. This was an extremely meaningful event as he was the Progressive Conservative Prime Minister during the largest Southeast Asian Refugee Movement in Canada. His Cabinet Ministers, Ron Atky (Minister of Employment and Immigration) and Flora MacDonald (Secretary of State for External Affairs), were instrumental in advocating for the resettlement of 50,000 Southeast Asian refugees between 1979 and 1980. Mennonite Central Committee signed the first master agreement with the federal government to privately sponsor refugees on March 5, 1979. Thus, the Private Sponsorship of Refugees was implemented for the first time with the Southeast Asians. Mr. Clark spoke eloquently about Canada being a "community of communities" and the importance of collaboration among all levels of government, NGOs, and ordinary Canadians in the resettlement and settlement of refugees. He brought his wife, Maureen McTeer, their daughter, and grandson to the event. Each of the authors, Michael J. Molloy, Peter Duschinsky, Allan Moscovitch, Colleen Lundy, and Stephanie P. Stobbe shared information on the HOF project and stories from the book. The Vietnamese and Laotian communities hosted the reception with delicious ethnic foods. We sold out all the books from the bookstore!







Senator Peter Harder & Stephanie Stobbe



(L-R) Vickie Chew, Peter Duschinsky, the Rt. Honourable Joe Clark, Stephanie Stobbe, & Michael Molloy

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By Stephanie P. Stobbe

The second book launch took place in Winnipeg on October 18th at Marpeck Commons at Canadian Mennonite University. Dr. Cheryl Pauls, President of Canadian Mennonite University, Ms. Jennifer Chen, MLA Fort Richmond, joined authors Dr. Stephanie Stobbe and Mr. Michael Molloy to discuss the project and its importance to Canada's history. Ms. Chen introduced the Asian Heritage Month Act, that was first commemorated in May 2025, which Stephanie Stobbe participated in at the Manitoba Legislature. Mike and Stephanie read stories from their book and opened the session for a Q and A. The audience asked great questions, including an 11 year-old-girl who attended with her mother. She asked a couple of questions, including one about how to share these stories with students and the younger generation. Our HOF curriculum will be available soon for high schools and universities. Sukhothai Restaurant, owned by former Lao refugees, sponsored an amazing spread for the reception. CommonWord Bookstore also sold out their books.



Authors: Michael Molloy, Peter Duschinsky, & Stephanie Stobbe





Le Tuyet, Stephanie Stobbe, Han Trinh, & Le Tuyet's daughter





Michael Molloy, Stephanie Stobbe, & the Lengsavath family



Stephanie Stobbe and Cheryl Pauls (far right) with the Vietnamese & Laotian communities



MLA Jennifer Chen, Stephanie Stobbe, & friend



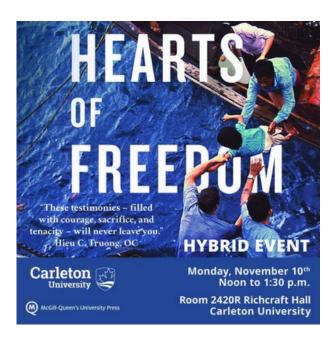
Michael Molloy & Stephanie Stobbe with the Vietnamese community



The third book launch went back to Ontario to Mississauga/Toronto at Burnhamthorpe Library on November 2nd. It was hosted by Han Trinh of the Vietnamese Association of Toronto and included Vietnamese singers. The afternoon included stories told directly from the former refugees we interviewed: Dr. Mai Liem (Vietnamese; Mathematician/Actuary); Le Tuyet (Vietnamese, Medical Lab Technician); and Dr. Stephanie Stobbe (Laotian, Associate Professor in Business and Conflict Resolution Studies). Vietnamese and Lao languages were spoken along with English. Authors Michael Molloy, Peter Duschinsky, and Stephanie Stobbe, along with Emily Andrew (MQUP Senior Editor) sold and signed all the books. Thanks to the Vietnamese community who provided a light reception.

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By Stephanie P. Stobbe



The fourth book launch took place at Carleton University, hosted by Dr. James Milner and the Migration and Diaspora Studies (MDS) on November 10th. In the hybrid format, we had a beautiful large room full of students and others on Zoom. The high-tech equipment was able to pick up all the speakers wherever they were seated. All five co-authors were present and shared different aspects and sections of the book. Discussions included questions on how we as authors worked together to write the book and why this book is important today in light of anti-immigration. Thanks to MDS for providing lunch.

