



## PROTECTION WORKING GROUP/DISABILITY & AGE TASKFORCE (DATF)

Meeting Details	
<b>Date</b>	27.03.2023
<b>Time</b>	11.00-12.30 am
<b>Chair</b>	Ludmila Malcoci, Executive Director, Keystone Moldova Alberto Tonon, Disability Inclusion Specialist, OHCHR/UNHCR
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Agenda	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening and remarks</li> <li>• Presentation on Documentation of Human Rights Violations by OHCHR</li> <li>• Presentation Participatory Assessment by UNHCR</li> <li>• PRPD project presentation</li> <li>• Operational updates from members</li> <li>• AOB</li> </ul>	
Information collection and relevant links	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNHCR Operational Data Portal (DATF page: <a href="https://data.unhcr.org/en/working-group/421?sv=54&amp;geo=10784">https://data.unhcr.org/en/working-group/421?sv=54&amp;geo=10784</a>)</li> <li>• Report on the human rights situation in Ukraine (<a href="https://www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/documents/countries/ukraine/2023/23-03-24-Ukraine-35th-periodic-report-ENG.pdf">https://www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/documents/countries/ukraine/2023/23-03-24-Ukraine-35th-periodic-report-ENG.pdf</a>)</li> </ul>	
Participants	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ludmila Malcoci, Keystone</li> <li>• Alberto Tonon, UNHCR/OHCHR</li> <li>• Krassimir Yankov, OHCHR</li> <li>• Gianna Zoukidou, OHCHR</li> <li>• Daniele Pedretti, HelpAge</li> <li>• Mircea Bustiuc, Societatea Invalizilor</li> <li>• Doina Costin, Societatea Invalizilor</li> <li>• Dumitru Negru, Societatea Invalizilor</li> <li>• Sabine Ebner, UN Women</li> <li>• Lilia Jelamschi, Unicef</li> <li>• Corina Gribincea , Keystone Moldova</li> <li>• Viorica Culeac, UN Women</li> <li>• Arina Țurcan, WHO</li> <li>• Alexandru Stratulat, UNDP</li> <li>• Iryna Rayevska</li> <li>• Olena Koval, UNHCR</li> <li>• Vitalie Meister, CDPD</li> <li>• Tatiana Ghidirmischi, Centrul Low Vision</li> <li>• Terguta Violeta, UNFPA</li> <li>• Ludmilla, OSORC</li> <li>• Andrei Esanu, Family Federation for World Peace and Unification from Moldova</li> </ul>	



### Summary of discussions and agreements/ action points

Agenda	Discussion	Agreements/ Actions
<p>Opening remarks</p> <p><i>Ludmila Malcoci,</i> <i>Executive Director,</i> <i>Keystone Moldova</i></p> <p><a href="mailto:lmalcoci@khs.org">lmalcoci@khs.org</a></p>	<p>The DATF Chair welcomed the participant for the third meeting of the year. Due to not availability of the Chair in April the in person meeting will be hold in April.</p> <p>Agenda for the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Opening and remarks</li><li>• Presentation on Documentation of Human Rights Violations by OHCHR</li><li>• Presentation Participatory Assessment by UNHCR</li><li>• PRPD project presentation</li><li>• Operational updates from members</li><li>• AoB</li></ul>	
<p>Documentation of Human Rights Violations</p> <p><i>Krassimir Yankov,</i> <i>OHCHR</i></p> <p><a href="mailto:tonon@unhcr.org">tonon@unhcr.org</a></p>	<p>Presentation on the work of OHCHR Ukraine in Moldova on the identification of the human right violation in Ukraine in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- We document allegations of injured civilians, killings, arbitrary detentions, enforced disappearances, conflict-related sexual violence by all sides</li><li>- We document economic, social, and cultural rights concerns that forced people to leave Ukraine or are preventing them from returning</li></ul> <p>OHCHR is looking for cases who can be referred to OHCHR colleagues including persons with disabilities and older people who were victims or witnesses of human right violations.</p> <p>Krassimir left the contact details for referral of cases from the DATF members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Krassimir Yankov Phone: +373 62 028 512 Messengers (Viber, Telegram, Signal, Whatsapp): +380 50 499 35 82 Email: <a href="mailto:krassimir.yankov@un.org">krassimir.yankov@un.org</a></li></ul>	<p>Alberto to share the presentation done by OHCHR and the report on the human right situation in Ukraine</p>



