

## **Meeting Minutes Education Working Group (PWG)**

**Date and time of meeting:** Monday, February, 2017, 10h30-12h00

**Location of meeting:** UNHCR Office, Ioannina, Greece

**Members present:** Intersos, Ministry of Education, Soup&Socks, Second Tree, University of Ioannina, ARSIS, Unicef, TDH, Apostoli, Project Hope

**Guests:** -

**Chairperson:** Mohamed Othman

### **Agenda Item #1: Update from the MoE on developments on formal education**

Discussion: Event on raising awareness of educators last week.

We should encourage such initiatives which have an impact on the integration of the PoCs.

University of Ioannina: They had a meeting with the counsellors from the MoE to highlight their suggestions for improvements and forwarded a relevant report.

UOI proposal for improvement: Pilot program about the inclusion classes with the use of a special book that is already produced and will be printed in 2000 copies and also found in a pdf form in Arabic, Farsi and English.

MoE: They visited some schools in Filiapiada and planning an assessment of the first year including also the self evaluation of the schools.

A problematic aspect is that the Ministry does not have any feedback from the parents.

All the relevant actors to provide their inputs and compile a unified report to be sent to the Ministry so as to implement the solutions proposed.

### **Agenda Item #2: Establishment of parent's committees**

Discussion: Numerous of students are already losing interest and drop out (the numbers are high especially in Konitsa)

Idea of a parent committee to discuss the problems, the reasons why the students are losing interest and what can be done to encourage them.

Soup&Socks proposed to conduct the same meeting with the children as well.

**Additional:**

TDH: PoCs are lacking the understanding of the political and social situations since regarding the individual cases you cannot predict the duration of the asylum procedure. Support the standard of the living conditions so as to improve the chances that the people will be interested in education.

University of Ioannina:

Reports from Exohi hotel that Apostoli is considered the greek school. We should prevent creating confusions. The greek school is the only formal school. All the other organizations are providing non formal education.

Apostoli:

177 students registered and 111 students attending classes everyday .

English, Arabic, Farsi/Dari, Mathematics, Science, Recreational activities.

Only the University of Ioannina is accredited to provide Greek classes.

Afghans in Agioklima and Jannena House have not attended Greek classes for 2 months now provided by the UOI.

Meeting with the educational actors and partners to create a service map.

TDH:

training (discussion) to teachers on Thursday at 18:30 hrs and it will be repeated on first of March at 11:00 hrs.

Idea for a training on child protection to teachers.