

### MINUTES OF MEETING

## ISCG Podkarpackie, Rzeszów Agenda – Friday, 16 September 2022

11am-1pm, Governor's Office

## Agenda:

#### Intro and Opening Remarks

- 1. Update on legislative Act on Assistance to Citizens of Ukraine
- 2. Presentation of Draft TORs for Podkarpackie Coordination Group (PCG)
- 3. Key Partner Updates
- 4. Winterization & Contingency Planning for Podkarpackie
- 5. AoB
  - Activity Info and RRP Overview
  - Protection Training for Frontline Workers
  - Collective Shelter/Site Monitoring

## 1. Update Act on Assistance to Citizens of Ukraine in the Context of the Armed Conflict

## **Lorena Isla Rodriguez -**UNHCR Sr. Protection Officer, Warsaw

#### Scope:

Ukrainian citizens and their spouses. Complemented by the Act on Granting
International Protection which includes the categories listed in article 2(1) and 2(2) of
the European Council Implementing Decision on TPD, including recognized refugees,
stateless persons and persons who had permanent residence in Ukraine prior the start
of the hostilities and are unable to return to their country of origin.

#### Status and documentation:

- Those issued PESEL under the Special Act are considered temporary protection holders.
- Able to download the digital travel document "(Diia.pl) considered a residence permit under Schengen Borders' Code, in line with the requirements of the TPD (Annex 22).
- After 9 months, temporary protection holders can request residence permits before the voivodships. The length of this permits is 3 years.

#### **Return to Ukraine:**

- Temporary protection status deactivated if stays longer than 30 days outside Poland.
- However, status can be reactivated upon return, at the border point and/or upon a new request for PESEL.

#### Moving onwards:

- Persons shall be able to move to other EU MS upon arrival and within 90 days (free visa regime), and also after issuance of a residence permit by Poland.
- This will however lead to deactivation of their temporary protection status (can be reactivated as explained above).
- For further details please contact, Lorena Isla Rodriguez, email: isla@unhcr.org

## 2. Presentation of Draft TORs for Podkarpackie Coordination Group

# **Bryant Castro** – UNHCR Inter-Agency Coordination, Rzeszow

- Propose changing RZE ISCG to Podkarpackie Coordination Group (PCG) and TORs
- Note that at PDK level not engaging with sector leads and instead complementing existing WAW coordination structures. More appropriate to rename as PCG and clarify specific functions per TOR (provided e-copy to participants).



	<ul> <li>Drafted TORs for PCG and shared with Voivodship for initial feedback before presenting at meeting for partner inputs; sharing electronic copy with MoM.</li> <li>Agree 1x month meeting is standardized.</li> </ul>		
Action Points All Orgs	Feedback and comments on TORs (English and Polish provided) until 30 September.		

3. Key Partner Upd	ates
Armen Yedgaryan – UNHCR Head of Sub- Office Rzeszow	<ul> <li>Importance of winterization/contingency led by GoP with our coordinated support.</li> <li>UNHCR initiated internal planning to cover 3mth contingency period identifying potential activities, needed resources, stockpiles and positioning, and partnerships.</li> <li>Ongoing meetings with MoI, including this afternoon at national level.</li> <li>Number of potential refugee influx remains a fluid discussion (500-800k).</li> <li>Additional consideration (besides winter and conflict) is man-made disaster.</li> </ul>
Silvia Gatscher, WHO Health Program Manager	<ul> <li>Staff protection training needs assessment and surveying completed (see pt5 AOB).</li> <li>Suicide Prevention Day was 10 Sept, and WHO is offering online MHPSS training; interested organizations may contact WHO to enroll their staff.</li> <li>EU/WHO Medical Transit Center (MTC) or Medevac Hub providing evacuations of Ukrainian patients referred from Ukraine with onwards medical travel to other EU countries since 9 Sept; offer 20 beds, 24/7 nursing care, screening for diseases, vaccination and mental health support; two medevac flights a week. Managed by Polish Center for International Aid (EMT). Aiming to open process to Ukrainian patients already in Poland who require urgent (but not emergency) medical treatment.</li> <li>Trend of increased # of Ukrainians with specialized health needs arriving in Poland.</li> <li>Additional info on Hub: PCPM Emergency Medical Team to lead newly opened Medical Transit Center at Rzeszow Airport - Poland   ReliefWeb</li> </ul>
John Mills, Fundacja Rozwoju Dzieci	<ul> <li>Fundacja Rozwoju Dzieci is opening day care (full day nursery/preschool) for Ukrainian families throughout Poland. This is key as majority refugees female and mothers can access employment if children are cared for during working hours.</li> <li>Funded by UNICEF and PLAN International aiming for 100-day care programs open by October 31st and are currently evaluating how many more we will open after.</li> <li>Four centers in Rzeszow but can open more, looking for organizations/partners that can have available space to establish day care.</li> <li>Additional info: Fundacja Rozwoju Dzieci – Inspirujemy. Edukujemy. Wspieramy. Od początku. (frd.org.pl)</li> </ul>
Jan Markovic, Centrum Rozwoju Psychofizycznego Tutu	<ul> <li>Providing child friendly space for Ukrainian and Polish children, including PSS, games, animations, art therapy and other developmental activities under the supervision of bilingual (UKR &amp; Polish) specialists.</li> <li>Services at Tutu Center at Rzeszow Plaza and also at UNHCR Protection Hub.</li> <li>Looking for potential child populations that need support as services are available as can provide PSS support at local schools.</li> <li>Refugee children are susceptible to mental health difficulties as facing constant stress and uncertainty over future, this might expand significantly if influx scenario occurs.</li> <li>Additional info: Centrum rozwoju psychofizycznego TUTU - PSAR</li> </ul>



