

Greece National Education Sector Working Group

MEETING MINUTES



MONDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 2018 @ UNHCR, ATHENS, GREECE

MEETING AGENDA

1. REVIEW OF ACTION POINTS;
2. UPDATES
 - FROM PARTNERS
 - FROM LOCAL ESWGs;
3. MAIN POINTS FROM THE UAC TASK FORCE MEETING;
4. AOB.

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION POINTS	ACTION POINTS (by whom and when)
1. REVIEW OF ACTION POINTS	<p>E-mail on upcoming trainings of KANEP-GSEE and IEKEP to be shared again – Done</p> <p>To share the 2W map with the ESWG minutes – Done</p> <p>E-mail in order for accommodation, hotel and shelter partners to report on children enrolment in formal education – Done</p> <p>Xenia to further disseminate with municipalities that are hosting refugees through their development agencies – Done</p> <p>Xenia to share a shorter or longer version of the report along with the dashboards – To be Addressed</p> <p>Invite someone from KANEP-GSEE or the Ministry of Labour to talk about the GSEE-OAED vocational training program – To Be Addressed</p>	<p>Invite someone from the Ministry of Labour to talk about the GSEE-OAED vocational training program</p>
2. UPDATES - FROM PARTNERS	<p>ELIX:</p> <p>Activities continue as usual, 6 learning centers in total, 4 in urban settings and 2 in camps (Elaionas and Skaramagkas);</p> <p>There is a kindergarten project in the Patision Learning Center for children 3-4,5 y.o.;</p>	

<p>- FROM LOCAL ESWGS;</p>	<p>There are still some of their UAC students that are living in squares, which are basically homeless – ELIX is registering them through EKKA in order to be in the waiting to enter shelters.</p> <p>IOM: Started transporting children from Schisto to nearby schools; In Elefsina 13 students started being transported to DYEPs; 4 more junior high-school reception classes began for children in Skaramagkas; There has been a delay in the start of Secondary Education classes in Schisto, Elefsina, Ritsona; Filoxenia program starting to open new hotels for families and children around Greece with transfers from the islands to Porto Heli, Mesollogi, Omonoia, Ag. Theodorous, Nea Makri, Rafina and Koropi; From the already existing hotels, Grevena could be a challenge since it is isolated and is often blocked by snow during the winter; Procurement has been completed for school kits, biggest needs are for secondary education, kits will be received by the end of December.</p> <p>ADDMA: 377 children live in the accommodations rented by ADDMA out of which 286 have been enrolled to formal education; ADDMA has been trying to locate apartments outside A' periphery Athens. There reason is that there is no availability of enough apartments costing a maximum of 400 euros outside the usual areas to create 'clusters'.</p> <p>KEDFX: Rented 20 more apartments to other municipalities nearby.</p> <p>Naoko: UNICEF is launching a Teachers' training for formal schools in collaboration with the major universities around Greece. Teachers that are not part of schools with Reception Classes should also apply in order acquire relevant skillsets.</p> <p>TeamUp2Teach: TeamUp2Teach is organizing a workshop in Faros on Math and Science that will take place on December 10th from 10:00 – 12:00. It will be about a new toolkit with lesson plans and materials</p>	<p>Arrange a meeting with IOM to see whether there is NFE in the newly established centers</p> <p>Inform ESWG what activities will take place in the 15-days of Activism</p>
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	<p>which has received a Blossom Hill prize. Solidarity Now, Metadrasi, ELIX are getting these toolkits. Any other who would be interested in receiving such toolkit can contact TeamUp2Teach.</p> <p>5th school squat: Education program in the squat with 30 children in the class. Have been able to register ten kids in formal schools in two months.</p> <p>280 people are living in this squat.</p> <p>It is estimated that 1000 people are living in squats managed by the people running the 5th school squat.</p> <p>Caritas: 20 requests pending since September for enrolments to primary school education. Same problem as ADDMA in finding apartments.</p> <p>Solidarity Now: Ongoing activities in Thiva camp. Close collaboration with teachers in Thiva's formal schools. The new REC has formed a WhatsApp group and follows-up daily with the activities for homework support. ZEP classes in secondary education have not started yet in Thiva – they were about to start in the beginning of November – for the DYEP classes English and math teachers are not yet assigned. In this way children lose their motivation in following the school.</p> <p>Malakasa – Greek and English education for adult population has started.</p> <p>Solidarity Now is organizing a vocational training for adults and adolescents, some trainings in North Greece next week.</p> <p>UNHCR: About containers - MoE has requested more containers for learning spaces on the islands, they will be delivered until the end of the year. UNHCR every month shares a factsheet to have a feedback from MoE. 17-19 December UNHCR is organizing a round-table with the people of the islands, regional directors, responsible for DYEP.</p>	<p>Video from Melissa network on bullying to be shared through the ESWG mailing list</p> <p>Solidarity Now training to be shared</p>
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	<p>Action for Education: Activities continue in Chios and Athens. Athens: Women center for girls and women 14+ . They are teaching English, Greek and IT.</p> <p>UNICEF: The 2-day kick-off meeting with universities has been completed successfully. Five universities and one consortium participated. A lot of exchange and good discussions took place. Not so much theoretical but more about empowerment and practical tools. The training will start first in Thessaly, Epirus and Crete in 10 days from now. Teachers working with refugee children, Greek as a second language, PSS, differentiated learning, intercultural education are welcomed to apply.</p> <p>Arsis: 25 children enrolments pending for primary schools in A' Athens. It is difficult to explain to parents why their children are not going to school.</p>	through the ESWG e-mail
3. MAIN POINTS FROM THE UAC TASK FORCE MEETING	Magdalini from TeamUp2Teach presented the main points raised in the UAC Education task force group. The powerpoint presentation is shared along with the minutes.	
4. AOB	-	

The next national ESWG meeting will be held on **Monday 10th December @ UNHCR.**

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