

Minutes of meeting PWG ToR and action plan core group		
Location, Date & Time	MS Teams, 29/07/2022 – 15:00-16:00	
Facilitator	UNHCR – Jorunn Brandvoll – Snr. Protection Officer	
Participants	DCR, NRC, Patrir, Diakonie	
Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Briefing by Protection Sector Coordinator about objectives of meeting - Initial brainstorming around Action Plan objectives - Discussion about involving key national NGOs 	
Main Topic	Main Discussion	Action Points
Intro and agenda presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation of the PWG: structure, sub working groups, meeting schedule - Background of the of the sub working groups and task forces that fall under the PWG in Romania - 5Ws have been developed for the PWG but more participation from PWG members is needed in defining the priorities of the Working Group and following up on them, which is a shared responsibility among the PWG member agencies. This is the background for the decision to invite a few agencies to this “core group” meeting to discuss the PWG action plan. The chairperson mentioned that core groups are in place in coordination structures in some other cases, e.g. Lebanon. 	
Actional Plan for the PWG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The chairperson presented the PSEA Network action plan as a good example of how action plans can be framed - GBV, AAP and CwC activities will also be reflected in the PWG action plan, whereas separate action plans exist for Child Protection, the Counter Trafficking Task Force and Education WG. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How do we go about accomplishing the goals taking into account the short time frame: need to bear in mind that only five months remain of 2022 when the action plan is developed. - The core group will need to brainstorm activities to be proposed and integrated into the Action Plan - It is necessary to revalidate GBV referral pathways and update it within 3 months

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Protection activities need to be mainstreamed into all future plans across sectors, which includes the mainstreaming of GBV and PSEA. - <u>The following activities were suggested by participants for prioritization in the action plan:</u> - Analysis of National Action Plan and areas where protection partners can complement the efforts of the Government of Romania - Mapping of planned training activities (e.g. a training calendar) is needed to avoid overlapping of such activities. - Monitoring of protection trends and access to rights and services, such as health care, civil documentation, HLP. Potentially, the PWG could also consider developing needed inter agency SOPs and Q&As. - Consideration of how to mainstream protection into contingency planning, winterization and cash activities. - To define needed protection advocacy initiatives and create space for interventions by protection actors. - To be mindful of the parallel Gov structure (DSU coordination meetings) and feed into them. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need to create a training calendar and /or capacity building needs mapping and ways forward
WG TOR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members need to start immediate work on TOR to define the roles and responsibilities of the WG. - TOR to also include internal monitoring and evaluation of activities undertaken in order to ensure ownership of proposed key areas of engagement. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proposed draft TOR from the regional level to be shared with the core group members, reviewed and adapted for the Romanian PWG.
Management structure of the PWG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need for a PWG co-lead, which preferably will be from the Romanian government or a national NGO to ensure sustainability. - <u>The PWG management structure will:</u> - monitor and follow up on discussions held and the action plan - ensure coordination of protection activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - consider organizing an election of a co-lead in order to avoid any sensitivities that could occur from selecting one agency over another.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ensure a common line of action and propose solutions 	
Next steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PWG needs more local NGO involvement. - Local NGOs need to have the capacity to deliver on coordination, taking into account that they are often understaffed and overstretched. - Geographical coverage to be taken into account - The fewer organizations in the core group, the more efficient for the goals proposed. - It was suggested that it would be preferable for the Romanian authorities (e.g. ANES) to participate in the core group in order to ensure coordination and synergies with the NAP. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Suggest local NGO partners to be part of the core group: Patrir, CNRR, FONSS, and others