

Note for the File

Event	TCN Working Group Meeting
Date and Place	22.04.2022 12:00, Teams
Attended by	See participant list below
NFF prepared by	Emilia Piechowska

Overview:

- Focus on TCNs access to asylum and international protection
- Accommodation options to TCNs

Participant List:

- Agnieszka Matejczuk, SIP
- Jacek Białas HFPC
- Khaled Khaled
- Marta Staniszevska
- Kasia Błasińska
- Mame Faye-Rexhepi
- Francisco Yermo
- LeClair, Alden
- Aga Macura
- Jessica Caplin
- Kaja Wislinska
- Caterina
- Michał Zawistowski
- Natalia Warcholak
- PAYNE Natalie (IOM Poland)
- PIECHOWSKA Emilia (IOM Poland)
- Kamila Dembińska, KIK
- Maria Ossolińska, KIK

General updates:

IOM is starting office hours with support in legalization of stay for third country nationals on Wednesdays from 14-17. TCNs should book the time slot calling: +48 724 078 537.

Presentation: 'Access to International Protection in Poland' by Jessica Caplin, UNHCR

Presentation is attached to the minutes.

Accommodation options for TCNs, Kamila Dembińska, Maria Ossolińska, KIK;
Emilia Piechowska IOM Poland

Information about accommodation:

KIK's shelter:

The shelter is located in Warsaw. The shelter is opened mostly to TCNs, but also to Ukrainians (based on availability). The inhabitants receive at the shelter food and basic hygiene products and help/ advise in regard to organization of further travel. The place is visited by legal specialists. Psychological support is planned.

The inhabitants can stay in the shelter for 3 days, but in practice many are staying for longer. The current place is rented until the end of May. KIK is currently looking to rent a bigger place.

Before directing a beneficiary to the shelter it is necessary to check the availability: hostel@kik.waw.pl

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IOM has a possibility to support TCN with accommodation in Poland for 30 days (max. 90 days is special cases). The support does not include meals. The accommodation can be provided in different parts of Poland. Beneficiaries are required to fill in a short questionnaire and share with IOM a copy of their passports/identification documents.

The contact for the support: YUNUSAKHUNOVA Kibriyo <kyunusakhuno@iom.int>

Q&A

- **Is the time for TCNs to lodge the application for temporary residency permit extended by the covid legislation?**

In the interpretation of the Association for Legal Intervention it is extended until the end of the state of pandemic + 30 days. However, according to the Office for Foreigners this time is not prolonged – the application has to be lodged within the 15 days of the legal stay ([Specjalne rozwiązania dot. pandemii COVID-19 - Urząd do Spraw Cudzoziemców - Portal Gov.pl \(www.gov.pl\)](#))

Annexes and Images

Table I. Refugees and others of concern to UNHCR -- Summary

#	Type of population	Data element	Source	Start year (*)	End of year
1	Refugees	Total refugee population	Table II	2,255	2,391
2	Refugee-like	Total people in refugee-like situations	Table II B	0	0
3	Asylum-seekers	Total pending applications	Table IV	2,386	2,745
4	Refugee Returnees	Total returns during the year (refugees + refugee-like situations)	Table VI.A+B	0	0
5	Internally displaced persons (IDPs)	Total IDPs protected/assisted by UNHCR + people in IDP-like situations	Table V.A+B	734,000	854,000
6	Returned IDPs	Total IDP (+ IDP-like) returns (protected/assisted by UNHCR) during the year	Table V.A+B	0	0
7	Stateless persons	Total persons of concern under UNHCR's statelessness mandate	Table VI.C	35,860	35,927