



PSEA TASKFORCE

Meeting Details	
Date	30/06/2023
Time	10:00 am
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Agenda	
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <i>Joint PSEA Risk Assessment Updates</i>2. <i>Presentation of IASC materials translation to Romanian</i>3. <i>Reporting of PSEA activities</i>4. <i>Common PSEA messages</i>5. <i>AOB</i>	
Information collection and relevant links	
Moldova operational data portal: https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/ukraine/location/10784	
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Summary of discussions and agreements/ action points

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1. Joint PSEA Risk Assessment Updates	<p>The Joint PSEA Risk Assessment is a joint initiative supported by WHO, Church World Service, Oxfam, Plan International, IOM, UNFPA, and UNHCR. The GBV Sub-working Group, in collaboration with IOM and UNHCR, conducted a legal analysis for the risk assessment in Moldova. The data collection process started from the beginning of March to and is currently being finalized.</p> <p>One data collection exercise was the Perception Survey with Aid Workers, which gathered responses from 352 individuals. The primary objective of the Perception Survey was to understand and gauge the level of knowledge held by aid workers regarding key PSEA principles and standards.</p> <p>Another data collection exercise was the Leadership Survey, which was distributed to Heads of Agencies within the Refugee Response and the UNCT. With 32 respondents, this exercise aided in an overall assessment of the level of implementation of PSEA’s minimum operational standards across different organizations in Moldova.</p>	Follow-up Action: Joint data analysis workshop for all PSEA Network members to take place in August.



	<p>With the support of Magenta, interviews were conducted with 114 individuals receiving aid, including Moldovan, Ukrainian, and Russian nationals. The objective of this survey was to identify whether these individuals knew that aid from humanitarian workers is free of charge, whether they were aware of the conduct standards by the humanitarian workers, the complaint mechanism, and if they had encountered any instances where someone or some organization attempted to exchange aid for any kind of favor.</p> <p>Currently, 14 Focus Group Discussions are being conducted with various population groups, such as refugees living within or outside refugee accommodation centers, persons with disabilities, Roma refugees, children, and adolescents.</p> <p>Assessments were also conducted at refugee accommodation centers, transportation hubs, and cash enrollment centers, using a set of indicators across nine different areas. More than 50 facilities were assessed in this context.</p> <p>The final report is expected to be published in August.</p>	
<p>2. Presentation of IASC materials translation to Romanian</p>	<p>IASC Learning Package on PSEA is currently available in 8 languages. However, the package was not translated into Romanian. IOM & UNHCR Moldova jointly translated the package into Romanian with the support of Clear Global.</p> <p>The package consists of the following topics:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Deconstructing a Case Study2. Demystifying Power Relations3. Defining Sexual Misconduct4. Leading By Example5. Through The Victim’s Eyes6. Reporting Allegations7. Wrap-Up <p>The training is based on a case study that the participants must work on during the whole session. It also includes several role-play activities which help understand the imbalance</p>	<p>Follow-up Action: Organizations are encouraged to share the training calendar with their staff and partners, and reach out to Catalina Birsanu in case they need support organizing sessions or receiving the translated package.</p>



	<p>of power. There are multiple examples of sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment that emphasize the main characteristics of inappropriate behavior. The package highlights the victim centered approach and the importance of putting the victim’s needs first. The training has a separate chapter on reporting and what are the available channels of reporting in the region, and it ends with a wrap up and Q&A session.</p> <p>IOM and UNHCR colleagues already conducted a PSEA training with the freshly translated package and received positive feedback.</p> <p>According to the Inter-Agency Calendar of PSEA and AAP trainings for 2023, there are scheduled several PSEA trainings in Romanian during the whole year.</p> <p>However, any additional requests on conducting PSEA trainings is welcome.</p>	
<p>3. Reporting of PSEA activities</p>	<p>In 2021 was issued a Guidance Note on Reporting SEA, stating that given the gravity of SEA allegations, as head of the UN and spokesperson at the country level, RC/HCs need to be informed on allegations of SEA that may involve UN staff and related personnel.</p> <p>In June 2023, a New Guidance Note on Reporting SEA to Most Senior UN Official in Country was issued. The New Guidance expands the request for reporting any allegation of SEA to the most senior UN official in the country to Implementing Partners, starting from 1st of July.</p> <p>UN Agencies and IP should align and remove all the barriers created by internal rules and procedures that do not allow proper implementation of this New Guidance Note.</p>	<p>Follow-up Action: UN Agencies should ensure that any SEA allegations of SEA in Moldova – including by implementing partners – are reported to the Resident Coordinator.</p> <p>UN Implementing Partners must ensure to timely communicate the UN entity with whom they are partnering any SEA allegation related to their own staff.</p>
<p>4. Common PSEA messages</p>	<p>Nearly all of the awareness-raising materials on PSEA in the context of the Ukraine situation were adapted from the Ukraine response and translated into the local language.</p>	<p>Follow-up Action: Organizations willing to participate in a time-</p>



	<p>Last year, a script for an animation video on SEA was also created. The production of this video is currently underway, in collaboration with the PSEA Network.</p> <p>However, new communication materials need to be developed to suit the local context. Therefore, new shared PSEA messages should be created and jointly disseminated by all the agencies involved in the refugee response.</p> <p>Currently, 50,000 PSEA pocket cards are being printed in Ukrainian, Romanian, and Russian featuring key messages on PSEA. These cards will be distributed through the Cash Working Group / Basic Needs WG, ensuring that any activity involving cash or NFI distribution also includes the distribution of PSEA pocket cards. The cards will be further distributed based on the requests of the organizations involved in the refugee response.</p>	<p>bound taskforce to develop PSEA messages, should contact Catalina Birsanu (birsanu@unhcr.org). Currently, IOM, UNICEF, UNHCR and WHO are working on this task.</p> <p>Follow-up Action: Organizations willing to receive PSEA pocket cards to use in the context of programme implementation should contact Catalina Birsanu (birsanu@unhcr.org) indicating the quantity and languages required.</p>
<p>5. AOB</p>	<p>Quarter 1 highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 248 aid workers were trained on PSEA Fundamentals, which is usually a one-day training. • 55 organizations who formally appointed PSEA Focal Points • +500 individuals were consulted in the context of the PSEA Risk Assessment <p>Regarding the PSEAH Investigation Training, around 25 representatives of both National and International Organizations have joined the CHS Tier 2 on PSEAH investigation. There are plans for a second cohort in what follows as well as a Tier 3 cohort, pending availability of dates by CHS Alliance.</p>	<p>Follow-up Action:</p> <p>IP PSEA Capacity: UN Agencies willing to have their IPs assessed, to contact Diego Nardi (nardid@unhcr.org) who will forward the communication to WHO PSEA Focal Point, Giulia di Porcia.</p>



	<p>With the support of WHO, an international consultant was hired to support UN Agencies in assessing their IP's PSEA Capacity.</p> <p>On the 7th of July there will take place a training on PSEA Capacity Assessment of Implementing Partners. It will be a one-day training, mostly directed at UN Agencies but can also be applicable for UN partners. The training aims to explain the usage of the UN Common Tool on Assessing Partners' PSEA Capacity.</p> <p>During the 7th and 8th of June there took place the first Training on Complaint and Feedback Mechanism. It was delivered to both UN and NGOs. Another similar training will take place in Autumn.</p> <p>Next PSEA Network Meeting will take place in August. Exact dates to be confirmed.</p>	
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