



SECTOR WG/SWG/TASKFORCE

Gender Taskforce

Meeting Details		
Date	7 June 2022- The next meeting is not yet scheduled. Additional information will follow.	
Time	13:00 – 14:30	
Chair	Ms. Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women), Ms. Nina Lozinschi (Gender Equality Platform)	
Reporting		
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Agenda		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update from the Refugee Coordination Forum 2. Key GEWE updates from the GTF members 3. Endorsement of GTF workplan 4. Participation in refugee response working groups (including PSEA and information management group) 5. GTF reflection exercise 6. AOB (new date for the GTF meetings, GiHA pre-registration) 		
Information collection and relevant links		
Please use the below link to fill out information		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link to operational data portal: https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/ukraine/location/10784 		
Participants		
Dominikia Stojanoska, Country Representative, UN Women	Lilia Pascal, Head of Department for Gender Equality Policy, Ministry of Labor and Social Protection	Irina Luncasu, Project Coordinator, CALM
Heba Zayyan, Gender in Humanitarian Specialist, UN Women Palestine	Cristina Lesnic, Consultant, UN Women	Liliana Palihovici, President, Institutum Virtutes Civilis
Nighina Azizov, Programme Analyst, UN Women		Valentina Bodrug-Lungu, President, Gender-Cetru



Daria Barnos, Administrative Associate, Un Women	Ludmila Bocsanean, Project Associate, UN Women,	Galina Lesco, Consultant and Head of Youth Firendly Health Center
Evghenia Hiora, Project Officer, UN Women	Atria Mier, Action Aid	Neovita,WHO
Renata Gradinau, NGO "Afina"	Svetlana, Programme Specialist	Nina Lozinschi, General Secretary of the Platform, UNFPA

Summary of discussions and agreements/ action points

Agenda	Discussion	Agreements/ Actions
Opening remarks	Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women) presented meeting agenda and invited new members to present themselves. No new members were present.	
Updates from Refugee Coordination Forum (RCF)	<p>Evghenia Hiora (UN Women) provided GTF members with updates from the last Refugee Coordination meeting as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moldova Multisectoral Needs Assessment has rolled out. The assessment will focus on identifying the needs and coping capacities of Ukrainian refugee households in the country. Trainers received instructions and started data collection. The expected date of release of results from preliminary analysis are 10 and 17 June. The final presentation of results is due late July 2022. Protection Against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse High Level Mission (UNHCR) is going to take place on 14th and 15th June. The visitors are Jane Connors, Victims' Rights Advocate and Jane Holl Lute UN Special Coordinator on improving the United Nations response to sexual exploitation and abuse. The aim of the visit is to better understand SEA risks faced by refugees as well as operational challenges. GBV SWG carried out the Safety Audit throughout the country (including host communities) in coordination with all the members of the working group and financial/technical support of UNHCR and UNFPA. UNHCR continues work on contingency planning - 20 organizations reported 53 activities. There has been a contingency planning workshop organized for the representatives of NGOs, INGOs 	

	<p>and UN Agencies in Moldova on 3 June. UN Women participated on behalf of the GTF and provided input on gender-specific vulnerabilities with regards to people with disabilities, blind, illiterate, mothers with small babies, etc. A similar workshop will be organized for the Government of the Republic of Moldova to consider issues raised by the NGOs, INGOs and UN Agencies and to harmonize the contingency plan.</p>	
<p>Issues to flag</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women) expressed concerns that Multisectoral Needs Assessment may not produce gender-sensitive results. The preliminary results will be tentatively revealed by the time of the next GTF meeting. She encouraged an active involvement in the preliminary analysis. • Heba Zayyan (UN Women) mentioned that the Multisectoral Needs Assessment methodology and questionnaires were reviewed by the UN Women. Comments on methodology were partially considered, while review of the questionnaire took place after the start of the data collection. As the questionnaire has a separate section on GBV and sexual violence, it will most likely be well covered in the analysis, as well as other important health related issues. Other topics as for example education, boys versus girls, and others might not be covered as extensively. • Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women) suggested to consider more in-depth gender analysis of the raw MSNA data once it is revealed. 	
<p>Key GEWE updates from the GTF members</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women) shared brief updates on the current refugee situation in Moldova with the influx and the number of refugees decreasing. • Nina Lozinschi (Platform for Gender Equality) informed that the regional refugee centers started to shut down due to the migration of women with children to the cities, as cities offer more opportunities for employment and education for children. However, in terms of needs, the educational and psychological support, as well as support with documentation are still highly required. Gender Equality Platform continues its work with approx. 20 communities. • Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women) highlighted the lack of childcare facilities and the necessity to adjust refugee accommodation centers to address the need for childcare services. • Irina Luncasu (CLAM) mentioned that CLAM in cooperation with the UNHCR, UNDP and IOM are collecting data on how the local public administration are assisting refugees. The data confirms that the number of refugees in cities is higher than in the villages. The overall number of 	

