

Regional Cash Working Group (CWG) Ukraine Refugee Situation

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Participants:

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Meeting Minutes

- 1) The **minutes from the 11 May meeting** were reviewed and endorsed. These have been posted on the UNHCR Operational Data Portal.

- 2) **Regional CWG activities matrix for support of national CWGs**
The updated matrix was shared back with the national CWGs for their final feedback and to ensure the requests for regional support are well defined. They were also asked to determine whether or not these asks are still a priority and then to have these ranked. This would then enable the regional CWG to prioritize our support. Of the 4 national CWGs for the Ukraine Situation, a response was only received from the Poland CWG. Of the 16 previous asks, only 3 remained a priority (harmonized PDM, common minimum data sets and templates for MoUs/DSAs), and even these were either already concluded, being addressed via separate mechanisms, or need to be approached on a country specific basis. As such, following a consultative process, there are currently no specific and actionable requests for regional CWG support.

- 3) **Future of the regional CWG**
Based on the lack of requests for support from the national CWGs, as well as lack of issues raised by regional cash actors, it was proposed to disband the regional CWG until further notice. If national CWGs or regional cash actors note issues that may need to be addressed by the regional CWG, or even possibly by the global Cash Advisory Group, then these can be raised to the UNHCR Cash focal point for Europe (Scott DiPretoro, dipretor@unhcr.org). It will then be determined whether to address the issue via a special meeting of a re-established regional CWG or for it to be shared with the global Cash Advisory Group for discussion and action. The CWG members present in the meeting were supportive of the proposal and there were no dissenting opinions. As such, the regional CWG has been disbanded, but can be re-established if the need arises.

- 4) **AOB**
CCD noted delays in receiving the data sharing agreement template for deduplication purposes that will be used in both Poland and Romania, along with the SOPs for the RAIS deduplication system. UNHCR will seek to expedite the finalization of the template and sharing of SOPs.