

The False Panacea of ‘Thin’ Protection: Why We Need a Bold Plan to Save Refugee Protection

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A critical analysis of the UN’s response to the so-called global refugee crisis — the Global Compact on Refugees — and offering an alternative way to approach reform of the protection system.

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