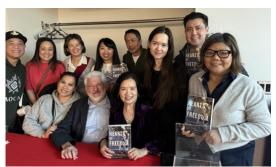
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On November 13th, we had our fifth book launch at Beechwood in Ottawa with an audience from the political and immigration diplomatic communities, members of the Canadian Immigration Historical Society, including a number of ambassadors. Our special guest, the Honourable Lloyd Axworthy, was Minister of Employment and Immigration under the Pierre Trudeau Liberal government of the day. Upon the Liberal government's return to power in March 1980, Dr. Lloyd Axworthy added an additional 10,000 to the initial Progressive Conservatives' target of 50,000 Southeast Asian refugees to be resettled in Canada through both private and government sponsorships. Between 1979-1980, Canada resettled an unprecedented 60,049 Southeast Asians. Each author shared segments of the book and Stephanie Stobbe was asked to share her own personal story. Excellent questions on the oversight of settlement, current immigration policies and cutbacks, and how we can push back at the negative stories on immigration. Dr. Axworthy stated, it's important to "push back" at narratives that immigrants are criminals, take away jobs, and take away housing when the fact is that they have made tremendous contributions to Canada. Mike shared that Dr. Hieu Cong Troung is a Vietnamese Canadian chemical engineer who created the "toonie," added colours to our coins, and he has designed coins for many countries around the world at the Royal Canadian Mint. Dr. Troung has received the Order of Canada for his outstanding contributions.



Authors (L-R): Stephanie Stobbe, Colleen Lundy, Allan Moscovitch, Peter Duschinskly, & Michael Molloy

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The Laotian community with Peter Duschinsky & Stephanie Stobbe

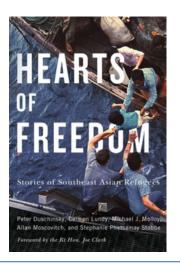
The Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21 in Halifax will host our book on November 24th. Dr. Emily Burton, the museum's oral historian and advisor to the HOF project, will have a conversation with two of the authors - Michael J. Molloy and Peter Duschinsky. To register for this free event, see https://pier21.ca/events-programs/canadas-storytellers-michael-j-molloy-and-peter-duschinksy

After Halifax, our book tour will continue in Western Canada. CARFMS is also scheduled to host a virtual book launch of the HOF – Stories of Southeast Asian Refugees in January 2026. More details will be sent out to CARFMS members and the public.

It's been wonderful to have community support in different cities across Canada. At almost all the launches, we have had a full audience and have sold out all the books from the bookstores that participated in our events. As Dr. Axworthy duly noted, in today's current world disorder, the book is "timely."



The Hon. Lloyd Axworthy, Stephanie Stobbe, Colleen Lundy, Daniel Jean, Michael Molloy, Peter Duschinsky



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MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

Meet our new Student Directors!



Natasha Sofia Martinez

Natasha Sofia Martinez is a PhD Candidate in the Department of Politics, with a specialization in International Relations and Women and Politics. She is also a Research Associate with the Centre for Research on Latin America and the Caribbean (CERLAC). Natasha is a critical scholar whose work bridges political science and digital migration studies. Her research uses digital ethnography to investigate transit migration in Latin America, with a unique focus on Migrant TikTok. She is interested in understanding how migrants share their stories and challenge borders, utilizing testimonio as a method.



Bereket Daniel Mekonnen

Bereket Daniel is a Human Rights Officer at the Ethiopian Human Rights Council (EHRCO). Currently, he serves as a Student Director with the Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies (CARFMS). He is also pursuing his Master's degree at Addis Ababa University, where his academic focus aligns with his professional commitment to the protection and promotion of the rights of internally displaced persons (IDPs) and refugees in Ethiopia. Bereket has led and participated in numerous human rights monitoring and documentation missions across displacement-affected regions, contributing valuable insights into the intersection of conflict, climate change, and forced migration.

In addition to his monitoring work, Bereket has conducted research examining the human rights implications of internal displacement and the challenges to durable solutions for refugees and IDPs. He is actively engaged in strengthening civil society capacities for rights-based advocacy and accountability in humanitarian response. Bereket holds a BA in Law and Governance Studies from Bahir Dar University and a Diploma in International Organizational Management from the University of Geneva.

Meet our new Secretary!



Emily Le Roux-Rutledge

Dr. Emily LeRoux-Rutledge is an Assistant Professor in Social Psychology at the University of the West of England (UWE) in Bristol, UK, and Chair of the UWE Global Migration Network. Originally from Canada, she is currently on sabbatical in Toronto and is a Visiting Scholar at York University's Centre for Refugee Studies (CRS) for the 2025–2026 academic year.

Her areas of research include refugee wellbeing, refugee identity, media narratives about refugees, and public representations of refugees. She conducts research in collaboration with refugee support organizations to improve services for newcomers, and each year she convenes the UK-based Asylum Seeker and Refugee Wellbeing Conference, which brings together academics, civil society organizations, healthcare providers, and local government representatives. Prior to completing her doctorate at the LSE, she worked in international development, and has conducted research in more than 25 countries. She has lived in Canada, Kenya, France, the UK and Bangladesh.

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Please send your webinar proposals to Dr. James Simeon and Dr. Aziz Rahman at <u>jcsimeon@yorku.ca</u> and <u>rahman17@myumanitoba.ca</u>

The email should include:

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Institution, faculty, and degree

A title and short description (200 words) of their proposed presentation.

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