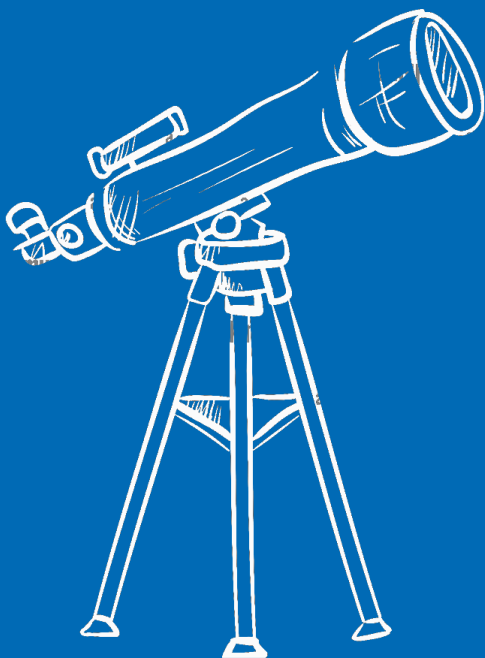




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ISWG Visioning Exercise



Background

The Inter-Sector Working Group (ISWG) Transition and Visioning Workshop, held on May 28, brought together over 30 participants from the seven sectors, including UN agencies, INGOs, Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), and field representatives. The workshop aimed to enhance development partnerships in Jordan, addressing critical challenges related to the protracted refugee crisis that has entered its 14th year. Key issues discussed included the sharp decrease in humanitarian funding leading to reduced assistance, increased vulnerabilities, and heightened poverty among the refugee population, risking a renewed humanitarian crisis.

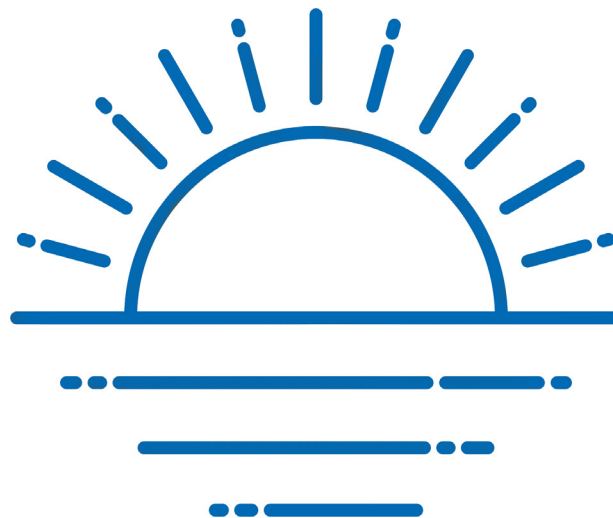
Discussions focused on strategies to transition from immediate humanitarian responses to sustainable, long-term solutions, creating harmonization and coherence among humanitarian and development efforts to address chronic vulnerabilities and foster resilience among refugees and host communities.



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ISWG Visioning exercise Recommendations to the JoSH

- »» **Coherence between humanitarian and development actors:** JoSH to enhance greater coherence between humanitarian and development actors fostering a more integrated and holistic approach for long-term solutions.
- »» **Future planning on transitioning:** JoSH to advance high-level dialogues with relevant actors to create greater transparency around the impacts of current and potential funding cuts. Promote future planning to ensure shared responsibilities and implement measures to mitigate the impacts of limited resources on refugees.
- »» **Strategic resource mobilization:** JoSH further advocates for providing sustained support to Jordan as a precondition to ensure that the Syrian situation does not slide back into a renewed humanitarian crisis.
- »» **Environmental sustainability:** JoSH promotes the integration of environmental sustainability initiatives within refugee camps and host communities. Collaborate with the GoJ and international partners to incorporate renewable energy sources, such as solar power, to reduce dependency on non-renewable resources and minimize environmental impact.



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ISWG Visioning exercise Recommendations to the sectors

Maximizing effectiveness in times of limited resources

- »» **Prioritize capacity building and localization initiatives:** Further promote a smooth transfer of knowledge and responsibilities to local actors ensuring a more effective and locally driven approach to provide durable solutions to refugees.
- »» **Support ongoing efforts to streamline parallel systems to ensure more efficient provision of services to the most vulnerable:** Reduce duplication of efforts, and promote sustainable, long-term solutions for refugee support.
- »» **Prioritize activities and intervention for refugees inside camps and focus on the most vulnerable individuals outside camps:** Enhance support for refugees residing in camps by prioritizing activities and interventions that address their specific needs. Identify and prioritize the most vulnerable individuals living outside camps, including women, children, the elderly, and people with disabilities.
- »» **Aligning minimum standards and maintaining the delivery of basic services:** In line with the prioritization exercise done by the sectors maintain support for life-saving initiatives including health education, water, infrastructure and protection mechanism. Prioritize the comprehensive package of primary healthcare and ensure access to quality education including vocational training that open opportunities to access and contribute to the labor market of Jordan. Encourage private sector participation in livelihood programming to foster collaboration between private enterprises and vulnerable populations in host communities.
- »» **Reframing Engagement with the Government:** Clarify that the call for support is not merely asking for aid but recognizing refugees as valuable human capital capable of contributing to Jordan's development. Highlight that refugees can play a significant role in Jordan's economic development and should be integrated as part of the society, not treated as a separate group. Emphasize that discussions about employment for refugees do not demand special concessions but rather focus on inclusive development.



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» **Enhancing Mobility for Refugees in Jordan:** JoSH to advocate for increased freedom of movement for goods, services, and people between refugee camps and host communities. This will promote inclusion and integration, paving the way for greater self-reliance among refugees. By reducing movement restrictions, refugees can access essential services, engage in economic activities, and contribute to the social and economic fabric of their host communities, fostering a more cohesive and resilient society.

