Meeting minutes - 18th November 2014

Time: 11.30 - 12:30

Venue: Base Camp Buffer Zone meeting room F5 - Za'atari camp

Attendees ACTED, FCA, StC Jordan, RI, SCI, UNICEF, UNHCR, NRC, WC UK, KnK, UNESCO, MC

Chaired by: Maria Paradies and Reem Shammout

Agenda:

- Review action points and previous minutes
- JENA Workshop updates from the organizational committee
- Violence among and against learners (updates from Edu and CP)
- YTF updates (Higher Education advocacy)
- AoB (ERP orientations, data sharing from partners July Sept 2014)

#### SUMMARY of the MEETING/MINUTES

### 1. Review Action Points from previous minutes:

Minutes and action points were endorsed.

#### 2. JENA Workshop-updates from the organizational committee

Shorouq from the JENA workshop organization taskforce gave an update. The workshop will take place on Sunday November 30th. Invitations are being drafted to be sent to members from MoE. An invitation will be sent out to EWG members, YTF, and CP colleagues to confirm participants (at least 2 from each NGO). Participants will be divided into 5 working groups: 1- Pre School 2- Formal education 3-Informal education 4-Inclusive education 5-other sub actors with cross cutting issues. All the groups will discuss cross cutting issues as per JENA report.

The workshop will start at 10 am and end at 4 pm and will take place at base camp. Participants will be asked to bring laptops-at least one for each group. There will be 4 facilitators and there will be translation. Participants are expected to have read the report. The workshop objective is to propose solutions to problems revealed in the assessment and draft a work plan for 2015 tackling every issue.

### 3. Violence among and against learners (updates from Edu and CP)

The chair of the CP WG, Tahir, attended the meeting. He expressed concern over the low attendance of the CP meeting and urged the EWG members to attend every Thursday. Timing of the meeting was discussed, which will not be revised at this time. He shared with the EWG a draft matrix of actions to tackle violence against children and asked EWG for comments. Shoroug from UNICEF pointed outsome measures that are already in place such as the Ma'an campaign, signing a CoC and Maria stressed the importance of finding ways as a group for transforming the negative energy into creating a positive environment-a preventative not punitive approach.

SCJ said that there is a counsellor appointed by MoE and one working for SCJ in each school, who are ready to offer help and support too children and teachers alike.

EWG and CP decided to work together in a joint effort to start finding joint solutions and activities starting with the JENA workshop on November 30.

### 4. YTF Update:

- YTF is supported the Safety Audit with focus group discussions and there is a section on youth.
- YTF continues to share information and advocate for access to higher education for Syrian youths. Ongoing discussions are happening about some topics that need highlighting and where answers are needed. Such as:
  - Right to return to Jordan after graduating
  - Are documents needed? If yes, which ones are required?
  - Language expectations such as IELTS or TOEFL
  - What is the criteria of acceptance?

It was agreed that UNHCR will share a guidance note on out of country scholarships with everyone and that all such opportunities to be first shared with UNHCR before circulation.

-YTF is building its strategy on the retreat they had and will liaise with EWG and CP.

### 5. AoB (ERP orientations, data sharing from partners July – Sept 2014)

- 6.1)ERP Orientation dates have been set. Partners interested should get in direct touch with focal points (Ahmad Rab aba from RI and Wala' Husban from NRC, Tasneem from MC, SC Jordan and SCI) to arrange for their staff to get the orientation. Irene asked when the district teams/sectors will get the orientation. UNHCR and sector chairs will agree on dates.
- 6.2) Debora received most data from partners. She will compile and send analysis.
- 6.3) SCI to share a one pager concept note about their drop-in centres offering informal education for 6-12 out of school children. Concern was raised from partners about acceptance of this programme by MoE
- . 6.4) ACTED will share the 5 possible locations they found for their skateboarding project and ask for feedback from the group
- 6.5) Eddie from UNESCO shared their plans about a survey to collect data about HE needs. It will be through SMS and a website. It will be voluntary based. It is meant so partners can better plan for interventions in the future. UNESCO will write a brief update to be shared.

## Next meeting is on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014

# Proposed draft agenda:

- Review action points and previous minutes
- JENA Workshop feedback from participants
- Presentation of draft action plan 2015 for review
- YTF updates
- AoB

Action Points	Responsible	Status/Deadline
JENA Zaatari Workshop Organizational committee to send out invitations and details	NRC, STC Jordan, MC, UNICEF, RI	By Nov 24th
JENA Zaatari Workshop EWG members to confirm attendees after invitation is sent out	EWG members	By Nov 27 <sup>th</sup>
Violence among and against learners (updates from Edu and CP)  Partners to review action plan shared by CP co-chair and send comments back	EWG members	By Nov 23rd
YTF UNHCR to draft a guidance note on out of country scholarships for circulation	UNHCR	
AOB EWG to send feedback to ACT ED about location	EWG- ACTED	
UNESCO to share brief update on HE survey	UNESCO	
ERP roll out to district lever and other sectors.  ERP orientation- partners to liaise directly with focal points if interested Wala NRC walaa.alhhusban@nrc.no; Tasneem MC tayesh@jo.mercycorps.org; Ahmad Rababa ahmad.rababa@ri.org; Haneen Abu Halaweh	EWG Co-chairs with UNHCR  EWG members to liaise directly with focal points on	
habuhalawh@savethechildren.org.jo	dates etc.	