Magda Kuska, IOM Field Coordinator	Starting labor market inclusion activities in October, which includes cultural integration, language courses and childcare.  Mobile team is operating in Podkarpackie and due to ad-hoc need is facilitating operational mobile coordination with other actors at field level.			
<b>Tomasz Kobylański,</b> Pro- Fil Co-Founder	<ul> <li>Pro-fil active since start of conflict providing PSS with therapeutic specialists from Poland and Ukraine; services for children &amp; teenager (individual or groups).</li> <li>Also support referral/assistance with shelter, integration and employment for parents.</li> <li>Operating in 4 centers and cooperating with GoP, incl Ministry of Family &amp; Social Policy.</li> <li>Expanding with mobile capacity for consultations outside of urban areas.</li> <li>Additionally have 14 specialists located in small city-rural areas for increased reach.</li> <li>Additional info: Fundacja Pro-Fil (fundacjaprofil.pl)</li> </ul>			
<b>Polant Kizildag,</b> UNICEF Krakow	<ul> <li>Winterization a priority for UNICEF as well as ensuring it's a joint effort.</li> <li>Started internal planning, incl review capacities, replenishing stocks, prepositioning</li> <li>Krakow Office is the coordinating Podkarpackie activities (education and WASH), expanding field capacity and maintaining close dialogue with Governor's Office.</li> <li>Office in Rzeszow closed, yet Krakow Office able to cover response in Voivod.</li> </ul>			
Tom White, UNICEF Warsaw	<ul> <li>Education update from WAW, UNICEF supporting GoP to ensure access to education.</li> <li>Recognize challenges of limited physical education space and teaching capacity.</li> <li>Bolstering training, materials and capacity building of UKR teachers in Poland.</li> <li>Query – as contingency scenario is dynamic; at what point do we revise figures?</li> </ul>			
Anouch Parsegian, PUI	<ul> <li>Report on multipurpose cash assistance (MPCA) "6 Months In" is publicly available.</li> <li>Through interviews and assessments, overview on needs of Ukrainian refugees, incl most vulnerable groups, and provides recommendations esp considering winter.</li> <li>Access report on ReliefWeb: Poland MPCA response to the Ukraine crisis - 6 months in (September 2022) - Poland   ReliefWeb</li> </ul>			
Action Point IOM	IOM Mobile Team leader connect with UNHCR/IA Coordinator to identify how to streamline ad-hoc mobile coordination within overall ISCG coordination structure.			
Action Point All Orgs	Provide 1-page brief (max) overview of your org and activities in Podkarpackie to share amongst group to increase awareness.			

## 4. Winterization & Contingency Planning for Podkarpackie

	Sorting City Flamming 1011 Outlan passing				
Małgorzata Dankowska,	<ul> <li>Voivode is preparing for winter and participating at National level discussions.</li> </ul>				
Director of Social Policy Department of Podkarpackie Voivodship	<ul> <li>Voivode's preparedness and response are parallel to what humanitarian doing, though partners assistance should be complementary.</li> <li>Very pleased with partner's initiative to provide master listing of all communal shelters and identify needs; Voivode has same data meaning alignment is occurring.</li> <li>Voivode warehouse available to stock and consolidate materials if necessary.</li> <li>Signed financial agreement with six orgs, who will provide PSS and information dissemination in Podkarpackie.</li> </ul>				



