

MINUTES OF THE SYRIAN REFUGEE INFORMATION MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP

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Introduction by IMO:

- Introduction of Web Portal (<http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/country.php?id=103>)
- Highlighted the demography of Syrian refugees in Iraq
- Inter-Agency Needs Assessment Coverage (see web portal) to be updated on a regular basis (as new reports are made available by the various stakeholders such as NGO's and UN agencies)
- It is imperative for NGO's and UN agencies to update the IMO on their work in order to allow for the portal and all stakeholders to be updated and informed. Cooperation in this regard is utmost important.
- Encouragement to coordinate, share and analyse the data amongst all stakeholders
- Meet on a regular basis
- A number of information packages will be distributed in the near future; however, it needs the participation of all stakeholders to fill in the forms, e.g. their activities and send it back to IMO.
- A Camp Profile for Domiz is being worked on, including information as to who is doing what where in order to identify gaps. The information is being received from both UNHCR and the other agencies and NGO's involved. The profile will be sent via email and be posted on the web portal.
- The bi-weekly sit rep is also available on the site, amongst a number of other reports, maps etc.
- A calendar is being developed and will be distributed by email, but also be displayed on the portal.
- Above are just a few examples

Actions to be taken:

- Minutes of the various working groups to be sent to the IMO, so they can be posted on the portal.
- UNICEF: NGOs requested additional coordination with UNHCR to ensure that overlaps are avoided. IMO explained that, for example, the web portal is one major tool to identify gaps, but also to avoid overlaps.
- UNICEF: requested that the NGOs be added to the 3 W's Map that is in progress. Firas explained that that is indeed the case. Map will also include the camps and the host communities.
- It is easy to identify the needs in the camps, but it was suggested to add the population in the host community. This is also in progress.

- UNAMI suggested that the Syrian Refugees nationwide should be reflected. Firas confirmed that the figures are available, but cannot be all reflected on the map. But data can be obtained by approaching him directly.
- Next meeting should be held on the same day as the HCT. Same day right after, as all NGO's are already in the IZ.
- The above meeting was very well received and the need for such meeting on a regular basis was expressed by participants.

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