

**Livelihoods Working Group Meeting  
Monday, 29 August 2018, 14:00hrs, GCol, Gaziantep**

**Chair(s):** Özlem Çavuş (UNDP)

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**Institutions:** UNDP, UNHCR, CARE, Imaar Reconstruction, IOM, Concern Worldwide, Acted, MARAM Foundation, Rizk Professional Development, YUVA, FAO, Kudra, SGDD ASAM, ASAM, WFP, Humanitarian Assistance Organization Center (IYOM), TRC, DRC

Agenda	Discussion	Action Points
<b>1: Action Points from Last Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated livelihood dashboard is shared with LH partners.</li> </ul>	-Livelihood IM dashboard link is: <a href="https://data2.unhcr.org/en/dataviz/36?sv=4&amp;geo=113">https://data2.unhcr.org/en/dataviz/36?sv=4&amp;geo=113</a>
<b>2: Update on STF outcomes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3RP planning period timeline is shared at meeting. There will be 2 workshops and field consultations.</li> </ul>	-3RP planning period timeline will be shared with LH TWG members
<b>3: UNHCR Livelihood Presentation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UNHCR delivered a presentation on work permits and livelihood sector activities of UNHCR.</li> </ul>	-Livelihood presentation of UNHCR will be shared with LH TWG members - MoLSSF (Ministry of Labor, Social Services and Family) information available regarding work permit of foreigners etc. are reachable at; <a href="https://www.csgb.gov.tr/home/contents/istatistikler/yabancalismaizinleri/">https://www.csgb.gov.tr/home/contents/istatistikler/yabancalismaizinleri/</a>  <a href="http://cibs.csgb.gov.tr/RaporOlusturmaSihirbazi.aspx?kullanicisiz=1">http://cibs.csgb.gov.tr/RaporOlusturmaSihirbazi.aspx?kullanicisiz=1</a>

<b>4: IM Prsentation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaboration continues with all sector partners in accordance with strategic planning of 3RP 2019-2020 and M&amp;E framework.</li> <li>• The importance of Activity Info is explained in order to obtain right and accurate dashboard and Updated Livelihood Dashboards are shared with LH partners.</li> <li>• Service Advisory designed by UNHCR is introduced to LH partners. This programme shows 4Ws of organizations activities for all sectors.</li> </ul>	<p>-Mid term Livelihood Dashboard and 4Ws will be shared with LH TWG Partners.</p>
<b>4: BN-LH Sector Joint Meeting Outcomes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BN and LH Sectors discussed the transition from ESSN to sustainable livelihoods opportunities and common messaging.</li> <li>• Following meetings will be realized.</li> <li>• Social Security Assistant Fund (SSAF) Programme will be implemented to the refugees who couldn't benefited from ESSN.</li> <li>• WFP has realized a pilot study in Tarsus. Though agricultural workers are excluded from employment quota, WFP still have challenges in the address registrations in agricultural areas. WFP with its intensive advocacy with local authorities in Tarsus for example to register 25% of HHs living there and majority of them have ESSN card.</li> </ul>	

<p><b>5: Updates from the Members</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>KUDRA</b> Organization finished training session of its entrepreneurship programme and 4 of other sessions will be realized in September.</li> <li>• <b>Concern Worldwide</b> has ongoing Turkish Language Training (A1 and A2) which started in July for 350 Syrian beneficiaries partnering with Harran University-TOMER. Concern Turkey will provide vocational training courses in October funded by UNHCR.</li> <li>• <b>Imaar Reconstruction</b> has signed protocol with GCoI to provide training courses for capacity building of construction sector and they are looking for funding for their new project ideas related to construction.</li> <li>• <b>ACTED</b> has Turkish language courses partnering with UNHCR in Mersin. They provide job counselling for 25 beneficiaries with respect to registration for job placement.</li> <li>• <b>IOM</b> is ready to implement in kind grant activities due to the completion of market assessment. Inflation is a challenge for job placement activities currently. EoI for the selection of IP for the IOM Entrepreneurship Training grant was shared with LH partners.</li> <li>• <b>UNHCR</b> arranged a contact meeting which will take place in Gaziantep Chamber of Commerce (GCoC) for the entrepreneur Syrian refugees registered by GCoC with the attendance of government authorities (MoLSSF, DGMM)</li> <li>• <b>RIZK</b> Professional Development is registered officially by İŞKUR for job placement activities in İstanbul, Urfa and Gaziantep.</li> <li>• <b>UNDP</b> implements job creation component of MADAD in Kilis, Urfa, Hatay, İzmir and Adana provinces, municipal component of MADAD in Hatay, G.Antep and Urfa and İŞKUR capacity enhancement project in İstanbul, Hatay, G.Antep ,Kilis with different donors. Waste transfer station will be established in Urfa and Hatay, capacity of GMM will be enhanced via forming PMO offices in G.Antep, Hatay, and Ş.Urfa provinces.</li> <li>• <b>ASAM</b> is working with international organization and UN women on vocational training course, protection and social activities. Furthermore they plan to open kitchen and textile workshop in Public Education Center at the end of September.</li> <li>• <b>ILO</b> has running livelihood projects with GESOB, GCoI and Gaziantep Vocational Training Center related to vocational training and basic life skills courses. GESOB provides technical assistance for job placement by arranging consultants for Syrian refugees who seek jobs and try to start up business. SADA center, ASAM and UN women will arrange 3 workshops for textile, kitchen, packaging and shoe sectors. ILO will organize social</li> </ul>	
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	<p>security and occupational seminars during first and second week of September in GESOB as well.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>TRC</b> has 14 community centers, 2 of which are located in İstanbul. They also provide vocational training courses (hairdressing, sewing etc.). Certification is provided after success exams as informed.</li> <li>• <b>CARE</b> has Cash for Training activity on shoemaking sector for 400 beneficiaries in Hatay. It is informed that they will provide Turkish language and vocational training courses in G.Antep, Kilis and Urfa at the beginning of October 2018.</li> <li>• <b>YUVA</b> provides cash for training courses which will start in 4-5 weeks in the provinces of İstanbul, G. Antep and Mersin.</li> <li>• <b>FAO</b> provide vocational training courses on agriculture and also have complementary language and life skills courses. An increasement has seen on employment of 35% when comparing with last year 25% at agriculture sector. Self reliance for SuTP and vulnerable host community members is aimed with the collaboration of livelihood sector by developing a joint work plan.</li> <li>• <b>DRC</b> has activities in 5 provinces Mersin, K.Maraş, Urfa, Kilis and Hatay. Turkish and English language continues with YUVA Organization. They provide in kind assistance and have business development center in Hatay. Next month DRC will conduct a job fair in cooperation with different partners. DRC plans to create an online platform to buy products as well but there are challenges about outreach registration during the implementation.</li> <li>• <b>IYOM</b> has ToT activities for the adaptation of Syrians gaining highly integrative life skills via HR companies. They also interact with İŞKUR and Universities in order to prevent duplication of their activities.</li> <li>• <b>WFP</b> arranged a workshop with government authorities related to ESSN Programme.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>6: Any Other Business</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Syrians work informally in the agriculture sector and most live in tent. On the other hand they benefit from ESSN which is a challenging issue for WFP and government authorities.</li> </ul>	

	- Next Meeting will be held in UN House at 27 <sup>th</sup> September,2018.	
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