

Training for refugees, refugee community organisations, lawyers and campaigners

'Climate Refugees?'

This is a 90 minute workshop. There is a wide-ranging debate about the consequences of climate change on migration. There will undoubtedly be some level of forced migration due to environmental degradation and climate change. COIN has developed a short workshop to allow issues on this topic to be debated and discussed in group sessions. The workshop touches on:

causes of climate change

impacts on human beings

the failure to act internationally to curb green house gas emissions

sharing out the 'right to emit carbon dioxide'

international justice

'environmental refugees' or 'environmental migrants' or 'internally displaced persons'?

strategies for refugee rights campaigners in developed countries

The Trainer

In the 1990s, Tim Baster worked in the 'Third County' Team of the Refugee Legal Centre researching refugee protection in Europe and representing asylum seekers facing return to Europe. Later he founded and ran Bail for Immigration Detainees (BID) from 1997 to 2006. BID offered free legal representation to detained asylum seekers and , as legal aid was cut, BID created a completely revolutionary litigant-in-person project training detainees to prepare and present their own bail applications in the absence of legal representation.