

Minutes of meeting #15 Protection Working Group		
Location, Date & Time	In person, Teams	
Facilitator	Jorunn Brandvoll, UNHCR	
Participants		
Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation of survey on satisfaction among Ukrainian refugees around the 50/20 programme - Discussion on PWG ToR and Action Plan - Discussion on PWG advocacy document 	
Main Topic	Main Discussion	Action Points
<p>Presentation of survey on satisfaction among Ukrainian refugees around the 50/20 programme – Stefan Lorint, UNHCR</p>	<p>UNHCR conducted a survey among beneficiaries of UNHCR’s cash programme regarding their sense of satisfaction with the 50/20 programme.</p> <p>The findings show a high degree of satisfaction with the programme among its beneficiaries. However, 36% reported that their food component is being withheld by the landlord and 1/3 indicated that they were asked to pay a deposit to the landlord. More than half of the respondents also indicated not being aware of where to report problems with the 50/20 programme. The recommendations from the survey can be found in the survey report.</p> <p>In the ensuing discussions about the 50/20 programme among PWG members, it was mentioned that discussions are currently ongoing within the Romanian government and with civil society actors to make some changes to the 50/20 programme. This includes having payments being transferred directly to beneficiaries.</p>	<p>PWG members to continue following closely and input to the discussions about changes to the 50/20 programme.</p>

<p>Discussion about PWG ToR and Action Plan</p>	<p>The PWG Chairperson went through the PWG ToR in the meeting, which was developed towards the end of 2022. It currently needs to be updated to reflect the fact that the GBV Sub-Working Group has become a free-standing coordination entity.</p> <p>PWG members – in particular national NGOs – are strongly encouraged to express an interest to become PWG co-leads with UNHCR. This is important to ensure greater involvement of PWG members in the work of the PWG.</p> <p>In the discussion around the PWG action plan, partners expressed an interest to focus more on protection mainstreaming, in light of a lack of basic protection awareness among many stakeholders in Romania. The PWG chairperson encouraged partners to let UNHCR know in case they are interested to support with such protection mainstreaming. It was also suggested that the references to the winterization plan be removed from the action plan.</p>	<p>UNHCR to update the ToR and action plan and recirculate for feedback by PWG members</p>
<p>Discussion on PWG advocacy document</p>	<p>UNHCR briefed participants that the agency is in the process of drafting a document with advocacy messages that are intended to be shared with Protection Working Group members and other interested sectors for their input. The advocacy messages cover several areas, notably access to territory, Temporary Protection, access to basic rights, GBV, Child Protection, PSEA, Anti-Trafficking, and Communication with Communities.</p>	<p>UNHCR to complete the drafting of the advocacy messages and present them to PWG members</p>
<p>Next meeting Date: 28 February at 10:30 am Place: Hybrid – Primaveraii Conference Room/Teams Online</p>		