

CwC Meeting 15 March 2016

Minutes

Chair: Internews

Round of Introductions: IRC, DRC, RC, MSF, MercyCorps, UNHCR, BdM, Humanity Crew, Oxfam, Samaritan's Purse, HSA (Humanitarian Support Agency), HPF (Health Point Foundation).

Agenda Points:

- Scabies:** The issue was raised by Better days for Moria and Health Point Foundation. They request the collaboration between the organisations on finding cases, tackling the problem collectively and give information out. MSF has a flyer for partners (not refugees) on explaining what scabies is, the cleaning procedure, HP messages and how to seek treatment. MSF & UNHCR emphasise medical response has already been well addressed in the sites and explain there's no need to create panic amongst people by communicating widely about it.
- Wristbands:** UNHCR explained the new system of wristbands in Moria to improve camp management, including the queuing system. Refugees are given a wristband according with where they have to register. The wristband is needed for shelter and blankets too. The number under the barcode indicates the number in line for registration that will be shown in the big electronic billboards that DRC will establish in the near future. The biggest gap that remains is the communication part. Important that refugees know that it is only for camp management topics and not for further registration. The barcode will be scanned in the future (but this might take a while). They invite all NGOs on site to wear one. If anyone loses the wristband they can be given a new one if verified that they have been in the camp for over two weeks or so. If a child loses it then new are given to all the family so they have the same sequence number for registration. The messages about the system in place have to be reinforced so people keep them for their whole stay in the island since it's needed in Kara Tepe site too.
 - Internews is already producing audio + print messages for DRC
- Idomeni and Athens:** Internews reports on their trip to mainland Greece. There's big needs for communication, mostly on the situation at the border (many refugees are hoping it will open again after the EU summit). Internews just produced an information leaflet/poster on the legal options for refugees stuck there and it will be shared with all partners. People in Athens still want to go to Idomeni and are sure that borders will open after the EU summit on the 17 March 2016. Internews is working on getting information about what happens when the 'Kharti' expires and try to answer and publish questions from refugees on newsthatmoves.org website.

UNHCR informed that EASO suspended the applications for relocation program in Lesbos because they don't have place to accommodate the applicants.

No new updates from partner organisations.

AOB: New HLO (Humanitarian Liaison Officer) of Internews Siobán McEvoy will be chairing the following CwC meetings.