

Moldova: Second inter-sector coordination group meeting minutes

Meetings	
Date	21 March 2022 (Next meeting on 28 March 2022)
Time	14.00
Chair	Ms. Lachin Hasanova, Senior Inter-Agency Coordination
Reporting	Kiri Atri, Reporting Officer
Agenda	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General overview • Update by working groups: Protection, Child Protection, Gender based violence, cash, inclusion and livelihood, Information management, Accommodation and transportation. • Update on Moldova Refugee Response Plan • Update by IOM on displacement pattern, needs and intention survey • Weekly Reporting 	
Information collection and links	
<p>Please use the below link to fill out information</p> <p>5W (Please note to fill only one entry per activity per location) https://bit.ly/36BYfFs</p> <p>Moldova Assessment Registry. https://bit.ly/37Ug0jG</p> <p>Link to operational data portal: https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/ukraine/location/10784</p> <p>Reporting: Quantitative https://bit.ly/3Dg6bb1 ; narrative/photo https://bit.ly/3DfimW0</p>	

Summary of discussions and agreements/ action items

Agenda	Discussion	Agreements/ Actions
Protection WG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weekly update on statistics 343,270 Ukrainians entered since Feb 24, with 100,779 remaining in Moldova. 5327 applications for asylum received by the Govt. 	Detailed statistical any will be uploaded on operational data portal.
GBV WG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 31 organizations have signed up for GBV WG, and only six organizations only submitted GBV proposal to the RRP Some of the potential risk factors identified includes informal nature of transportation and Accomodation services available to the refugees. Priorities identified includes updating and developing referral pathways and needs assessment to identify gaps in services in particular health services. Adopt an interagency part protection monitoring tool for site level assessments. Tool is being worked upon by the Protection WG 	<p>Incase of interested to join the RRP, please contact GBV WG</p> <p>All of those who are working or planning to work on human trafficking may join the protection working group.</p> <p>If agency is interested in the GBV joint assessment, please reach out to UNFPA</p>
Child Protection WG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estimated 47% children or approx. 48,000 Risk includes psychosocial distress, risk of violence and trafficking, family trafficking, risk of trafficking Four priorities in the RRP, child friendly reception, identification, and best interest procedures for children at risk, (2) prevent separation and ensure provision of services for UASC, (3) Psychosocial support and community outreach (including blue dots), (4) strengthening child protection systems and services. Blue dots working in full swing, open both at BCP and Chisinau. Ensure accurate data collection that could be used at regional level. Efforts continue to involvement of local public authority. 	<p>Any evacuation of Unaccompanied and separated children from Ukraine needs to be coordinated with Central Authorities. Reach out to UNICEF incase you need help to coordinate efforts with authorities.</p> <p>Training of local authorities, law enforcement, border police in identification of vulnerable children</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern raised include Moldexpo, taken over by the Central Authority, in terms of continuity of services. • CP WG meets every Wednesday. Representatives from Ministry of Labor and Social Protection, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Chisinau Municipality, Child Rights Ombudsperson • The responsibility for Unaccompanied and Separated children is first the local authorities and there is focal person in the Child Protection and Family Directorate within the Ministry of Labor and Social Protection. • Preparedness to response increased flow of regional refugees 	
Cash working group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNHCR has started the pilot cash-based roll out plan for refugees, in partnership with CRS, Caritas and Diaconian. Expect to increase coverage rapidly. Enrolment process for refugees have started using PRIMES system. It will give each refugee a unique identifier so we will be avoiding duplication. • WFP is working on host family side. Preparing to roll out cash grand for host families. • WFP and UNHCR are working closely on the enrolment and distribution process. • Group has started to fill the 5W. 	Coordination on geographical coverage and response through weekly meetings on Thursday.
Livelihood and Inclusion WG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first meeting took place on 15 March, with the purpose of exchanging information about the partners' refugee response and the local public authority's situation in responding to the refugee influx. The meeting was attended by government officials. • The Working Group's name is changed from Livelihood and durable Solutions to Livelihood and Inclusion. • The WG's work will be contextualized against the backdrop of Moldova's numerous challenges (socio-economic impact, energy, implication of conflict in Ukraine, impact on agricultural sector and potential impact on food security.) 	Days and time for the meeting will be suggested. Those who would like to participate in the WG please reach out to andrea.cuzyova@undp.org . The invitation for participation will be addressed to Deputy state chancery, who will co-chair the working group.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On the economic front, the group will prioritize improving access to the formal labor market, financial inclusion, ensuring access to services in areas where refugees will settle, and strengthening local public authorities. • Several members have begun a rapid needs assessment, examining, for example, the capacity of local governments to respond to refugee needs and the impact of value chain breakdown on SME. Additional consultations with the government and partners. 	<p>Understanding on who is doing what in terms of assessment and target to do a common assessment.</p> <p>Filling in 5W will commence soon</p>
<p>Information management WG</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have received a list of activities from the sector. A new template format was made available via the SharePoint site. Everything previously shared has been migrated to the new template. This week, 178 activities were reported. • We need to concentrate on the template's format and how we fill it out. It would be beneficial to have more precise information, such as the activity's location (100 entries without information on location of activity). The objective is to have entries for administrative locations and one entry for each activity at each location. • The drop-down list of activity categories has been created to assist partners in filling out the template. • The IM group has launched a data collection exercise called the "Moldova Assessment Registry" to compile a list of assessments currently underway or planned in Moldova. This is necessary to identify the gaps. • The Moldova page on the Operational Data Portal has been established. Individual page will be created for each working group, as well as a calendar of meetings, upload documents. • IM WG new time will be established, and a meeting timing will share soon. • The International Federation of the Red Cross (IFRC) has provided an update on their coordination and support to the Moldovan Red Cross. IFRC has a platform for operational data that is used to 	<p>IM colleague will participate in the meeting with all sector WGs to provide support and answer any questions they may have about 5W.</p> <p>Fill out the 5W matrix – one entry per activity and one activity per location – and submit it. Link is already circulated by email by the chair.</p> <p>In case of any questions, please reach out to urbanm@unhcr.org (also for any upload on operational data portal)</p> <p>Link to the Kobo forms to provide information on Moldova Assessment Registry. https://bit.ly/37Ug0jG</p>

