

Dear Prof. Dr. Hon.Sir/Madame.....

Invitation to attend a Public Debate on:

## Migration – perspectives and trends of a worldwide phenomenon.

The Institute of Research and Dialogue for Peace (IRDP) in partnership with the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) Rwanda are implementing an "Open society Project" by organizing monthly public debates with overall objective of creating a space for critical and constructive evidence-based dialogue for sustainable peace and development in Rwanda.

Migration movements exist all over the world - this has been already the case for thousands of years. The causes can be very different and multi-layered: (Climate) Catastrophes can be just as responsible as wars, violent conflicts or social, political and economic hopelessness. Therefore, migration should not be regarded as a problem that needs to be solved, but as a challenge that needs to be answered.

During the debate questions such as "How can migration be shaped justly and globally?" or "How can societies develop a common understanding of migration issues?" will be raised. One focus will be on how migratory movements can be "managed" and what should be done that the integration of refugees is successful? Or: "What should home countries do (better) that people are able to stay home?"

The event is bringing together governmental and non-governmental organisations, FBOs and academia. The debate will be organised for two hours around a lunch. Further details can be found in the attached program.

It is in that context that the IRDP and FES Rwanda are honoured to invite you to attend a debate which will be held on

**Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> of May 2019, 11.00am – 2.00pm / Venue: IRDP office, KG 679 St Gisozi**

and separated Film Screening: 09.00 – 11.00 am / Venue: IRDP office, KG 679 St Gisozi

A small transport allowance will be provided to all participants.

Please, confirm your participation by email (not later than Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> of March 2019, 2pm):

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Do not hesitate to contact us for any further details.

Best regards



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