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In his article on page 47 of this issue, Craig Johnstone, Deputy High Commissioner of UNHCR, says that “Our generation has failed to live up to its obligations to prevent climate change. We need urgently to prepare now for the human consequences of climate change.” One of those consequences is the displacement of people from their homes, whether temporarily or permanently. Researchers and politicians may argue about the numbers likely to be forced to move but all concur about the need for preparation, adaptation, mitigation – and collaboration. We hope that all readers will be challenged, inspired and informed by the articles in this FMR.

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We also wish to take this opportunity to thank all those who have contributed funds to support FMR during 2008. FMR is wholly dependent on external funding and we are deeply appreciative of both your financial support and your enthusiastic collaboration. (Please see page 79 for a list of FMR donors.) If you have ideas for themes for future FMR issues that your agency or department might be willing to support financially, please do contact the Editors.

Website relaunch

With this issue of FMR we are relaunching the FMR website. We hope you find the new website – still at www.fmreview.org – easier to navigate and more informative. We will also shortly be putting online an index of FMR articles, searchable by country and theme.

Readership survey

A short questionnaire is enclosed for those of you who are regular readers of FMR. Please share with us your views about FMR and how we might improve it. We would be extremely grateful if you would take a few minutes to complete it and post it back to us by the end of November. Alternatively you can complete it online at www.fmreview.org/2008survey.htm. Thank you!

With best wishes.

Marion Couldrey & Maurice Herson
Editors

Forthcoming issues

- October 2008: a 12-page supplement in Arabic and English on Islam, human rights and displacement. To request a copy, please email fmr@qeh.ox.ac.uk
- December 2008: a 32-page special issue on the 10th Anniversary of the Guiding Principles, in English, Arabic, French and Spanish. This will be posted to all regular readers of FMR.
- January 2009: FMR32 with feature on statelessness: see www.fmreview.org/statelessness.htm.
- May 2009: FMR33 with feature on protracted displacement situations. The call for articles is at www.fmreview.org/protracted.htm. Deadline for submission of articles is 19 January.

... and we welcome your suggestions for future themes for FMR.