

Presentation for the first Strategic Advisory Council

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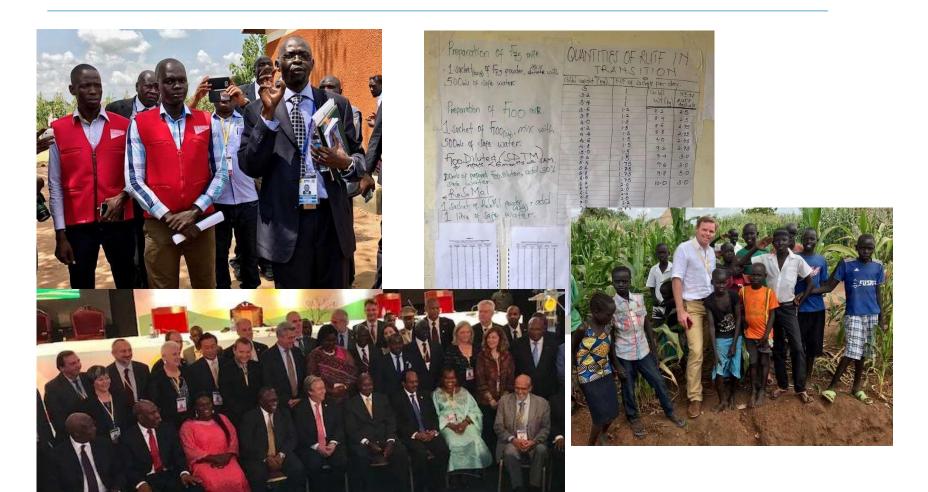


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Part I. JDC Mission, Objectives and the Role of the Council



Mission Statement

The Joint Data Center on Forced Displacement aims to enhance the ability of stakeholders to make timely and evidence-informed decisions that can improve the lives of affected people

Scope

Affected people include refugees, internally displaced persons, stateless people, returnees, asylum-seekers, and host populations

Focus

Focus is on collection, analysis and dissemination of primary microdata.



Mission Statement

I. Strengthen the sustainability of a global data collection system, based on common norms, definitions, and methodologies

II. Ensure population and socioe conomic data are systematically collected and analysed

III. Facilitate open access to forced displacement data, with adequate anonymization and safeguards to ensure the integrity of the legal protection framework

IV. Promote innovation to enhance forced displacement data



Strategic Advisory Council

Members: Member States, NGOs, UN entities, refugee voices, Multilateral Development Banks, academics, data specialists, private sector

Roles and responsibilities:

- □ Provide advice and guidance, particularly on the work program
- Share experience and expertise through discussion and information sharing
- Advocate and influence on behalf of the Center
- Disseminate information about the Center's products and services



Part II. Elements of a work program for 2020



Five areas of work

- 1. Support the strengthening of the global data collection system
- 2. Strengthen microdata collection and analysis
- 3. Enhance existing data management
- 4. Stimulate innovation
- Establish partnerships and create space for knowledge- sharing



1. Support the strengthening of the global data collection system (normative definitions, standards)

- Support the last stages of the Expert Group on Refugee and IDP Statistics (EGRIS) work in producing International Recommendations on Refugee and IDP Statistics
- Help with the roll out of the recommendations and support implementation at country level with National Statistical Offices
- Support the development of training modules e.g. on data collection in forced displacement situations for national authorities, key stakeholders; or on data cleaning, curation and anonymization
- Support the development of a methodology for measuring the impact of hosting, protecting and assisting refugees
- Support the collection of data to assess progress in implementing the Global Compact on Refugees
- Contribute to the design of a methodology to collect relevant data on refugee policies in host countries



2. Strengthen microdata collection and analysis

- Support poverty assessments and sample surveys of forcibly displaced and host communities in e.g. Uganda, Kenya, Pakistan, Venezuela-crisis, Lebanon, Bangladesh
- Support studies generating socio-economic data on stateless people, e.g. Shona (Kenya)
- Design a flagship report using the multi-country poverty assessments of refugees and host communities, such as possibly a Africa Regional Study drawing on regionally harmonized data sets
- Support improvements to existing refugee registration systems (PRIMES) so they generate more socio-economic data



3. Enhance existing data management

- Support the development of a UNHCR open data policy, including definition of protocols for data privacy, anonymization and access to data
- Enhance existing microdata library platforms, for non-live, curated and anonymized survey data
- Prepare, curate and anonymize country data sets from UNHCR proGres data base for use in the forthcoming microdata library and eventual wider use
- Develop cooperation and data exchange protocols with key actors, such as OCHA, IOM, IDMC and others



4. Stimulate innovation

- Explore the options for delivery of Geographic Information System (GIS) and Geo-enabling initiatives for monitoring and supervision (GEMS) to map refugee support activities as well as key socio economic assets relevant to refugees and host communities.
- Launch an "innovative technologies" initiative around a selected theme, such as predictive analytics for population flows
- Support the development of machine learning tool to extract relevant information on forced displacement from sources such as UN entities, the World Bank, OECD, Regional Development Banks
- Other innovations?



5. Establish partnerships and create space for knowledge-sharing

- Annual JDC Strategic Advisory Council
- Inauguration of the Center by the UN Secretary-General. October 10
- Spotlight session on data at the Global Refugee Forum, December 17-18
- Major research conference on forced displacement data. First edition on January 17-18, co-hosted by Brown and Harvard University and the World Bank research department.
- Monthly Forcibly Displaced Literature Reviews
- JDC Fellowship Program for researchers and scholars







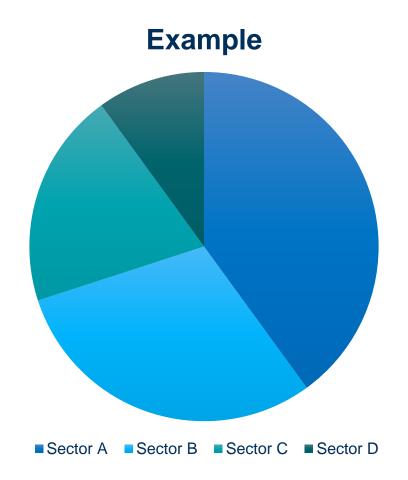




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