
PSEA Network meeting - Romania
31 March 2022, 10 – 1100 (held online)

Participants: Romanian National Council for Refugees (CNRR), Terre des Hommes, Care International and SERA, Action Aid, Caritas Romania, AidRom, ICAR Foundation, Hope and Homes for Children, Oxfam, Plan International, World Vision International, IOM, UNICEF, UNHCR.

Introductions

Co-leadership arrangement

- World Vision International – currently the IASC PSEA champion - was welcomed as the co-lead for the Network going forward. It is hoped that over time this role will transition to a local organization to further localization efforts and in recognition of the leading role played by local organizations in the response.

Network and focal point Terms of Reference - endorsement

- Re-visited the network and focal point ToRs with a view to endorsement.
- It was raised that some smaller organizations do not have the structures in place to take on some of the processes envisaged through the terms of reference. This point was well-noted, along with the fact that the response involves a wide spectrum of actors, from small grass-roots organizations to large, and well-resourced international organizations. The fact that there is a strong intention to take measures to have systems of prevention and response is important, and this is appreciated. The idea of the network is to support each other and offer tools and resources to strengthen systems.
- It was agreed to give until the end of the day to share any further comments on the ToR, also in light of new members. Otherwise the ToRs will be considered endorsed – there will be periodic review so opportunities to amend in future as well.

Updates

- A rapid risk assessment is underway; survey sent out this morning which takes 5 or so minutes to complete and key informant interviews in parallel. Initial outcomes will be shared at next week's meeting.
- UNICEF and UNHCR will be holding ToT sessions for implementing partners next week, others are welcome to join, please share interest with Agata Istrate or Rekha Menon, dates and times are as below:
 - Session 1: 5 April (2 – 5 pm) and 6 April (9 am – 12 pm)
 - Session 2: 12 April (2 – 5 pm) and 13 April (9 am – 12 pm)
- A repository of resources to encourage sharing of tools and good practices has been started on sharepoint

UNICEF presentation

- UNICEF shared information about the standards they require of organizations which they partner with, including policy, organizational management and human resource systems, reporting, assistance and referrals and investigations. They have a toolkit to help translate these standards into organizational policy.

Next steps / action points

- Rapid risk assessment – survey to be completed by COB Monday 4 April (please also share further with partners)
- Training of Trainers – please express interest to participate
- Share information about existing reporting channels to include on dopomoha / online information platform - ongoing

The next meeting of the Network will be on 7 April from 10:00 to 11:00 am