MEETING MINUTES

CHILD PROTECTION SUB WORKING GROUP

14 July 2022

Participating organization: TDH, Plan International, JRS, Good Neighbours, UNHCR, UNICEF, European Centre for Legal Education and Research,

Co-chairs: UNICEF, UNHCR

Time: 1130 hrs – 1300hrs

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Agenda:

1. Introduction
2. Confirmation of previous minutes and matters arising
3. CP referral pathways
4. Operational updates
5. A.O. B

	Agenda	Discussion	Action points
1.	Introduction	Meeting started with opening remarks by the co-chairs and introduction of the participants. The co – chairs highlighted the need to review the partnerships that actors are establishing to ensure clarity and avoid duplication. This review will inform development of referral pathways.	
2.	Confirmation of previous minutes and matters arising	a) **Update on CPMS+ Primero** - The meeting was informed that feedback received from the pilot that was conducted in Vaslui, Timisoara and Bucharest will be incorporated into the tool this week. UNICEF shared with the National Child Protection Authority the draft	- CPIMS+ registration and referral form to be shared with all the members. - Follow up with the National Child Protection Authorities on offline use of the registration form.

		methodology on identification and registration of Ukrainian children and received feedback on the same. The National Child protection Authority and SERA established a network of 350 social workers and psychologists in all the counties who will use CPIMS+ alongside other actors accredited by the authorities. On 13 July 2022, the 1st training session on CPIMS+ was conducted for the 350 above mentioned staff. The training focused on how to develop the initial lists, organizing home visits etc. The second session which will focus on the technical aspects will be conducted on Monday, 18 July 2022. The authorities are planning to start using the tool next week. The meeting acknowledged the importance of the tool for identification, registration and referral of children while noting that there would be gaps in the process if the tool is not used consistently by all actors. Some participants requested for a list of the organizations that are licensed to use the tool and sought guidance on whether the registration form could be used offline by the organizations that are not licensed to use the tool (pending licensing); to ensure a	- Members to be updated on the progress of the roll out and actors that would be licensed to use the tool. - Members to share comments on the 2 CP procedures. - Members to update the 5W Matrix by 20 July, 2022. - Summer camp activities to be discussed at the next meeting.

		harmonized approach in identification and referral. b) **CP SWG work plan:** The CP SWG work plan which was adopted at the meeting of 30 June 2022 was shared with all the members. c) **2 CP procedures**: Gratitude was expressed to the members that shared comments on the 2 procedures. Comments are welcome until 17 July 2022. d) **5W matrix:** The link to the CP 5W matrix was shared with the members as agreed with a deadline of 05 July 2022 to enter the activities implemented until June 2022. There were no major updates to the matrix which is required for reporting on activities that partners are implementing for wider audience including donors and other external stakeholders; mapping of services that partners are providing that would also inform gap analysis and lastly for development of referral pathways. The meeting resolved to extend the deadline to 20 July 2022. The Information Management team is available to support members in this process. e) **Summer camp activities:** The meeting deliberated on the need for the members to review the activities that partners are	

		implementing during this summer period. Some of the activities are child protection related while others are educational; thus, the need for collaboration with the Education sub working group. The meeting resolved to discuss this as a substantive agenda at the next meeting.	
3.	Operational updates	**a) UNHCR** Between 24 February and 12 July 2022, 1,335,367 Ukrainian nationals arrived in Romania (831,957 directly from Ukraine and 503,410 thorough Moldova). As of 11 July, 84,393 of these registered as refugees and 45,530 for temporary protection. UNHCR is finalizing partnership agreements with 3 partners: Plan International to implement child protection activities in Iasi, Galati and Brasov; Terre Des Home for the same in Bucharest, Constanta and Sucaeva and Autism voices for children on the autism spectrum in Bucharest and will receive referrals from other locations. On 04 and 06 July, 2022, UNHCR Protection team facilitated training sessions on International protection, child protection, GBV, prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA) and accountability to affected populations (AAP) for 37 DGASPC, NGO staff and volunteers in Tulcae and Galati, respectively. The child protection session focused on the risks that children face in the context of forced displacement	

		b) UNICEF Ana Ines Juarez joined UNICEF as a Counter Trafficking focal point for 6 months. Currently reviewing concept notes on various issues including for instance Sighet blue dot looking at replacing the tents with containers in preparation for winter. Considering a partnership with FONSS to establish a community outreach programme in Iasi that would also include information on the UNHCR cash assistance programme. UNICEF will also partner with Alternative Sociale for child protection in Iasi besides partnership with National College of Social Workers to support about 1,000 social workers. Partnership with ASSOC in the Blue dots will also continue in addition to establishment of light blue dots in service areas in partnership with DGASPC. UNICEF participated in the contingency planning mission jointly with UNHCR to Vaslui. The main objective of the mission was to identify potential accommodation sites. World Kitchen will be phasing out of Vaslui and Iasi which will create a gap in provision of food assistance at the border entry points. There is a need to fill this gap. **c) Plan International**	

		Continuing partnership with ADRA and FDP to implement activities in Bucharest, Sucaeva, Tulcae and Brasov. Reconsidering implementation of activities in Satu Mare due to the reduction in numbers. The activities implemented include psychosocial support activities for children, training of caregivers, information provision, cash assistance and Education. d) **European Centre for Legal Education and Research** In collaboration with the Romanian American University's Centre for Human Rights and Migration, conducts training on prevention of human trafficking and sexual violence particularly against children. Next week planning to conduct a training for Ukrainian and other refugees on leadership with the aim of enhancing their capacity as a community to organize against human trafficking and sexual violence. In September, the trained community members will be supported to implement information sessions in the community. During the last week of July, will conduct training for organizations working with refugees. ECLER highlighted the case of a Ukrainian child who requires financial assistance for a hearing aid. This medical intervention is required within the next 5 years to prevent hearing loss.	
4.	A.O.B	None	
	Next meeting	28 July 2022 at 1130 hrs – 1300hrs	