

#13 Livelihoods and Economic Inclusion Working Group Meeting 3rd Aug 2023

Minutes of meeting #13 Livelihood and Economic Inclusion Working Group	
Location, Date & Time	Hybrid Meeting on Teams and at Ateliere Fara Frontiere's (AFF) office in Bucharest, Thursday September 7 th 2023, from 13:00 to 15:00
Facilitators	Christian Renson (UNHCR), Lucian Dinu (IOM) and Victoria Moren (UNHCR)
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	40. Alice Mihailescu, World Vision	
Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Round table and introduction of new WG members • UNHCR General Updates • UNHCR Help Page and Safe Employment (Task Force Needed?) • Review of the AJOFM/ANOFM guidance tool • Inter-Agency RRP indicators and narrative • AOB 	
	Discussion	Action Points
UNHCR general updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The UNHCR livelihoods call for expression of interest was closed on August 25th and the applications are currently under review. Feedback can be expected towards the end of September. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone is encouraged to familiarize themselves with the Services Advisor Tool and share it broadly within their community. Those wishing to upload their services to the tool are asked to get in touch with our Inter-Agency colleagues Facundo Palermo (palermo@unhcr.org, +40 727 760 209) and Sonia Alia Mohamed (mohalia@unhcr.org, +40 723 548 310) and they will be happy to assist. • Those wishing to become a GBV focal point within their organization and receive more information/training on this topic are encouraged to sign up here.
UNHCR help-page and safe employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With the support from IOM, Eliberare and CNRR, new information has been added to the UNHCR help-page about “accessing safe and dignified employment”. This new page provides some information about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Service providers who can support those who feel unsafe/exploited in their workplace - A basic overview of employees labor rights in Romania - Some warning signs to look out for when reviewing job postings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If anyone has feedback or ideas for additions/improvements to the info page, they are encouraged to reach out to Victoria Moren (moren@unhcr.org).
Review of employment Agency Guidance Note	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On Tuesday July 18th, the first Livelihoods and Economic Inclusion Working Group (LEI WG) meeting with the Government Employment Agency (ANOFM) Headquarter in Bucharest, where it was agreed to work together to create a guidance tool to help persons approaching 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An email will be sent out requesting the group’s review of the Employment Agency Guidance Note draft.

	<p>ANOFM/AJOFM better understand how to navigate their assistance and services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A first draft of the guidance tool has been developed by a taskforce of volunteers from the Working Group, who is now requesting feedback and inputs from the rest of the group. The draft will be sent out in a separate email for everyone's review. 	
<p>Inter-Agency RRP indicators and narrative</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sean Moore, Inter-Agency Coordination Officer, held a presentation (available here) about the Refugee Response Plan (RRP) and its M&E framework which the Working Group is about to review the 2024 indicators for. • The Inter-Agency Coordination team will be planning a kick-off session for potential RRP partners around 18 September. More information will be shared shortly. In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding the RRP, please contact Sean Moore at moores@unhcr.org 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An email will be sent out asking for inputs/feedback regarding the 2024 RRP indicators.