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## ***Localizing Humanitarian Response: Re-thinking Avenues of Support for Syrian Organizations***

March 23, 2016

14:00 – 16:45

Location : Maison de la paix, Chemin Eugène-Rigot 2, 1202 Geneva, Pétale 5, Conference room C2

### **Workshop Objectives:**

- Identifying ways of securing capable and trustworthy local Syrian partners.
- Exploring best practices to work with Syrian NGOs.
- Finding best avenues of connecting Swiss and Syrian humanitarian organizations.

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<b>14:00 – 14:30</b>	<b>Session I: Welcome and introduction</b>	
14:00 – 14:05	Context	Professor Ronald Jaubert
14:05 – 14:20	Addressing knowledge gaps: Main objectives and findings of research study	Steven Dixon, Elsa Romera Moreno and Amal Sadozai
14:20 – 14:30	Current activities and partnerships	Ahmed Haj Asaad, Geo Expertise
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<b>14:30 – 15:20</b>	<b>Session II: Presentations on current experiences from working inside Syria</b>	
14:30 – 14:40	Terre des hommes	Catherine Hallé
14:40 – 14:50	Vivere	Mike Hoffman
14:50 – 15:00	Medair	Johan ten Hoeve

15:00 – 15:10

Help Syria

Jamal Zakaria

15:10 – 15:20

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Dr. Tawfik Chamaa

15:20 – 15:30

Closing Remarks

Steven Dixon, Elsa Romera  
Moreno, Amal Sadozai and  
Professor Ronald Jaubert

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**15:30 – 15:45**

**Coffee Break**

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**Session III: Interactive Roundtable**

- Moving towards a localized response: Adapting new mindsets and attitudes
  - Identifying and working with local partners: Challenges and opportunities
  - Re-thinking avenues of support: Sharing experiences and creating links
  - Looking ahead: Opportunities and best practices for Swiss-Syrian humanitarian collaboration
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**16:45**

**Apéro**

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