GBV Sub-Sector Meeting Minutes
Warsaw, Poland
20/09/2022

Chairpersons: Ms. Mays Zatari (UNHCR)

Agencies present:
Association for Legal Intervention (SIP), CARE, Action Against Hunger, Autonomia, Americares, Dom Otwarty (Open House), Feminoteka, FEDERA, Plan International, Project HOPE, Solettere, HIAS, Polish Humanitarian Action (PAH), Premiere Urgence International (PUI), WHO, IOM, UNHCR

Draft Agenda:

• Introduction
• Updates from co-leads
  • Review the GBV SWG Strategy and Work Plan
  • Update on the Interagency SOPs
  • Activity info update
  • GBV referral pathway
• Presentation (Natalia Gebert, Otwarty Dom/Open House)
• AOB
## Agenda items

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<td><strong>1. Introduction</strong></td>
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<td>Mays Zatari welcomed all the participants of the GBV Sub-Sector meeting and informed them that co-lead Malgosia Rogolska from CPK will not be present at the meeting.</td>
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<td><strong>2. Updates from co-leads</strong></td>
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<td>• Review the GBV SWG Strategy and Work Plan (Mays Zatari, UNHCR)</td>
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<td>The Draft GBV Strategy and Work Plan document was consolidated to include all the inputs from the members of the GBV Sub-Sector Group. The core areas of responsibility are as follows:</td>
<td>To share the link to the final version of the draft GBV Strategy and Work Plan document with all the members of the GBV Sub-Sector Group. Members to provide their</td>
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➢ Cross-Sector Collaboration

Members of the GBV Sub-Sector group are asked to provide their inputs and final comments before the document can be endorsed.

• Update on the Interagency SOPs (Mays Zatari, UNHCR)

The SOP Reference Group has finalized working on the SOP draft document and now the document is ready to be revised by all the members of the GBV Sub-Sector Group. Members of the GBV Sub-Sector group are asked to provide their inputs and final comments before the document can be endorsed.

• ActivityInfo update (Mays Zatari, UNHCR)

ActivityInfo is an online/offline browser-based project monitoring and management tool that was developed to simplify reporting and allow for real-time monitoring. The tool is designed to be used by all implementing partners and UN agencies to report on all activities they provide to refugees and affected people fleeing to Poland, as well as affected host communities. Reporting on existing and planned activities allows us to understand who is doing what, when, and where.

The ActivityInfo training was delivered by UNHCR IM Team last week. Any further questions related to reporting via ActivityInfo or potential training are to be directed to Mays Zatari.

Action
To share the link to the final version of the draft GBV Strategy and Work Plan document with all the members of the GBV Sub-Sector Group. Members to provide their comments and inputs by the 26th of September.

Any questions related to ActivityInfo or training, to be directed to Mays Zatari
Zatari@unhcr.org
• The GBV Referral Pathways (Malgorzata Suraj, UNHCR)

The GBV Referral Pathways provides information about available GBV services in Poland and it ensures a holistic and multisectoral response to GBV. The GBV Referral Pathway helps case managers and humanitarian aid workers to refer GBV cases to the needed services and refer them to the organizations/service providers who are willing and have the capacity to receive these referrals.

The GBV Sub-sector is aiming at updating the current GBV referral pathways to include detailed information about the services in the different areas of Poland. There are 16 voivodships in Poland, and the GBV Sub-Sector Group aims to cover the services nationwide (taking into consideration the availability of services in the different areas). The plan is to map services in 3 voivodships at the start: Masovian, Pomeranian, and Lubelskie. Once the basic information is gathered, the workshop at the local level would be organized for all the focal points of the service providers to update referral pathways with relevant and up-to-date information.

All members of the GBV Sub-Sector group are kindly asked to actively contribute to the process of mapping available services via provided Google Form.

Action
To share the Google Form with all members of the GBV Sub-Sector group
### 3. Presentation by Natalia Gebert from Open House (Otwarty Dom)

Open House has been operating since early 2016, initially as an informal group. The group formed in response to the wave of contempt and hatred towards refugees spreading through Poland back then. Since 2021 Open House is registered as an NGO (foundation). Their work includes:

- social and integration work with refugees and asylum seekers in Warsaw (about 250 families)
- education addressed to the hosting society (over 200 workshops in schools, over 100 open meetings/panels)
- advocacy (topic-oriented; COIs)

Since February 2022, Open House

- Focus on education for Ukrainian children
- New/expanded services addressed to Ukrainian refugees (language classes, social work, integration activities)
- Most social works shifted to Ukrainian refugees as those we most immediate needs

| Action: | Natalia Gebert to share the PPT with the members of the GBV Sub Sector Group |
| 5. Updates from members & AOB | • Melanie Hyde from WHO shared the results of the survey on the training needs and preferences in Podkarpackie Region. As a result of the survey, there is a two-day training on GBV and PSEA planned to be delivered in Rzeszow on 10 & 11 October. Local organizations are invited to participate.  

• Mays Zatari shared the information about the Global 16 days Campaign. The Global 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence against women is an international campaign originating from the first Women’s Global Leadership Institute in 1991. “The Global 16 Days Campaign,” as it has become known, was launched and continues to be coordinated by the Center for Women’s Global Leadership. The dates for the campaign were chosen to link violence against women and human rights and emphasize that gender-based violence against women is a violation of human rights: since 1991, the campaign has been active between November 25, the International Day Against Violence Against Women, and December 10, International Human Rights Day.  

The Global 16 Days Campaign objectives:  
➢ raise awareness about gender-based violence against women as a human rights issue at the local, national, regional and international levels  
➢ strengthen local work around gender-based violence against women  
➢ establish a clear link between local and international work to end gender-based violence against women  
➢ provide a forum in which organizers can develop and share new and effective strategies  
➢ demonstrate the solidarity of women around the world organizing against gender-based violence against women  
➢ create tools to pressure governments to implement commitments to eliminate gender-based violence against women | Action | Melanie Hyde to share the link to the training once it is ready |
Next Meeting: Tuesday, 04/10/2022 @ 10am