	<p>collect. A multi-sector assessment of the site was carried out. The Moldovan Red Cross has gathered information on temporary accommodations for those in need. 3W has been collected through the Go platform, and this information will be shared with the IM WG. Tools that are both common and harmonized are required to better understand the needs.</p>	
<p>Accomodation and transport WG</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With the Ministry of Labor and Social Protection, Hieko Hering will serve as co-chair of the Accomodation and Transportation Committee. The situation remained relatively stable, which allowed for improvements to be made at the Palanca Bus Station. With support from Swiss authorities a plan was developed for improvement. The plan is currently being reviewed by the local government. • On the subject of solid waste management, some issues have been brought to light. The Swedish embassy will be able to provide assistance in this regard. This requires immediate attention as well as something more long-term, which is required by the municipality. • This week, the government was successful in identifying additional refugee acclimatization centers. More than 105, with 9126 total capacity and a 47 percent occupancy rate only for accredited RACs, is the total capacity. Immediately following the declaration of the emergency, the government put in place a referral accreditation process that was completely in accordance with the minimum humanitarian standards in place. • The immediate needs at the RACs are being met. The Government requires financial assistance in order to pay for utility bills. The government is currently working on developing a support mechanism for such a need. Hot meals and sanitation kits are still being provided by partners. • Need to support communities hosting Ukrainian refugees with food and hygiene items has increased, which is most likely due to the 	

	<p>exhaustion of resources among Ukrainian families. Assessments are currently underway, with a particular focus on the hosting communities, and more concrete data will be made available as it becomes available.</p>	
<p>Regional response plan (RRP)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● It is currently in the process of finalizing its launch date, completing its regional process, and conducting a review process. ● The Refugee Response Partnership (RRP) is a collective oversight of the refugee response, not a fund-raising mechanism. ● RRP is collective overview of the refugee response and not a fund-raising mechanism. This snapshot provides a good overview of budgetary requirement for the refugee response. 	<p>Follow-up question on sectorial response and individual submission will follow</p> <p>Final draft will be shared with the Government for feedback.</p> <p>NGO registration with the Government is essential for RRP.</p>
<p>Displacement tracking matrix by IOM and UN women</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Displacement patterns, intentions and needs was a study conducted in collaboration with the United Nations Women and CBS Axa. ● The outcome of the 1777 interview is now available. Respondents' social and demographic profiles are provided. Combine and differentiate responses from RACs, border patrols, and host families, among others. ● The majority of those observed are from Odesa. Those who met in Chisinau are from Odesa, and it is possible that they have plans to settle in the city. This applies to nationals of third-party countries. ● Most people travel in groups. In Chisinau, the number of family groups is larger. ● 83 percent of the women met, representing the vast majority of the women in the sample, were traveling with one child. ● Depending on the situation in Ukraine as well as the situation in the receiving country, these results and intentions may be subject to change. Those who met in Chisinau expressed a desire to remain in the country. 	<p>Detailed dash board is available with lbartolini@iom.int</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most immediate needs: support with transportation, support to return home when possible, food, medicines and health services. • Overall, need to be prepared for a certain set of services to support women. 1 in 10 women were traveling. 	
Reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both qualitative and quantitative inputs are being collected for reporting from all partners. • Sector leads to provide the following update Context for sectorial response: 150-200 words Photo: 1 photo per sectorial response Sector update: 250-300 words (technical partners + sector partners) Inputs for the Humanitarian snapshot: 100 words (one headline section/ audience: senior government officials) Link: Important links for partners for reference and information that sectorial partners may find useful (where they can download posters, training material, information material etc.) 	For more details, please write to atri@unhcr.org
Any other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the working assumptions for the Odesa situation, given that there has been no significant development? • Border authority in collaboration with central authority in Chisinau direct the buses. If there are issues, they can be flagged to authorities • Concerned about the equipment donated by NGO removed from Moldexpo after the transfer of management. UNHCR together with partners is refurbishing the center. • Gender task force in Moldova has been established under the refugee response and will be co-chaired by UN Women and UNHCR. All organization are encouraged to participation and membership is open to all. 	Nominations for gender task force to be send to flora.macula@unwomen.org and quosh@unhcr.org
Next week agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender task force, PSEA, MHPSS and please share the items to be included in the agenda. 	