Bryant Castro – UNHCR Inter-Agency Coordination, Rzeszow Helene Michalak – UNHCR Inter-Agency Coordination, WAW	<ul> <li>Background on Warsaw Winterization Workshop facilitated on 24 August with Ministry representatives, UN Agencies and NGOs for nation level plan.</li> <li>Aim to develop more localized operational plan for Podkarpackie.</li> <li>Combing planning on winter &amp; contingency as likely overlap and more efficient.</li> <li>Operating assumption of (L)500K – (H)750K influx with 56% entering Podkarapackie.</li> <li>Highlighted vulnerable profiles against their risk in accessing services.</li> <li>Presented master shelter developed by REACH in consultation with MOI, lists communal shelters with locations/capacity but requires verification (see AOB).</li> <li>Developing list of all ongoing and planned winterization/contingency activities; via Warsaw Winterization Workshop have #66 activities by 11 orgs already submitted for Podkarapackie or country wide. Use Kobo link: KoBo form (unhcr.org) for any new activity submissions and if already submitted activities and want to update, please wait for bilateral communication from UNHCR to explain how to proceed.</li> <li>Orgs that already submitted include via Warsaw Winterization Workshop: CORE, Fundacja ADRA Polska, IFRC, INTERSOS, IOM, Oxfam, PCPM - Polish Center for International Aid, Podkarpackie Stowarzyszenie dla Aktywnych Rodzin, Polish Humanitarian Action, PUI, UNICEF</li> </ul>
Action Point All Orgs	<ul> <li>Agreement by participants with proposed next steps, incl Workshop (see action point).</li> <li>Submission of NEW activities in Podkarpackie or updateto already submitted inputs from Wasaw Winterzation Workshop via KOBO until 30 Sept. Note: if want to update already submitted entry, please wait until UNHCR contacts you bilaterally.</li> <li>Kobo for winterization/contingency activities in Podkarpackie: KoBo form (unhcr.org)</li> </ul>
Action Point UNHCR	<ul> <li>Organize field level ½ day workshop, including participation of Przemysl and Medyka authorities and BG representative – TBC (end Sept or early Oct).</li> </ul>
Action Point All Orgs	Draft output shared to group within 5 days completion of workshop.
Action Point UNHCR	Final Podkarpackie plan sent to Warsaw to integrate in national plan.

# **5.** Any Other Business

Thomas Rommel,	Activity Info and RRP Presentation			
UNHCR IM Officer	Platform is now operational with visuals and interactive capabilities.			
	• Tracks implementation of 42 activities with indicators, informs who is doing what across each voivod.			
	89 orgs currently registered but only 27 reporting on 29 RRP activities (out of 42).			
	Encourage all org to ensure they are reporting and have responsible focal point.			
	Orgs without access to Activity Info can request to access and/or request training on			
	how to use Activity Info by emailing: polwarrpsupport@unhcr.org			
Zelinda Aromorach,	Frontline Worker Protection Training Rollout			
UNHCR GBV Officer	From October UNHCR, WHO and IOM aiming to rollout staff training calendar based on needs assessment and surveying. Initial trainings include PSEA and GBV			
	PSEA training facilitated by IOM, they will provide further details that UNHCR can share			
	with all orgs via ISCG coordination structure.			
	GBV concepts, in practice and referral by WHO/UNHCR planned on TBC 11 or 12 Oct.			



	Potential that first round of GBV training focuses on health-related partners but will provide additional trainings if sufficient interest.				
Action Point All Orgs	<ul> <li>Interested in GBV training – write email addressed to both Melanie Hyde/WHO and Zelinda Aromorach/UNHCR: <a href="hydem@who.int">hydem@who.int</a>, aromorac@unhcr.org</li> </ul>				
Action Point IOM	IOM contact UNHCR to provide more info on planned PSEA training; UNHCR to potentially expand invite to other participants via ISCG mailing list.				
Thomas Rommel, UNHCR IM Officer	<ul> <li>REACH Collective Shelter Monitoring / Profiling Dashboard and Tool</li> <li>UNHCR &amp; REACH in consultation with Mol, Voivod and support from IOM and World Kitchen prepared initial list of 2,400+ communal shelters in Poland; 57 in Podkarpackie.</li> <li>Shelter density map available on REACH dashboard along with profiles indicating capacity, exact location, contact person, size, conditions, etc. of each shelter.</li> <li>List requires verification now and subsequent monitoring using Kobo tool.</li> <li>Appeal to all interested partners to contact UNHCR to participate in exercise – will receive briefing on use of tools and guidance for your team.</li> <li>If interested to help verify and monitor shelters in Podkarpackie, contact Bryant Castro; castro@unhcr.org or Thomas Rommel; rommel@unhcr.org</li> </ul>				
Action Point UNHCR	CORE, Intersos, IOM and Fundacja Rozwoju Dzieci expressed interest; Thomas Rommel to follow up and provide necessary briefing to each org on using tool, to start ASAP.				

Many thanks to the Governor's Office of Podkarpackie and participants for your active engagement.

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