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#### **Elizabeth Collett**

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Elizabeth Collett is Director of Migration Policy Institute Europe and Senior Advisor to MPI's Transatlantic Council on Migration. She is based in Brussels, and her work focuses in particular on European migration and immigrant integration policy.

Prior to joining MPI, Ms. Collett was a Senior Policy Analyst at the European Policy Centre, a Brussels-based think tank, and was responsible for its migration program. She has also worked in the Migration Research and Policy Department of the International Organization for Migration in Geneva and for the Institute for the Study of International Migration in Washington, DC.

Ms. Collett holds a master's degree in foreign service (with distinction) from Georgetown University, where she specialized in foreign policy and earned a certificate in refugee and humanitarian studies, and a bachelor's degree in law from Oxford University.

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#### Preeta Law

Deputy Director of the Division of International Protection,
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**Preeta Law** is the Deputy Director for the Division of International Protection in the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in Geneva.

Ms. Law has extensive experience in the field, including in Asia, the Balkans and Africa. Her operational and headquarters responsibilities have included protection, including accountability and community-based protection, operations management and policy development.

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#### Paolo Naso

Professor of Political Science, La Sapienza University of Rome; and Coordinator of Mediterranean Hope (A project of the Federation of Protestant Churches in Italy (FCEI))



**Paolo Naso** is Coordinator of Mediterranean Hope, an ecumenical project to monitor Mediterranean migration and grant shelter to asylum seekers, based in Lampedusa and Sicily, since 2014. Additionally, since 2010, he has been Coordinator of the Master Program in Religion and intercultural mediation at La Sapienza — University of Rome in the Department of History, Cultures, Religions, where he is also an Adjunct Professor in Political Science and Political Journalism. Since 1989, he has served as Programs Director of the Federation of Protestant Churches in Italy, where he is also director of the Laboratorio interculturale di formazione e accogliezza (LINFA) a training course for intercultural church leaders.

He is also the Coordinator of the Council for the relations with Islam, established by the Italian Minister of Interior in 2016, and he is an advisor to the Ministry of Interior for interfaith and Intercultural policies (since 2012).

Previously, he was an Advisor to the Ministry of Social Affairs (2006-2008); to the Mayor of Rome for interfaith programs (2000-2008); and to the Secretary for Social Affairs of the Umbria Region. He was Visiting Professor of Sociology of Religions at Pontificia Università in Gregoriana, Rome (2011-2014); Professor of Political Science at the University of Catania in the Analysis of Political and Institutional Processes Department (1986-1988); and a Visiting Professor in 2011 at Davidson College and in 2007 at Wake Forest University. He has also been reporter and director at the TV Program *Protestantesimo*; and at the magazine *Confronti*. He has edited or written a number of books and regularly writes in various publications, including the magazine of geopolitics *LIMES*, the catholic monthly *Jesus* and the intercultural magazine *Confronti*.

He graduated in Modern History from the University of Studies of Milan. In 2014 he earned the Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale enabling him to teach Political Philosophy and political theory in the Italian universities. He has been enrolled in the Albo dei giornalisti since 1992.

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- March 2016 commentary: *The Paradox of the EU-Turkey Refugee Deal* by Elizabeth Collett is available at <a href="http://bit.ly/25o4ja7">http://bit.ly/25o4ja7</a>
- Also check out our webpage Moving Europe Beyond Crisis with a new data tool that shows asylum applications by country in EU/EFTA and by nationality for 2008-2015 is available at:
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