

## Child Protection Sub-Working Group - Romania 14 April 2022, 11:30-1:00 (hybrid)

**27 Participants:** Adra, Care, CNRR, ECLER/RAU, Hospice - House of Hope, ICRC, IOM, Plan International, Save the Children, Sera, Terre des Homme, UNHCR, UNICEF and War Child

### Welcome and Introductions

### Overview of Review Situation in Romania

- Since 24 February, **694, 783** Ukrainians have arrived in Romania (as of 13 April 2022) – estimated 34% children. **610,731** have departed Romania and **84,052** are presently in the country.

### APDCA Presentation on National Plan of Action (Children)

- Overview of the measures for children outlined in the Romanian Government's National Plan of Action (NPA). Final draft to be circulated once passed.
- Questions raised on children's communication with families and Romanian authorities' link with the Ukrainian authorities to identify missing children, timing of measures to be implemented and how can organizations support the Romanian Government now.
  - Measures include case management (identification, assessment, monitoring and follow-up), and although unitary procedures are still being developed, they will include linkages with family and authorities to ensure communication is re-established with families and all efforts made to identify and support missing children to be reunified.
  - On identification and referral of UASC, forms are filled in at the border and then sent to the local child protection directorate's office and entered in the database. No additional information on how the system works but will seek to obtain more information to share at a subsequent meeting. UNICEF provided overview of system used by the city council at the border that will be replicated and linked to Primero for child protection case management.
  - Timeframe is for the NPA to be passed in 1-2 months, so organizations encouraged to complete 5W matrix to immediately identify areas of support and synergies with the NPA and gaps to be filled. Once procedures are clarified, we can address capacity-building and training needs.

### Next steps / action points

- CP SWG 5W Matrix and available training packages and child-friendly materials – for each organization to complete by COB 19 April
- Copy of NPA to be circulated with the meeting notes

**The next CP SWG meeting (hybrid) will be held on 21 April 2022 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm.**