Syrian Refugees
No Relief in Sight

Tuesday February 27, 2018
12:00 p.m.
Palais Imperial Restaurant,
311-313 Dalhousie St., Ottawa
RESERVATIONS: Group78@group78.org 613-565-9449 ext. 22 by Friday February 22, 2018 by 12:00 pm

Dr. Baudouin will share her experience as the WHO consultant in Turkey in the city of Gaziantep where the two large refugee camps are located and the refugee population comprises 22% of the city population. She will argue that since the solution to Syria problem is nowhere in sight, it is time to look into the possibility of integrating the refugees to the existing societies by provide training, help finding jobs and provide job security. A lot of cooperation and collaboration is needed between the host government, UN agencies and the NGOs. Since the beginning of the Syrian civil war in 2011, UN identified that some 13.5 M Syrians are requiring humanitarian assistance of which more than 6M are internally displaced within Syria and more than 5M are refugees from outside Syria. The UNHCR counted more than 1M asylum applicants in Europe as of August 2017. The journey that refugees take, the hardship and the tragedies lived is little understood by the outside world. Among the countries of the Regional Refugee and Resilience, (3RP), a coordination platform including the neighboring countries (excluding Israel and Egypt), the UNHCR counted more than 5M refugees as of August 2017. Turkey is the largest host country of registered refugees with over 3M registered refugees followed by Lebanon close to 1M.

Fatos Baudouin
Fatos Baudouin is a Mental Health Specialist and Research Scientist with a specific focus on Common Mental Disorders and PTSD as well as developing educational programs for Primary Health Care Professionals. She has completed her medical education in Ankara /Turkey and arrived in Canada in 1983. In Canada she has worked as research associate with the Royal Ottawa Psychiatric Hospital, Alcohol and Drug Addiction Unit while completing a two year of “Advance Program for Addiction and Mental Health Studies” at the Addiction Research Foundation (ARF, now named Center for Addictions and Mental Health, CAMH). She was a guest professor at the University of Tunis, Medical Faculty Department of Psychiatry as well as Istanbul University Medical Faculty Department of Psychiatry 1990-1994. Since 1991 she has been working as international consultant for the UNDCP, WB, WHO and the Canadian Federal Ministry of Health as well as Provincial Ministries of Health. While working in Geneva for the WHO Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse her responsibility was to complete and finalize an educational project entitled “Mental Disorders in Primary Care” targeting Primary Health Care Professionals across the globe. Later, this educational program has been implemented in several provinces in Canada by Dr. Baudouin with funding from the Federal Ministry of Health, provincial Ministries of Health and with the collaboration of the medical schools. Her duty travels include Chad, responsible for 4 refugee camps on the Sudan border as well as running the Guereda field hospital. Philistine and Gaze (2 assingments) Diyarbakir/Turkey

$30 for luncheon and presentation (12:00 p.m.)
$5 for presentation only (arrive 12:45 p.m. coffee and tea will be available)

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Late registrations are welcome for presentation only.
Individuals who do not cancel their reservations at least 24 hours before the luncheon will be billed $30.