

MOLDOVA: GENDER TASK FORCE MEETING

Meeting Details	
Date	15 November 2022
Time	11:30 – 13:00
Venue	Zoom
Chair/ co-chair	Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women), Nina Lozinschi (Platform for Gender Equality)
Agenda	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates from the Refugee Coordination Forum – RRP process, Temporary Protection, Service Advisor (15 min) • Presentation RefAid (5 min) • Women Voices: projects updates, issues to flag, advocacy asks (15 min) • Women Voices: La Strada – Presentation of the Report on promising and emerging practices that prevent and respond to VAWG in humanitarian context (20 min) • Updates UN Women: NGO mapping, Gender Alert, advocacy brief on work of local CSOs, GTF work plan for 2023 (15 min) • AOB (10 min) 	

Participants			
#	Name	Organization	Function
1	Nina Lozinschi	Gender Equality Platform	General Secretary
2	Daniela David-Cimpoies	UN Women	Manager
3	Evghenia Hiora	UN Women	Project Officer
4	Daniela Dutca	UN Women	Project Officer
5	Svetlana Andries	UN Women	Programme Specialist
6	Ludmila Bocsanean	UN Women	Project Associate
7	Ala Svet	UN Women	Programme Officer

8	Lovisa Salomonsson	UN Women	Communications Volunteer
9	Nighina Azizov	UN Women	Protection Associate
10	Galit Wolfensohn	UN Women	GiHA Consultant
11	Rei Doi	Peace Winds Japan	Moldova office - Field Coordinator
12	Eugeniu Martin	ICRC	
13	Svetlana Georghieva	AO „BiazGul" Regional Center for Rehabilitation of Victims of Family Violence	Director
14	Catalina Sampaio	Interagency Coordination Team	
15	Margarida Freitas	RefAid	Outreach Manager
16	Teodora Zafiu	UNDP	Resilience and Livelihoods Coordination Specialist
17	Gianna Zoukidou	OHCHR	
18	Monica Vazquez	UNHCR	
19	Khatuna Murgulia	OHCHR's sub-team in Moldova	
20	Casey O'Neill	Church World Service	
21	Doina Cazacu	La Strada	
22	Valentina Toporeț	AO Motivatie	

Summary of discussions and agreements/ action items

Agenda/Discussion	Agreements/ Actions
<p>Opening remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women) welcomed participants and introduced the agenda of the meeting. 	
<p>Update from the Refugee Coordination Forum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Catalina Sampaio (Interagency Coordination Team) provided updates on the Refugee Response Plan 2023, in total 71 projects and approx. 1600 activities were submitted, now all are reviewed by sector leads. Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women) stressed the importance to stick to the guidance on submission, 	

in particularly on the part concerning gender issues and gender disaggregated data and asked about the deadline on submission of the second narrative report and if the GTF assistance is required. Answer: the deadline is November 18, 2022, and by November 25 the information should be sent to the Regional Office, the Sector Leads must take action on the inputs.

- **Monica Vazquez** (UNHCR) updated on Temporary Protection:
 - The draft is no longer open for comments, as all the comments are now reviewed and the final version is expected to be published in the coming days, but the registration for temporary protection will not be available immediately after the publication. UNHCR and Moldovan government are organizing an information campaign on the modalities of temporary protection. More information will be shared when it is approved by the government, but UNCHR will eventually ask GTF members for support with the campaign. According to the draft, the registration for temporary protection must be done first online by the applicant, and then physically at the Bureau for Migration and Asylum Office. If eligible, he/she will then receive an ID card. All BMA offices will be open for this, but only on certain dates. However, it is advised to wait until the final version is published before sharing this information.
 - **Dominika Stojanoska** (UN Women) underlined that discussions need to be held on how to mobilize and share this information quickly as soon as it is official. All potential networks need to be utilized.
 - **Monica Vazquez** (UNHCR) mentioned that as it is a sensitive topic, the information has to be targeted to make sure it reaches the once who need temporary protection. This should not be an open social media campaign, but shared through our established connections with refugee communities.
- **Monica Vazquez** (UNHCR) informed on service advisor – web-based platform soon to be deployed to share information on available services for service providers and users. Thus, the platform will consist of public (for beneficiaries) and private parts (for the organizations with login credentials and possibility to upload information), the platform will also have a feedback mechanism about the services. Training on the usage was provided the day before, the guidance training will be available soon, as well as access to the platform upon request. AAP-taskforce is working on printed material to complement the platform.

Presentation RefAid

- **Margarida Freitas** (RefAid) presented the organization RefAid and their goals and introduced the app that maps services for refugees in more than 50 countries around the world with input from more

<p>than 8000 organizations. Margarida demonstrated application on her phone, showed how it could be used by beneficiaries as well as CMS on the computer and showed how organizations provide the inputs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diego Nardi and Monica Vazquez (UNHCR) shared information on the coordination activities already in place and proposed to coordinate the efforts on mapping of services. 	
<p>Women Voices: La Strada – Presentation of the Report on promising and emerging practices that prevent and respond to VAWG in humanitarian context</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doina Cazacu (La Strada) presented report on practices to combat violence against women and girls in humanitarian context. Main objectives of the study: analyze international regulations on GBV, establishment of the prevention mechanisms, identification and analysis of the practices in Moldova. Some of the recommendations of the report are to include the humanitarian context in policies for preventing and combating violence, increase women refugees’ knowledge of their rights in Moldova, and ensure temporary protection. Doina also clarified that cases of violence against women and girls that occurred in Ukraine can be reported and prosecuted in Moldova. 	
<p>UN Women: NGO mapping, Gender Alert, advocacy brief on work of local CSOs, GTF work plan for 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evghenia Hiora (UN Women) reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ That the NGO mapping exercise continues. The data base and questionnaires are currently being elaborated. Members are invited to share the contacts of the local partners and their own if applicable for this purpose. The exercise is expected to be finalized by the end of December and report will follow. ▪ Work on the Gender Alert continues. The preliminary findings are expected to be shared during the next GTF meeting. ▪ GTF Working Plan for the next year is being elaborated, the draft to be shared for discussion and proposals. 	
<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dominika Stojanoska (UN Women) proposed for Gender Equality Platform to propose items for discussion and priorities for 2023. All the documents mentioned above will be shared with GTF members. 	
<p>Material shared</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link to Service Advisor - https://moldova.servicesadvisor.net/en • Sector leads contact list - https://data.unhcr.org/en/documents/details/96528 	