# Information Management Working Group - Minutes

## 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023

Online meeting

## Agenda

- 1. Review of minutes of last meeting and actions points
- 2. IOM Assessments Presentation
- 3. Update on Assessments: MSNA Multisectoral Needs Assessment and Site Monitoring
- 4. AoB

## 0. Workshop on the collection and use of data related to Ukrainian Refugees

Peter Medvec, Director of NGO Ekopolis, and liaison between the Government's Plenipotentiary Office for Development of Civil Associations of the MoI for the EU CARE project, informed the group about the upcoming Workshop on the collection and use of data related to Ukrainian Refugees. This session will take place on the 16th of June in person, with the participation of government bodies and UN Agencies. Main highlights of the Workshop will be shared in the next IMWG meeting.

# 1. Review of minutes of last meeting and actions points

- 1. Revision of ToRs and Action Plan; IMWG cochairs shared with IMWG members the draft ToRs and Action Plan for 2023. After revision of the members and no additional inputs from the members, final version will be shared with RCF coordinators and published in the Operational Data Portal.
- 2. RRP activity achievements report; IMWG members are encouraged to review the Monthly Achievements Report, and provide inputs to improve this product. April update will be published next week.

## 2. IOM Assessments Presentation

IOM presented the main findings of the first quarter of the year for two assessments: Needs, Intentions and integration challenges, and Crossings back to Ukraine survey. Both correspond to regional initiatives IOM implements in neighboring countries to Ukraine throughout the year.

Needs Intentions and Integration challenges survey was conducted in 5 regions in the country, with a total of 842 surveys completed in humanitarian centers, border crossing points, information centers and collective centers. The assessment provided information on socio demographic profile of Ukrainian refugees, education and employment situation, movement intentions, accommodation, assistance received, immediate needs, inclusion challenges and preferred information channels. Crossing back to Ukraine survey was conducted in Kosice, Bratislava and Vysne Nemecke with a total of 981 surveys completed, with information on intention movements and reasons behind.

Results of both assessments are publicly available: <u>http://dtm.iom/slovakia</u> or https://dtm.iom.int/responses/ukraine-response

## **Action Points:**

- IOM focal point will share the presentation with the IMWG members  $\rightarrow$  LINK
- IOM focal point will keep the group updated on these assessments

## 3. Update on Assessments: MSNA - Multisectoral Needs Assessment and Site Monitoring 2023

UNHCR focal point on behalf of the MSNA Interagency Team provided an update of the MSNA process in Slovakia. The assessment is a standard process within the annual humanitarian planning cycle, which aims to identify the most pressing needs of a particular population across various sectors such as protection, health, education, shelter, livelihoods, food security, and others. The goal is to gather comprehensive and accurate data

that can guide and better inform the planning, implementation, and evaluation of programs and interventions aimed at addressing those needs.

The MSNA was first conducted in Slovakia in 2022. The 2023 MSNA will be conducted in 7 countries that are part of 2023 Ukraine Regional Refugee Response Plan (Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia).

The 2023 Slovakia MSNA is led by UNHCR, in line with UNHCR Regional Bureau for Europe guidelines, and it will be developed and conducted by an Interagency Team with the participation of focal points of IOM, UNICEF, WHO and UNHCR. This MSNA team will serve as the advisory group ensuring the effective implementation of the MSNA in the country, including by supporting as per specific expertise and knowledge on specific areas, in coordination and communication with all the RCF Working Groups and other relevant actors.

The MSNA Interagency Team plan to proceed with a series of short presentations in the different WGs to inform about the process and keep all RCF structure and other relevant actors informed of the developments. As a first stage regional concept note and quantitative questionnaire will be shared.

UNHCR and IOM focal points provided an update of the Site Mapping and Monitoring Survey; first round of data collection is about to finish and results will be shared with the group. This initiative aims to inform the situation and services available at the accommodation sites in Slovakia and monitor the situation throughout the year.

# **Action Points**

- MSNA Interagency Team will keep the IMWG members informed of the MSNA process.
- MSNA Interagency Team will share the MSNA Concept Note and Quantitative Questionnaire with IMWG members  $\rightarrow \underline{\text{LINK}}$
- UNHCR and IOM focal points will keep the IMWG members informed of the Site Monitoring Assessment and will share the results of the first round of data collection.

4. A.O.B.

Next meeting: 21<sup>st</sup> June - 14:00 pm