

## CWC MEETING MINUTES

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| <b>CwC Meeting</b>                       |  |
| <b>Meeting Subject</b>                   | National CwC Working Group Meeting   |
| <b>Date, Time &amp; place of meeting</b> | 08/02/2017, UNHCR Athens Office  |
| <b>Meeting Chair</b>                     | Rachel Maher (UNHCR)   |
| <b>Minutes/notes prepared by</b>         | Rachel Maher   |
| <b>Present organizations</b>             | UNHCR, IRC, Internews, DRC, Save the Children Translators Without Borders, Salvation Army, MercyCorps, Advocates Abroad, Caritas Hellas. |

### 1. Review of previous meetings/matters arising

| Point/details | Details/Going forward  | Suggested Actions |
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|               | The Chair asked the attendees to provide their comments with respect to the minutes of the previous meeting. No comments were made. The minutes were approved. |                   |

### 2. Participatory Assessments

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| UNHCR<br>Participatory<br>Assessment | <p>UNHCR is conducting a participatory assessment around the country in February and would welcome the participation of humanitarian organizations operating in the field. Participatory assessment is a process of building partnerships with refugee women and men of all ages and backgrounds by promoting meaningful participation through structured dialogue. Participatory assessment includes holding separate discussions with women, girls, boys, and men, in order to gather accurate information on the specific protection risks they face and the underlying causes, to understand their capacities, and to hear their proposed solutions. Findings will be compiled in a report which will help guide humanitarian programming.</p> <p>Emilie Page   Protection officer (community-based) is co-ordinating this activity and can provide further information; <a href="mailto:page@unhcr.org">page@unhcr.org</a></p> | Chair to share the questions and planning with working group for feedback or possible participation. |
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### 3. Voices of Young Refugees and Migrants in Greece

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| Presentation,<br>Voices of Young<br>Refugees and<br>Migrants in<br>Greece | <p>Presentation, NRC &amp; Mercy Corps <a href="#">report</a>, Voices of Young Refugees and Migrants in Greece.</p> <p>Research was undertaken over the last two months, conducted over a wide range of geographical locations around Greece.</p> <p>Collaboration between NRC and MC was driven around youth-orientation of both organisations. They have both been working at a country level with young people since last year.</p> <p>Sample of 151 young women and men.</p> <p>Focus Group discussions with men, women, and specific nationalities. Research used an innovative card driven methodology using thematic tools, adapted by Mercy Corps. It's a game, rather than a question and answer process; that seeks to place value on different issues. Analysis was complex later but methodology addressed level of despondency and hopelessness. The tool itself and using it was like a community based intervention.</p> <p>Facilitators / translators were working in Arabic and Farsi.</p> <p>Access to education is top priority for all. Recommendations include conducting more youth-led projects. This social group expressed a lot of appreciation for</p> | Mercy Corps to share tool used to conduct focus group discussions. |
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|  | <p>Greek society, has a lot of energy / a lot to offer. Access to information is social; by groups. Eg. use of mobile phones depends on gender, age and nationality.</p> <p>Report is being used for advocacy with Ministries and local partners, focus on Greek agencies.</p> |  |
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### 4. Housing referrals

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|  | <p>CWC WG heard that people needing information about which sites have spaces, after arriving in Athens and not having accommodation options. UNHCR working on referral pathways to accommodation, and to understand how to refer cases to them. KEPOM, the operational arm of the inter-ministerial agency that is supporting accommodation and transfers, may be able to provide further information if requested.</p> <p>It may also be possible to get more information from SMS working group regarding site managers.</p> |  |
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### 5. Updates

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|  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. UNHCR cash communications materials – update for group – to be distributed early next week. Also Q&amp;As on the UNHCR accommodation scheme; and specific information on cash-related questions for people traveling from sites to urban accommodations is being developed and will be distributed to CWC partners.</li> <li>2. In the Loop – Internews publication – will be seeking to extend the format and content; also updating the Rumours project in order to be able to search the database, and retrieve the common or repeated issues.</li> </ol> |  |
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