



GBV WG MoM	
<b>Date</b>	19 April 2023
<b>Time</b>	10-12:15pm
<b>Location</b>	UNFPA – Qubic Business Center GF meeting room
<b>Chairpersons</b>	Pamela Di Camillo (UNFPA) Sophie Etzold (UNHCR)
<b>Participants</b>	<b>29 participants</b> from: <u>UN agencies:</u> UNHCR, UNFPA, UNDP, IOM, UNICEF, UNWOMEN <u>International NGOs:</u> IMC, IRC, DRC, INTERSOS, Plan International, Oxfam <u>National NGOs:</u> Abaad, Amel Association, AND, Dorcas-Tabitha, HAD, Lecorvaw, Najdeh Association, NCA <u>Others:</u> GIZ

### Agenda

- Review of pending action points
- Coordinators' updates and info (ERP projects, LHF, MSNA/ VASyR, LASER, etc.)
- GBV Field coordinators updates
- Discussion on 2023 GBV Referral Pathways and follow up on Service Mapping
- Presentation of ActivityInfo Q1 reporting (LCRP and ERP)
- Final Client feedback Survey presentation and way forward
- ***Thematic presentation: analysis and mapping of women-led organizations in Lebanon: 'Always on the Frontline: the crucial role of women's organizations on advancing effective humanitarian action in Lebanon'***
- AOB

### Minutes of the Meeting

Subject/ agenda item	Discussion Points	Follow up action and FP
<b>Pending action points</b>	FP for Gender and GBV mainstreaming & training on GBV mainstreaming	To be shared once finalized – training planned for May/ June 2023 Final Protection, Education and Shelter FPs to be collected
	<b>Shelter mapping update</b>	Current discussions between coordinating agencies ongoing to update shelters
	<b>Feedback on shelter gaps from sub-national level</b>	<b>Pending feedback:</b> email sent by national co-chairs to sub-national coordinators to assess the situation; deadline for feedback Monday 30 April
	Question on shelter monitoring from a donor's perspective: how agencies running safe shelters provide information on quality of services, etc.	Bilateral discussion will be held with GIZ on shelter monitoring and GBV outcome monitoring



	<p>Co-chairs and members: several methods are in use to monitor shelters and other GBV programs while not sharing any identifiable information on the beneficiaries; this can be done through several methods ensuring ethical standards, confidentiality and do no harm principles are in place.</p> <p>Funding gaps GBV: in light of upcoming donor discussions, further feedback is required from members on funding gaps on GBV</p>	
<p><b>Coordinators' updates and info</b></p>	<p><b>See meeting PPT for main updates on coordination</b></p> <p><b>CERF (for UN agencies) and LHF (NGO funding)</b>        Sector guidance: 3 million USD was received under the LHF for protection, CP and GBV interventions; area-focused prioritization: Akkar, Tripoli and Zahle        Under GBV, 3 thematic areas were prioritized:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Lifesaving response services:</b> case management, PSS, safe spaces, etc.</li> <li>- <b>Innovative programs and community engagement:</b> partners were encouraged to think through innovative programs to foster GBV prevention activities; co-chairs requested members within their programs to brainstorm with staff on the ground and to change from the usual existing programs – focus this year is engagement with WLOs</li> <li>- <b>Upscaling existing shelters:</b> no additional new shelters but ensuring inclusive approach for existing shelters; activities can also include cash for shelter for GBV survivors who maintain to lack access to shelter;</li> </ul> <p><b>New member: GIZ is planning GBV activities in Lebanon</b></p> <p><b>Core Group Meeting was held:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalization of advocacy note; note will be circulated but drafted by members (lead KAFA)</li> <li>• Planned training needs assessment for GBV (prevention and other activities, including on case management)</li> </ul>	<p>Partners to share bilateral feedback with UNFPA and UNHCR co-chairs by 30 April (latest)</p> <p>Agencies to undertake internal analysis and are encouraged to apply to the Call for Proposal that will come out by the end of April (see timeline in the meeting PPT); Agencies with programs or planned programs in those locations are encouraged to apply</p> <p>Co-chairs to meet with GIZ on their planned projects funded by the Government of Germany on Wednesday 26 April</p> <p>Once finalized, advocacy note to be circulated with all WG members</p>
<p><b>LASER</b></p>	<p>Please see the Interagency Lebanon portal – link: <a href="http://LebanonInformationHub.unhcr.org">Lebanon Information Hub (unhcr.org)</a> – then go to Assessment Registry (down on the page)</p> <p>All actors in the response are requested to update planned and finalized assessments (also retroactively if necessary) on LASER</p>	<p>GBV WG members to review their assessments and update as necessary</p>




