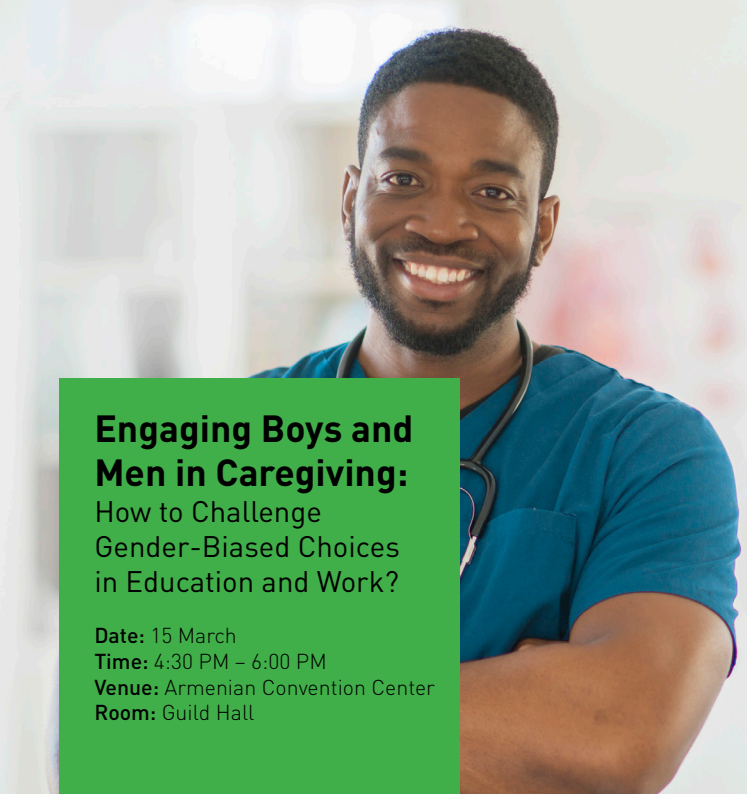


■ The gendered occupational choices of girls and boys have a negative impact on women's economic empowerment. Entering professional care work, boys and men meet gender stereotypes and obstacles, but also encouragement. How can we work to get both women and men to realize their potential and to obtain societies where all genders are invested in caring for the children, the elderly, and the sick – both in private and professional capacities?

To this event, the Norwegian NGO Reform – Resource Centre for Men has invited experts from South Africa, Lebanon, and Norway to share their experiences and discuss how we can promote this development by engaging boys and men in care work.

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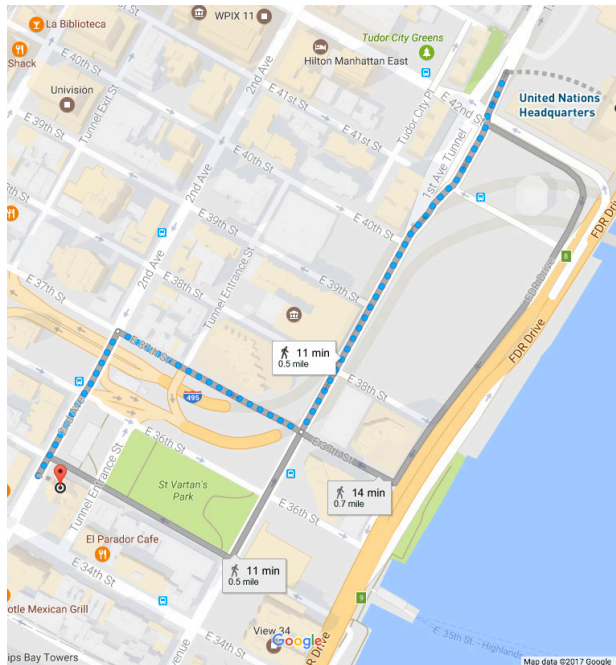
## Engaging Boys and Men in Caregiving: How to Challenge Gender-Biased Choices in Education and Work?

**Date:** 15 March

**Time:** 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

**Venue:** Armenian Convention Center

**Room:** Guild Hall



# Program

## Engaging Boys and Men in Caregiving

**Laila Bokhari**, *State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway*

**From a handful to 9 % men. Why do Norwegian day care have a relatively high percentage of male workers, and why is it not enough?**

**Ole B. Nordfjell**, *Sociologist and Senior Adviser, Reform – Resource Centre for Men, Norway*

**Gendered occupational choices and expectations in the Middle East and among Refugee communities**

**Anthony Keedi**, *Psychologist and Masculinities Technical Advisor, ABAAD, Lebanon*

**Men and nursing in the European North and South – Why so different?**

**Kari Nyheim Solbrække**, *Associate Professor, Institute of Health and Society, University of Oslo, Norway*

**A systemic approach to getting men more involved in care in South Africa: Experiences in institutionalising gender transformative approaches in state systems in South Africa**

**Dean Peacock**, *Founder and Co-Executive Director, Sonke Gender Justice, South Africa*

After the presentations, there will be a panel discussion, and also an open microphone for voices from the audience.

The event is chaired by Kris Bue, Trans Expert and Adviser at Reform, and Are Saastad, director at Reform.