	<p>- Gianna Zoukidou Phone: +373 60 393 842 Email: gianna.zoukidou@un.org</p> <p>Krassimir shared also the report produce on the human right violation in Ukraine from 1 August 2022 to 31 January 2023</p>	
<p>Participatory Assessment</p> <p><i>Olena Koval, UNHCR</i></p> <p><a href="mailto:kovalo@unhcr.org">kovalo@unhcr.org</a></p>	<p>Olena from UNHCR presented the participatory assessment conducted by UNHCR conducted 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2022. The assessment was supported by many partners such as CDA, CCR, MPP, INTERSOS, National Congress of Ukrainians in Moldova, Genderdoc-M, Roma-led organizations, Casa Marioarei and others and included interviews and focus group discussion in both urban and rural areas, in RACs and host communities' centres and private accommodations.</p> <p>The assessment touches several sectors and the findings in particular regards persons with disabilities are the following:</p> <p>Main highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Need for inclusion in the labour market for PwDs</li><li>• Concerns regarding exclusion of men from the assistance programmes</li><li>• Need of winter items to cope the cold period</li></ul> <p>Intentions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proximity to Ukraine and common language</li><li>• Overall positive interaction with the local community</li><li>• Return to Ukraine once the war is over</li><li>• Only in one case the possibility of travel to Germany for medical reason is considered</li></ul> <p>Housing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Private accommodation vs RACs (not adequate facilities)</li></ul> <p>Access to medical assistance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Overall positive experience (Russian-speaking Doctors)</li><li>• People accommodated in private accommodation had limited access to information regarding medicines distribution</li><li>• Concerns regarding the high cost of medicines and their unavailability in Moldova</li></ul> <p>Education:</p>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Most online studies (however no adequate, Wi-Fi connection, room and equipment)</li> </ul> <p>Employment and livelihoods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Main source - financial support</li> <li>• No adequate access in the labour market for persons with disabilities</li> </ul> <p>Access to information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aware of the sources of info, but no timely shared</li> </ul> <p>The main question was about the possibility to feed into the next Participatory Assessment of UNHCR when will happen to support the gathering of information on the situation of persons with disabilities</p>	
<p>PRPD project presentation</p> <p><i>Arina Turcan, WHO</i></p> <p><a href="mailto:arinaturcan@gmail.com">arinaturcan@gmail.com</a></p> <p><i>Alberto Tonon, UNHCR/OHCHR</i></p> <p><a href="mailto:tonon@unhcr.org">tonon@unhcr.org</a></p> <p><i>Viorica Culeac, UN Women</i></p> <p><a href="mailto:viorica.culeac@unwomen.org">viorica.culeac@unwomen.org</a></p> <p><i>Lilia Jelamschi, Unicef</i></p> <p><a href="mailto:ljelamschi@unicef.org">ljelamschi@unicef.org</a></p>	<p>PRPD (Partnership on the Right of Person with Disability) is a project led by WHO and in partnership with OHCHR, UN Women, Unicef and UNFPA and with the collaboration of European Disability Forum (Network of European OPDs). The implementation of the activities is in Moldova and Georgia.</p> <p>The objectives of the project are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To identify and analyse existing gaps in policy documents providing protection to persons with disabilities (children and adults) refugees in Ukraine;</li> <li>- To identify areas of intervention in policy documents ensuring the protection of persons with disabilities (children and adults) refugees from Ukraine.</li> </ul> <p>The different activities are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rapid and mixed needs assessment methods in line with CRPD obligations.</li> <li>- Preparation of the report outlining recommended policies and operational solutions of the ministries.</li> <li>- Work with central and local authorities, CSOs/DPOs and relevant agencies to initiate mapping and strengthen inclusive mechanisms to identify children with disabilities (and their carers) and their specific needs.</li> </ul>	<p>Alberto will share the different Consultancy opportunities with the DATF partners</p>



<p><i>Terguta Violeta, UNFPA</i> <a href="mailto:terguta@unfpa.org">terguta@unfpa.org</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Develop inclusive and accessible, gender-responsive and youth-centered service delivery modalities that respond to the needs of refugees with disabilities from Ukraine to the Republic of Moldova and Georgia.</li> <li>- Strengthen community-based services and build the capacity of NGOs as local service providers for people with disabilities (and refugees), including through mentoring and mentoring support.</li> <li>- Advocacy and policy dialogue.</li> </ul> <p>The different organizations will also open different consultancy opportunities within the project that will be shared with the DATF members.</p>	
<p>Operational update from the members</p> <p><i>Ludmila Malcoci, Executive Director, Keystone Moldova</i> <a href="mailto:lmalcoci@khs.org">lmalcoci@khs.org</a></p> <p><i>Daniele Pedretti, Humanitarian PM, HelpAge International</i> <a href="mailto:Daniele.pedretti@helpage.org">Daniele.pedretti@helpage.org</a></p>	<p><b>Operational update from partners:</b></p> <p><b>Keystone</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Continuation of the 10 projects in all country</li> <li>- One of the projects is with EASPD and it is related to early intervention services for refugee children with disabilities. The project objective is to assess the situation of refugees raising children with disabilities. In the project are included training for Ukrainian para specialist on early intervention practices to support family with children’s disabilities. The project is also working with Unicef Moldova who is working on mapping children with disabilities among refugees</li> <li>- Keystone request other member of the task force to refer children with intellectual disability to them to participate to the project above mentioned</li> <li>- Keystone has also the special transportation services that can be activated calling the Hotline</li> </ul> <p><b>HelpAge</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Activities are continuing in the RACs (29) where there are 77 people with disabilities identified by the manager not using the Washington Group questions (6% of the total population of the RACs and 13% of the older people)</li> </ul>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Acted carried out another assessment in the RACs interviewing the 86% of the overall resident in the RACs using the Washington Group Questions and people with disabilities and vulnerabilities are 24% and above 60 years old reach the 61%</li><li>- HelpAge is supporting the RACs assessment together with the Accommodation and Transportation WG and the Disability and Age Task Force. The data collection will be finalized in April and result will be presented to the next TF meeting.</li></ul>	
Conclusion / AOB	<p>Next meeting will happen last Friday of April the 31<sup>st</sup> and it will be online event, while in May the meeting will happen in person.</p> <p>For any comments on the minutes of the meeting please share them with <a href="mailto:tonon@unhcr.org">tonon@unhcr.org</a></p>	Alberto to share the MoM and the invitation for the next meeting