

## UNHCR NGO Consultation

12 October 2016, 15h00 to 18h00

### The Common European Asylum System: Reforms and Options for the Future

The objectives of the consultation are to gather a wide range of civil society views on the reforms of the CEAS, possible options for the future, the role of UNHCR, and opportunities for cooperation between UNHCR and civil society. The consultation is open to all interested civil society participants.

15h00 to 16h00

#### Opening plenary debate: the CEAS – reform and possible options

- Assessments of reform proposals and possible options from 3 civil society participants (Amnesty, DRC, OSEFI)
- UNHCR views
- Interactive discussion (all participants welcome to share their views in a facilitated discussion)

16h30 to 17h30

#### Break-out groups (chaired by UNHCR and ECRE):

- Group 1: Reform of the Dublin system and possible options for the future (*Room Amalia Sieveking 0.K.01*)
- Group 2: Safe and regular channels for access to protection, including resettlement (*Room Nydia Erika Bautista 0.K.07*)
- Group 3: Reforms and options for the EU Agencies, border agencies, FRA, EU Asylum agency (*Room Liselotte Nold 0.K.05*)

17h30 to 18h00

#### UNHCR's role in Europe and opportunities for cooperation

- Report back on key points from break-out groups
- Key recommendations for cooperation
- Using the Strategic Partnership between UNHCR and ECRE

*The consultation takes place as part of the Strategic Partnership 2016 between UNHCR and ECRE.*