	<p>refugees is decreasing but the number of refugees residing in families remains steady. The findings are expected to be finalized not earlier than in two weeks, the data will be presented in Livelihoods and Inclusion Working Group and will contain the gender aspects as well. The analysis will show a clearer picture of what can be done with the existing centers to better accommodate the needs of the remaining refugees.</p>	
<p>Endorsement of GTF workplan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women) informed that the final version of the workplan will be shared with the members of the Gender Task Force and encouraged its endorsement. Number of activities pointed out in the plan are already being implemented. 	<p>-Evghenia share the final version of the workplan, the feedback from participants is expected by the end of the week</p>
<p>Participation in refugee response working groups</p>	<p>Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women) underlined the need to update the membership of the GTF and its representation in other working groups as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many members have already finalized their assignments in Moldova and are no longer present. Replacements need to be nominated from the working groups to the GTF, as well as GTF should nominate its representatives in the working groups to ensure a proper exchange of information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GTF has members attending Inclusion and Livelihoods, GBV, Education and PSEA: - Inclusion and Livelihoods – Irina Luncasu (CLAM) - GBV - Nighina Azizov (UN Women), Violeta Terguță (UNFPA), Atria Mier (ActionAid), Galina Lesco (WHO), Valentina Bodrug-Lungu (Gender Centru) - PSEA Task Force – Nighina Azizov (UN Women) - Education – Evghenia Hiora (UN Women) 	<p>-Working groups to nominate gender focal points and alternatives</p> <p>-Bring up the issue of nominations at the Sector Leads meeting</p> <p>-Update GTF member list</p>

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<p>GTF reflection exercise</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heba Zayyan (UN Women) informed on the plan to conduct half a day GTF reflection exercise at the end of the June to discuss the role of the group and focal points, expectations of the members and their organizations. • Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women) encouraged the discussion on strategic directions and work of the group during the exercise. Participation in trainings and mapping of the membership in the working groups to take place in a week time will pave the way for this discussion. 	<p>Share additional information on exercise (date, place and participation)</p>
<p>AOB</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evghenia Hiora (UN Women) reminded the GTF of the upcoming set of Gender in Humanitarian Action trainings tailored for various actors responding to refugee crisis in Moldova - GTF, Government, Sector Leads and frontline workers. On 13-16 June the first training for GTF members will take place. It is the most comprehensive 4-days long training, which will encompass the full programming cycle and guidelines on how gender should be properly mainstreamed into humanitarian action. Heba Zayyan, Gender and Humanitarian Aid Specialist on surge from Palestine will share her extensive experience on the issues. Registration for the training is encouraged for those who feel the need in capacity building in this field. • Heba Zayyan (UN Women) pointed out that the training is interactive in nature and will consist of group exercises, reflections, and discussions. It also has a Training for Trainers module that 	

	<p>will allow participants to do capacity building on Gender in Humanitarian Action based on the IASC training materials within their organizations or structures.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Evghenia Hiora (UN Women) informed that GTF meeting are tentatively scheduled bi-weekly, Tuesdays at 10:00-11:30. <p>Suggestions for the Next Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussion on training• Preliminary findings of CALM assessment• Preliminary finding of MSNA• Update on reflection exercise with GTF	
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