

	Inter-Agency Refugee Education Working Group (IREWG) Meeting	Location	Remote – via Zoom
Chairs	Francesco Calcagno (FC), UNICEF, Adriana Cazacu (AC), MER	Date and Time	Friday, 1 April 2022, 13:00 -14:00
ESWG members participating	MER, UNICEF, EUD Moldova, World Bank, LUMOS, OHCHR, WHO, CRAP, CCF Moldova, World Vision, Plan International, International Rescue Committee, IsraAID, UNWOMEN, PRO BONO, CCH, UPSHIFT Moldova, FIN Church Aid, European Commission		
Agenda Items	Main Points Discussed	Actions	Responsible Persons
Review of the action points from the previous meeting	No Actions from previous meeting; minutes were endorsed		
Update on the inclusion of refugee children, including children with disabilities into the national education. Identified financial and education needs. Actualizarea informatiei privitor la includerea copiilor refugiatii, inclusive a copiilor cu dizabilitati in sistemul educational national. Necesitati financiare si educationale identificate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data on refugee children as of the 1st of April 2022 according to MER: 8,190 children registered at local public authorities; out of these, 1,647 children (20%) are enrolled in the national education system across the country. The number of refugees is decreasing: almost 10,000 less persons in one week. According to MER, there are several options regarding the enrolment of children in school. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Parents who requested asylum in the Republic of Moldova can submit an application form for the official enrollment of their children in Moldovan schools (Only 13 children are in this category) The rest of the refugee children are auditing classes without being officially enrolled. (989 children) 119 children requested Romanian as the language of instruction, while 1,056 children requested Russian. 333 children are participating in extracurricular activities in 50 centers across the country. MER performed a mapping regarding the needs of the refugee children in education, at the moment of this meeting, they are in the stage of data synthesis and will share it with UNICEF soon. MER has identified a space for the creation of a daily camp for refugee children, where children can connect to online classes provided by the Ukrainian Ministry of Education. MER will identify additional spaces to set up two preschools for refugee children in Chisinau, since almost 60,000 refugees are in Chisinau. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MER will identify spaces for creating two additional 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MER



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All the information about education services offered to Ukrainian refugees, including day centers, extracurricular activities, and the process of enrollment in schools can be found on the following website: www.dopomoga.gov.md 	preschools for refugee children in Chisinau	
<p>Presentation of immediate and mid-term activities included in the 5W Matrix Prezentarea activitatilor curente si planificate incluse in matricea 5W</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UN WOMEN offered their support for reviewing the methodology for assessments or mappings to assure that they are gender-sensitive and capture enough details for the provision of gender-sensitive responses. Also, UN WOMEN shared that the main reasons for the low enrolment of refugee children are the lack of information regarding the option of learning in the Russian language in Moldova and the difference in the curricula. On Tuesday, 5 April 2022, MER will open a day center for refugee children. The center will be located near a refugee placement center in Chisinau. CCH (Chisinau City Hall) informed the IREWG meeting attendees that a day camp with the capacity of 50 places has already opened in Chisinau from the beginning of March 2022, The day camp is daily visited by 80 children for extracurricular activities. According to OHCHR, an Inter-Agency working group for persons with disabilities was created and highlighted the importance of collecting data on the children with disabilities among refugee children as well as adopting daycare centers to their specific needs. IsraAID asked if there was close cooperation between the Ministry of Education from Moldova and the Ministry of Education from Ukraine. MER representative confirmed that they maintain clear communication with representatives from Ukraine, and that they have received recommendations regarding the enrollment of refugee children and resources for online learning (International School, Всеукраїнська школа). UNICEF provided updates regarding the vaccination of refugee children. The technical advisory group on immunization recommended to the Ministry of Health that vaccination against measles and poliomyelitis should take place no later than 18 days for refugee children from Ukraine. The World Bank proposed to create child friendly spaces equipped with laptops in order to connect refugee children to online classes. LUMOS mentioned that they are mapping the needs of refugee children. Once finalized, the data will be first shared with MER and then with all IREWG members later. UNICEF is organizing a training for all IREWG members on the coordination of education in emergencies. 		



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Refugee Response Plan (RRP) and 5W Matrix are living documents continuously updated with the latest activities and indicators. Partners are encouraged to add their activities in the matrix and update it on a regular basis. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By 3 April 2022 COB, all IREWG members will send the nomination for the “Education in Emergencies Core Coordination Training” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IREWG members
<p>Follow-up and next steps. Pasii urmatoari</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MER is finalizing the list of education needs of children. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On Monday, 4 April 2022, MER will send an official letter addressed to the UNICEF representative regarding the needs of the refugee children. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MER