

# Dr. Ghada Sfeir Posts a New Webinar - Building Trust Between Marginalized Communities and the Police

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MONTREAL, QUEBEC, CANADA, January 27, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Dr. Ghada Sfeir aims to raise awareness and advance understanding of the contentious social undercurrents at play in modern societies. Through webinar topics such as "Systemic Racism Against Indigenous People" and "Cosmopolitanism for Canada's Growing Diversity: A Better Strategy Than Multiculturalism", Professor Sfeir explores the socially divisive and racist nuances embedded in the various facets of Canadian Society. She also taught courses on related topics such as "Culture, Power, & Politics," "Transnationalism and Cosmopolitanism," and "Diversity in the Classroom." Sfeir has authored several academic publications based on this research (See [www.ghadasfeir.com](http://www.ghadasfeir.com)).

The new webinar entitled "Building Trust Between Marginalized Communities and the Police in Cosmopolitan Cities: A Conversation with a local Police Chief" addresses a timely and pressing issue facing the safety of our marginalized and minoritized communities and their relationships with our local police force. The Keynote Speaker Police Chief Fady Dagher (Longueuil Agglomeration) shares the success of his immersion training program to build bridges between the police force and the communities they serve. His officers who participate in this training program have to spend five weeks with the marginalized families they serve in the community, without weapons or uniforms, in order to build healthy relationships based on trust, empathy, and awareness of the individual and collective struggles of marginalized groups. Police Chief Dagher "aspires to fostering a culture change in his organization through the establishment of a model of a "Police de Concertation", a form of police service whose philosophy is to focus on prevention by supporting and acting on the spot with its citizens and partners."

The focus of the webinar is on identifying practical methods to help bridge social divisions while addressing systemic racism and racial profiling.

This webinar was recorded on Friday, November 19, 2021 and is available to the public. Watch the recording here <https://www.ghadasfeir.com>.

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