ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE & TECHNOLOGY TOOLS FOR MENTAL HEALTH, WELL-BEING, AND RESILIENCE: Bridging the treatment gap in the cases of Syrian refugees in Lebanon, Hispanic workers in the USA & youth in humanitarian crises

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Using examples from work in progress to support Syria refugees in Lebanon, Hispanic workers in the USA and youth in humanitarian crises, an expert panel will discuss the application of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and other technologies to bridge the mental health treatment gap in low resource and emergency settings, thereby contributing toward implementation of SDG Target 3.4 “to promote mental health and well-being” with benefits across the 2030 Agenda including: SDG 1 (poverty eradication), SDG 4 (education), SDG 5 (empowerment of women), SDG 8 (decent work), SDG 13 (climate change and disaster risk reduction), SDG 16 (peaceful societies), and SDG 17 (multi-stakeholder partnerships).

Topics include:

- Introduction and overview: Moderator Dr. Judy Kuriansky, UN Representative for the International Association for Applied Psychology and professor, Columbia University Teachers College
- Sustainable development and the treatment gap overview: Dr. Caleb Otto, public health physician and mental health advocate
- Overview of AI and technology tools, implementation and ethical considerations: Dr. David D. Luxton, University of Washington
- The Mental Health and Substance Use Strategy for Lebanon: Rahih El Chammay, M.D., Ministry of Public Health Lebanon (video)
- X2AI, (a Silicon Valley tech firm), AI development, adaptation and field testing: Michiel Rauws, Co-founder and CEO of X2AI
- Voices from technology users in the field: (1) Bashar Kaddo, a Syrian refugee user of X2AI chatbot "Karim"; (2) Ruxanda Renita representing the UN Major Group for Children and Youth presenting the “Participatory Approach for Safe Shelter and Settlements Awareness” (PASSA) tool from Habitat for Humanity International; (3) Julie Edgcomb, Natividad Medical Center & the Monterey County Health Department presenting on support to Hispanic workers in the USA.
- Relevance of AI to the 2030 Agenda: Astrid Hurley, Office of the Director, Division of Social Policy and Development of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs