

Common Cash Facility Approach

Why assistance coordination matters?

- ❖ Equity of assistance
- ❖ Maximize assistance and available funding
- ❖ People do not have to engage in duplicative initiatives
- ❖ Transparent communication allows for planning
- ❖ Reduce human error through digital processes
- ❖ Vulnerable people can be referred

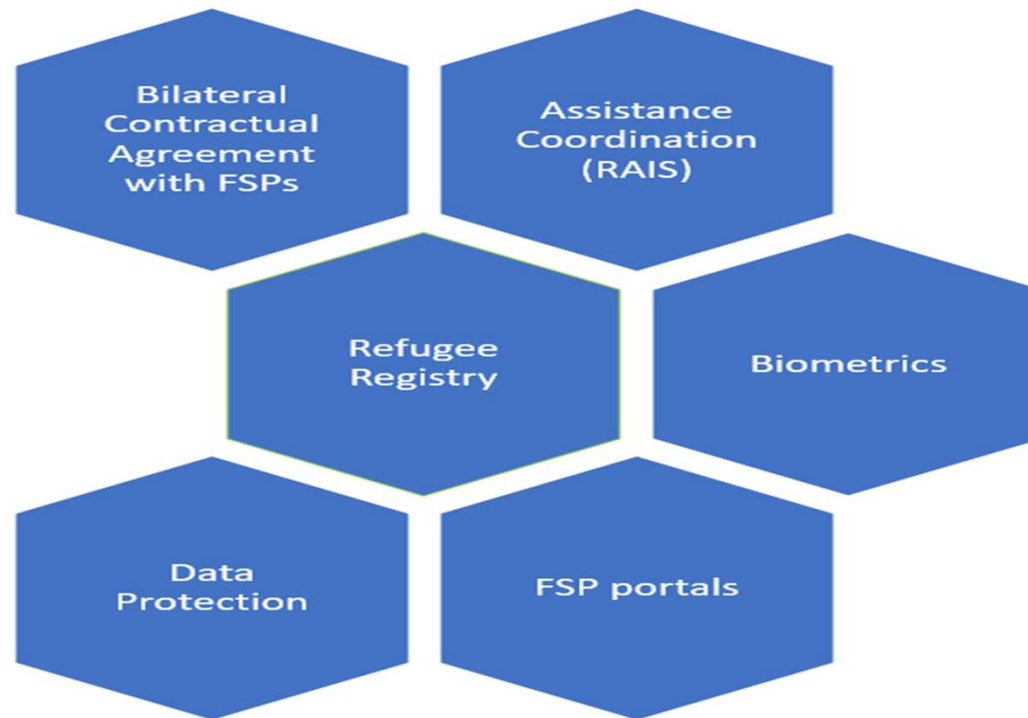
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Cash Assistance for Refugees

The Common Cash Facility (CCF) is a cash assistance platform that allows increasing the coordination, and eliminates duplication of assistance, in addition to ensuring the maximum accountability and further reducing overhead costs. The CCF approach is well-adapted to the context when:

- There is the opportunity for a coordinated approach on targeting/prioritization.
- There is a need for a coordinated support to the cash component of the basic needs of a given population.
- There is a potential of a common financial service provider.
- There is an availability/ability of a common technological platform for managing payments.

CCF Eco System



Components of CCF Eco System

- UNHCR's corporate registration system, PRIMES, consists of a database for individual data capture and case management activities, as well as a biometrics component, capturing fingerprints and a photo.
- UNHCR has been using RAIS (Refugee Assistance Information System) which enables different partners to coordinate their assistance activities and avoid duplication. RAIS is a web-based assistance management platform used by UNHCR, partners, and donors principally to ensure effective tracking of assistance, coordination, and enhanced accountability.
- RAIS platform provides partners to generate lists based on their eligibility criteria with a transparent approach and has ability to coordinate various cash activities without duplication. This also increase the cost efficiency as the partners would allocate their fundings to the cash programs purely instead of endeavoring on identification of potential beneficiaries.
- Cash beneficiaries have pre-paid cards and virtual accounts.

Way Forward

- Draft Data Sharing Agreement is pending for the final review
- SOP of RAIS should be discussed
- Cost efficiency analysis for FSP
- Proposal to establish a temporary task force under the CWG to discuss details

Thank you