

Inter-Sector Working Group - Meeting Minutes

Location, Date & Time	Hybrid, Friday, 7 July 2023, from 11:00 to 12:45
Facilitator	Sebastiaan Der Kinderen
Participants	Basic Needs/ Kylie Alcoba Wright, Ylenia Franco (UNHCR), Cash/ Ahmad Zia, Horatiu Tatar (UNHCR) Razvan Cateriniuc (Romania Red Cross), Education/ Mathias Lansard (UNICEF), GBV/ Shiori Watanabe (UNHCR), Health/ Silvia Gatscher, Nicky Morgan, Georgiana Andrea Afumateanu (WHO), Livelihood/ Christian Renson, Victoria Moren (UNHCR), Protection/ Jorunn Brandvoll (UNHCR), Anti-Trafficking / Mark Earl Ebling (IOM), PSEA/ Konstantina Loupeidou (UNHCR), IA/ Sebastiaan Der Kinderen, Facundo Palermo, Ali Sonia Mohamed, Simina-Maria Costea, Rozita Roghani (UNHCR), Guest: Hangoo Lee (IFRC)
Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated figures • RRP 2024 Process – what to expect • Multi-Sectoral Needs Assessment: the latest • Sector updates • AoB/Reminder
Main Topic	Main Discussion and Action Points in Blue
Updated figures and announcements	<p>Figures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The number of border crossing has increased due to seasonal vacation. Many people are traveling to the sea sides in Bulgaria and Romania. It is still unknown whether this movement are people transiting or those Ukrainian leaving due to government assistance programme. • Number of Temporary Protection registered: 136,956 which is 1000 more than two weeks ago. Minor changes in geographical, no change in demographic. Some people are requesting the termination of TP. There will be two numbers on the data portal from now: one for active TP and one for terminated TPs. It would be good to follow the reasons for termination such as moving to employment visa.
RRP 2024 Process	<p>2023 RRP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No recalibration for 2023 • 2023 mid-year report deadline is in 10 days. ActivityInfo will provide the numbers. Its narrative will entail how we are advancing towards the four strategic objectives of 2023 RRP and will be used to set the objectives for 2024 RRP. • Sector Leads to provide 2 or 3 bullet points on their achievements in 2023 by Monday 10 July 2023. • IA (Sebastiaan) will send more information by end of today or Monday. • Information regarding the internal sector dashboards 2023: https://app.powerbi.com/groups/df4255a8-8ed8-44bb-8bd0-94af450d9208/reports/3922a9b4-922d-4809-8b46-c23dff7609eb/ReportSection7241e3b65de3db47fecd?experience=power-bi <p>2024 RRP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024 RRP: objectives similar to 2023 RRP, inclusion to national system, social cohesion.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> September: preparations (kick-off meeting tentatively on 1 Sept with CS and NGOs, incentivising to be part of RRP as funding tool; work with the Sector Leads on M&E framework) October: budgets and consultations with line ministries on priorities for 2024 November: preparation of narrative Government consultation/validation
<p>Multi-Sectoral Needs Assessment: the latest</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted consultation on priorities; all comments have been reflected on the forms; waiting for rephrasing some indicators; the final questionnaire for MSNA will be ready by Monday. Goal is to collect 1200 questionnaire over two months which requires reaching out to 3600 people for face-to-face interview and data collection; IOM and UNHCR partners trained 25 numerators in Sibiu on 18 and 19 July. Telegram channel, text messaging in advance to inform refugees that it is an official data collection. The report will be shared with ISWG last week of September or first week of October. Final report will be ready end of October. SL are requested to review the report. <p>Service advisor update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 50 organization; 377 services available in the platform - Google analytic installed - It will be launched on Monday 10 July 2023. - Posters are available. IA can provide posters in three languages.
<p>Sectoral updates</p>	<p><u>Education WG:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A meeting took place with the Ministry of Education to prepare for a joint event on the week of 17 July with partners and all county school inspectorates. It has to be followed by another technical meeting the number of MOE's agents to discuss technical issues. A lot of activities around main safety education in preparation for return have been promoted in the past few weeks and months. <p><u>CASH WG:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cash program during the transition from 50/20 to the new government assistance programme: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Harmonized eligibility criteria, cash transfer 568 Ron and payment frequency; worked closely with IRFC; not to pay the same people by different organizations; managed to avoid paying 4000 duplications. - Delivery mechanisms were immediate cash and cash accounts - Pipeline for cash assistance: UNHCR – Over 3,000 refugees, RC and IFRC – 9,000 refugees - WG is waiting for GBV risk analysis. There are two risk matrixes for online and offline registration. Sector Leads will be invited to a CWG meeting for presentation and discussion on risk analysis. <p><u>Health WG:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health Sector Lead presented WHO and health sector activities (presentation is attached). Decentralisation of health response are being done by three staff categories: national emergency response coordinators, county coordinators and cultural mediators. There are 5 county coordinators, 7 family medicine clinics and 3 midwives in Romania. Cultural mediators are in Bucharest, Cluj, Galati and Tg Mures. Brasov and Constanta are being recruited. They will provide support to refugees. Coordinators of different agencies will be connected. Key barriers to healthcare access: language, lack of information and concerns about cost.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planned county level activities: support GPs in registration and receiving reimbursement for refugees; support interpretation services; improve Ukrainian awareness of national & county health services. It would be good to link up with other sectors. Going forward: immunization planned activities. UNHCR telegram channel can be used to reach out to refugees and share messages. Sector Leads to send their messages to UNHCR Protection. <p><u>PSEA Network:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The training of trainers on PSEA took place on 4 July in Iasi with the participation of 27 staff from 9 NGOs. It was the first in person meeting in Iasi and inter-agency coordination and mechanisms were explained. <p><u>Protection WG:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNHCR and UNICEF continue working together to map out training needs. UNHCR suggested to revive the AAP TF temporarily for the referrals and complaint/appeal mechanisms. More discussion needed at the inter-agency level. <p><u>Livelihood WG:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 17,220 registered job seekers of the National Employment Agency and raising by 800 to 1000 people per week. 1,118 people have earned employment which has been increasing by up to 100 persons per week. As of 24 June, 6,810 refugees who have entered Romania after the conflict are now employed. It should be 7,000 now. Request the number of employed from Ministry of Labour and map it to the job codes. <p><u>GBV SWG:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SWG discussed the increasing risk for GBV issues especially around accommodation and after the termination of 50/20 programme. Partners have monitored cases of SEA related to accommodation and also found some cases of IPDV (intimate partner violence). Risk mitigation measures on cash assistance was also discussed.
AoB/Reminder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advocacy messages: IA will circulate the final version today RRP 2023 mid-year meeting: Thursday 13 July at 14:00 RRP partners, SL and donors
<p>Next meeting Date: Friday, 21 July 2023 from 11:00 to 12:30 Place: UN House Meeting Room, Teams link available</p>	