

Basic Needs Working Group Amman, Jordan

Meeting Location	EMOPS Room UNHCR Khalda	Meeting Date	6.03.2017
Facilitator	Elizabeth Burnhart (UNHCR) Fanny Marchand (PU-AMI)	Meeting Time	2.00– 4.00 pm
Minutes Prepared by	Ruba Saleh UNHCR		
Purpose of Meeting	Regular/Monthly Meeting		

1.) Summary of action points

No.	Action Point	Focal Point / Organization
1.	Activityinfo Feb2017 reporting to be concluded by 8 March COB	BNWG partners

2.) Session Summaries

Item	Discussion
ISWG update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - OCHA will have their advisory board meeting on Wed 8 March to discuss a programmatic priority document, prepared by ISWG in consultation with sector chairs, and presented suggested priorities to the JHF call for proposal. JHF call for proposal ceiling amount to 4 million USD (400,000 USD per project). The priorities for the BNWG are CRI in Azraq and multipurpose cash intervention. - The call is open only for NGOs who successfully submitted the capacity assessment document. UN agencies can apply if they demonstrate that there are gaps that NGOs cannot cover.
Data protection survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In May 2015, UNHCR introduced its current data protection policy. Part of the policy relates to the sharing of personal information to third parties and the importance of ensuring that partners and contracted third parties demonstrate equivalent levels of data protection. - A Data Protection Expert from UNHCR Regional Office is conducting interviews with interested partners. Partners interested to contribute in gathering of more qualitative information and share any best practices or lessons learned they might have are encouraged to contact Harry Brown (brownha@unhcr.org).

Cash Modality presentation (WRG, DRC, PU-AMI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WRG, DRC and PU-AMI presented the currently used cash modalities as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common Cash facility (CCF) (presented by WRG): CCF is facility for Cash Assistance Delivery by means of an Eyecloud platform. Cairo Amman Bank (CAB) is the current service providers for the CCF platform. Humanitarian actors are able to join this platform through an agreement with UNHCR/CCF Platform, and a direct agreement with CAB (including opening of bank account with CAB. CCF ensure data protection and guarantee that the designated cash collector well receive the assistance. • ATM (presented by DRC): distribution of cash assistances via ATM card is preferred by organization who work with protection cases as there is no need for proof of identity in addition ATM machines are accessible to beneficiaries. • Exchange Company (presented by PU-AMI): BNWG partners shared their experience using cash Transfer Company. The required documentations by the exchange company varies depending on partners requirements. - For further information related to the mentioned above cash modalities please follow the link to access the detailed presentations : http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/working_group.php?Page=Country&LocationId=107&Id=71
Winterization Task Force update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As part of the HWC sub-task force, Intersos and ACTED, provided a presentation on harsh weather condition emergency response. The presentation covered the area of intervention, type of assistance provided, and mechanism of responding to harsh weather conditions, challenges, best practices and achievements. For further information please follow the link to access the detailed presentation : http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/working_group.php?Page=Country&LocationId=107&Id=71 - Lessons learned documents Workshop to be held on the 2nd week of April upon finalization of PDMs by winterization partners. The workshop will cover feedback on the following: winterization guidelines, beneficiaries' selection, implementation modalities, funding, PDM and Harsh weather conditions. - BNWG partners who did not share yet their winterization 2016-17 PDM format and the period they plan to conduct the PDMs were encouraged to share it Ruba Saleh (salehru@unhcr.org). A proposed PDM format received from ECHO consortium will be shared with winterization task force members.
AOB.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Next BNWG meeting to take place on Monday 3rd of April from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm at the UNHCR EMOPS conference room.

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