

# SITUATION REPORT #01: ROMANIA

## Refugee Emergency Telecommunications Sector (RETS)

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### OVERVIEW

The UNHCR-led **Refugee Emergency Telecommunications Sector (RETS)** is the coordinating body for IT and communications assessment and service delivery in refugee emergencies. RETS seeks to reinforce multi-sector coordination by streamlining IT and communications into operational preparedness and response strategies for the delivery of assistance to refugees and other persons of concern.

In Romania, with the number of humanitarian partners providing services to persons of concern increasing, RETS is prioritizing the establishment of internet connectivity in reception centers and other key operational sites, and delivering internet connectivity in Blue Dot hubs across the country. Partners and other sectors are fully engaged in the assessment, planning and implementation of the RETS response, and play an active role in identifying sites where connectivity services are a core requirement for operational enhancement.

# Update On Achievements

## RETS Activities & Services



### COORDINATION

#### Achievements and Impact

- UNHCR is collaborating closely with Cisco Crisis Response who is providing remote support and configuring emergency deployment kits out of their office in Romania.



### CONNECTIVITY

#### Achievements and Impact

- RETS Wi-Fi networks have been established in two common operational sites:
  - Blue Dot, Siret
  - Blue Dot, Isaccea

#### Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- RETS will be deploying internet connectivity services in three Blue Dot sites over the coming weeks:
  - Blue Dot, Sighet
  - Enrolment Center, Brasov CATTIA.
  - Enrolment center, Romania Expo.



### SECURITY COMMUNICATIONS

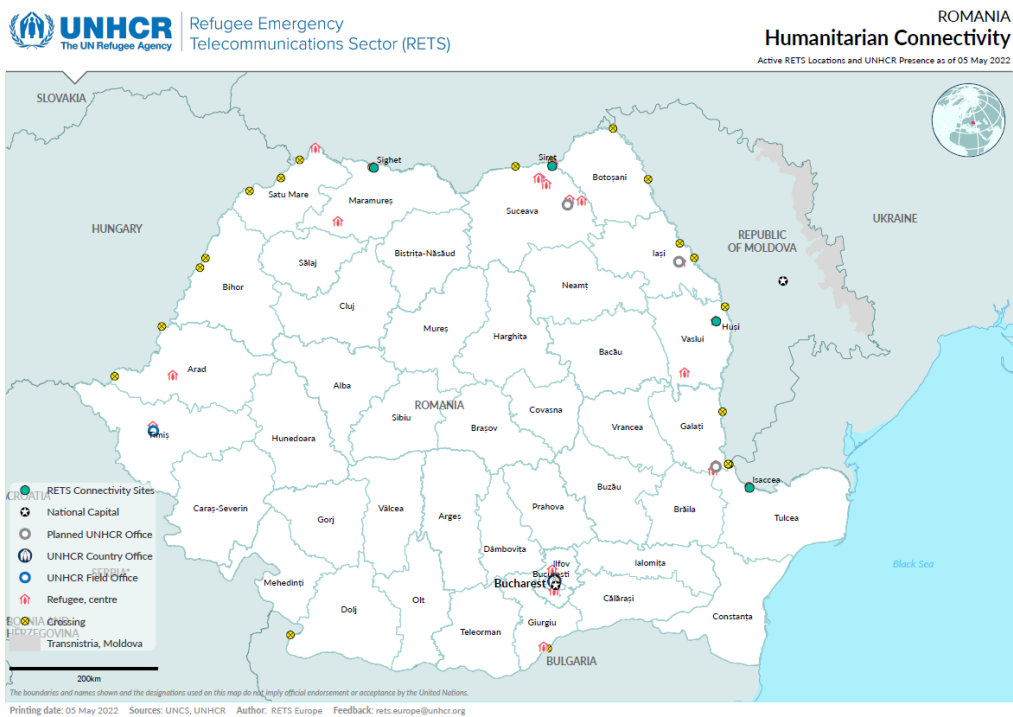
- As agreed by UNDSS and all UN Agencies, the local network infrastructure is highly stable and reliable, and there are therefore no immediate requirements for a dedicated UN telecommunications system in Romania.



### **Achievements and Impact**

- So far Cisco Crisis Response has provided 7 Deployment Kits for Romania.
- FUJITSU has made an in-kind donation of 92 laptops and Sony NL donated 50 phones for UNHCR partners in Romania

# Reference Map



## Funding

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<https://help.unhcr.org/romania/>