

Minutes of WASH Sector Meeting – Moldova

Time and Date: 11:30-12:30, 12 Dec 2022 (Moldova Time)
Location: Virtual meeting, Moldova
Chair: Noor Bakhsh (Sub WG Coordinator/WASH Specialist, UNICEF)

Discussion	Action Points
<p><u>Agenda:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1- Update on the current WASH situation 2- Progress at Contingency Plan 3- Winterization Plan 4- Harmonization/standardization of the hygiene kit contents 5- Host communities' WASH needs 6- AoB <p><u>Moldovia WASH Sector Structure and Members</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Sub-WG is part of and contributing to the Accommodation and Transport Sector co-lead by MLSP and UNHCR (Andrea Cuisana - cuisana@unhcr.org) • WASH Sub-WG Coordinator Mr Noor Bakhsh, nabhsh@unicef.org <p>PROCEEDINGS:</p> <p>1. <u>Update on the current WASH situation.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Against Hunger/ACF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ AAH is supporting social centers in Stefanvoda and Anenii Noi and will distribute hygiene kits in these locations through December and January. ➤ Also another important area of intervention is support with waste management in Stefanvoda and Palanca and handing over 6 metallic containers. ➤ Waste collection in Palanca for the bus station and the tents in January. AAH is handing over the waste collection containers to Stefanvoda municipality to support the whole town. ➤ Vouchers in the dignity kits started in November and will continue this support throughout the winter • SI/UNICEF IP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Distribution of hygiene (travel) Kits at Palanca and Otaci is ongoing to refugees ➤ Provided and has been sustaining the water and sanitation services in Planca and Otaci bus stations and Otaci BCP 	

- Winterized all water and sanitation services at Planca and Otaci bus stations
- SI also has been providing some of the WASH services based on the needs and gaps in some of the RACs
- **ACTED/IP of UNHCR**
 - Will provide update later
- **M4P/UNICEF IP**
 - Distribution of Adult and hygiene baby kits is ongoing for refugees with host families in Chisinau
- **Scott Consulting**
 - A project with the support of SDC and help host families that have refugees to improve their sanitary conditions
- **Caritas**
 - Mainly focusing on the refugees' needs in the hosts' communities in the South, mainly in the Gagauzia

2. Progress at Contingency Plan

- ✓ The provision of sanitation services is in progress as part of the contingency plan
- ✓ One container (6 toilets) was installed at BCP/Palanca on the Ukrainian side and will add another one to be gender segregated
- ✓ Installation of the sanitary containers at remaining points on the Ukrainian side at border crossing points 3 and 4 is in the progress

3. Winterisation Plan

- ✓ Procurement of contingency 20,000 hygiene and working as part of winterization
- ✓ Procuring 5000 children's clothes as part of winterization
- ✓ Procuring 96 school hygiene kits

4. Harmonization/standardization of the hygiene kit contents

It was observed that all sub-WG partners distribute hygiene kits with different contents to the same target beneficiaries. Therefore, it was agreed that standardized the types of hygiene kits and their contents to avoid duplication. AAH/ACF agreed to take the lead to compile, consult and come up with proposed types of hygiene kits and their contents by end of Jan 2023.

Action: AAH/ACF will compile, consult and come up with proposed types of hygiene kits and their contents by the end of Jan 2023.

5. Host communities' WASH needs

AAH has already initiated the initiative and support in waste collection and management. Additionally, Scott consulting also supports sanitation in the host communities.

The partners are encouraged to support the host communities where refugees are entering Moldova as well as residing.

6. AoB

- Accountability to the affected population is the key to the humanitarian response; therefore, partners have to ensure their response

Participants List

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Next Meeting:

The next WASH Sector meeting will be in the last week of Jan