	<p>Agencies can also access all sector assessments through the LASER dashboard: <a href="#">Microsoft Power BI</a></p> <p>Assessments are not linked here but can be requested by contacting the relevant agency focal point</p>	
<p><b>GBV Field coordinators updates</b></p>	<p><b>South/ Tyre:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New members working on GBV in the South including PARD, Shield (SDCs, life skills, awareness sessions) and Imam Sadr Foundation</li> <li>• Amel presented their projects (integrated approach between GBV and SRH; mentoring program investing in young females for long-term change of social norms)</li> <li>• High level of case management needs and referrals from Palestinian Camps</li> <li>• New co-chair election in the South: thanking Intersos for their great support to coordination; encouraging actors to apply for the Call for Expression of Interest and ToRs that were shared by South coordinator yesterday</li> <li>• In upcoming meeting: focus on engagement with grassroot organizations including WLOs</li> </ul> <p><b>Bekaa/ East:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During a visit to the safe shelter, ABAAD mentioned they are facing challenges in recruiting a livelihood trainer since they need a female who is trustworthy and who won't disclose the location of the shelter. Survivors mentioned that receiving livelihood activities is important because it will empower them once they are out of the shelter.</li> <li>• The Bekaa GBV SWG will now take place on the third Thursday of every month.</li> <li>• IRC was selected as the Bekaa GBV SWG co-chair</li> </ul> <p><b>Beirut/ Mount Lebanon:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Challenges in harmonization on amount of cash for GBV survivors were identified;</li> <li>• Shelter needs assessment ongoing; challenge was identified with regards to exit strategy for case management and livelihood opportunities after exit from shelter; most women return to rural and agricultural areas after release where they have challenges to establish a social network. Limited job/ livelihood opportunities for women. On access for persons with diverse SOGIESC – improvement to access to shelter was reported</li> </ul>	<p>Need for follow up on new agencies' process of joining the GBV WG; ensuring any new activities are coordinated with GBV WG coordinators before planning and implementing of new GBV activities, in line with sector priorities.</p> <p>Coordinators to send out request for innovative practice submission and partners to share selected ones will be showcases in next meetings</p> <p>Cash guidance for the protection sector was circulated in 2022; co-chairs to discuss bilaterally with GBV/cash partners on CVA transfer currency value modalities and risks</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good practice project was presented by TdH on engagement with religious leaders; successful project that could inspire agencies</li> </ul> <p><b>Comment:</b>  UNICEF also mentioned the Qudwa project on engagement with religious leaders (154 religious leaders) on aspects of child marriage, child labour and violence</p> <p><b>North/ Tripoli:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New co-chair was elected: Michael Diya from the local NGO LECORVAW</li> <li>• Endorsement of work plan and tools including TOR endorsement</li> <li>• Need for updated referral pathways</li> <li>• Gap analysis to be finalized to be shared with national GBV WG co-chairs</li> </ul> <p><b>Bekaa</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recruitment of trainers</li> <li>• Assessment of shelter needs ongoing</li> </ul>	<p>Need to include local services and structures in service mapping;</p> <p>Dedicated WG meeting to be held on engagement with religious leaders: several agencies have good practices to be presented including TdH, IMC, PI and IMC</p> <p>Follow up with UNICEF on presentation and briefing/ training for partners on engagement with religious leaders; co-chairs to hold a meeting on Tuesday, 25 April with UNICEF to discuss presentation and training for members</p> <p>North Sub-national co-chairs to share finalized tools with national GBV WG chairs</p>
<p><b>Protection WG updates</b></p>	<p>Prioritization exercise continued from 2022 between Protection (including CP and GBV) ongoing with MHPSS Task Force following several meetings held; this list includes cross-sectoral priorities cross-cutting amongst the different sectors</p> <p>Series of trainings for front liners is planned amongst the different priorities on MHPSS/ protection/ GBV/ CP WGs: the trainings are mainly addressing the expressed need to enhance identification and safe referral of persons with MHPSS needs to relevant service providers; sessions will also include PFA and self-care components;</p> <p>In Q2: protection analysis will be undertaken at sector level highlighting gaps identified in the sector including sub-sectors; donor briefing will take place planned for 18 May and then continued on quarterly basis</p>	<p>Co-chairs to review list of priorities and provide feedback to MHPSS TF</p> <p>Discussions with IMC ongoing for the facilitation and funding of the series and modalities of trainings (in person and potentially some online sessions)</p> <p>Members to share any gaps, challenges and advocacy needs that were identified</p>



<p><b>Q1 ActivityInfo reporting</b></p>	<p>Reminder to ensure correct and timely reporting; in Q1 only few agencies have reported on all ongoing activities for all three months of Q1</p> <p>Case management staffing was included in the 2023 reporting but none of the agencies has reported this indicator – this indicator is relevant as it is important for coordinators to assess ratios and get an overview of sector CM staffing</p> <p>Several indicators were not reported by sector members including on capacity building of the sector</p>	<p>Separate email with reporting analysis and an overview of Q1 reporting will be circulated by co-chairs and bilateral exchanges to be held</p> <p>All member agencies to update the indicator retroactively</p> <p>All member agencies to update the indicator retroactively</p>
<p><b>Client feedback Survey</b></p>	<p>Finalized version can be accessed here</p> <p><b>Next steps:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Translation of tool in Arabic and potentially other languages</li> <li>• Training session to be facilitated by co-chairs</li> <li>• Roll-out by agencies</li> <li>• Review of ActivityInfo data</li> </ul>	<p> CLIENT FEEDBACK SURVEY for GBV case</p> <p>Training to be rolled out</p> <p>Agencies to provide feedback on their capacity to include this into the KOBO tool</p> <p>Support by coordinating agencies if agencies have no capacity</p>
<p><b>Presentation on WLO organizations</b></p>	<p>UNDP undertook an analysis and mapping on the role of women's organizations on advancing effective humanitarian action in Lebanon.</p> <p>The analysis is in final stages of clearance by UNDP and includes a mapping of WLOs. Once cleared, the analysis and the mapping will be shared with all sector members.</p> <p>Several recommendations were provided relating to coordination, including ensuring access, integration, language amendments and support to funding opportunities.</p> <p>Comment: important to note and recognize the capacity WLOs have and not to solely focus on increasing their capacities.</p>	<p>Way forward and engagement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• List of WLOs to be reviewed once received</li> <li>• Email by national sector coordinators to be shared with WLOs to introduce the GBV WG structure</li> <li>• At sub-national level, coordinators will ensure invitations are extended to the mapped WLOs</li> <li>• Follow up session by national WG meeting to go through detailed list of recommendations for coordination platforms</li> </ul> <p>Presentation will be shared once the report/ mapping is cleared.</p>
<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p>	<p>17 May 2023 at UNFPA (Qubic Business Center in Sin Elfil)</p>	

Thank you!