



Co-sponsorship meetings groups

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Jobs and livelihoods

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1. Introduction to the role of the co-sponsorship group

Less than half a year to organize the Forum. This is your Forum.

Hope to have a way where your voice is represented.

Some stakeholders have confirmed their co-sponsorship and will see their names on our website, grateful to indicate if you are an observer or a confirmed status at this stage on the signing sheet in the room. If you confirmed, please indicate your authorization to put your name on our website.

2. Review 3 to 5 key outcomes to achieve

3 areas of pledging – not final areas and non-exhaustive list:

- 1) Legal framework (changing the framework around livelihoods, economic inclusion, in countries of asylum or return and other examples in the legal area)
- 2) Private investment (for creating an added value in the communities)
- 3) Development investment (facilitating first and second categories, including de-risking)

Many pledges can be in one or several of these categories.

Desired outcomes:

- I. Economic inclusion
- II. Job creation (for refugees and host communities)
- III. Local economic growth, not only in terms of jobs but also in terms of Gross Domestic Product and cash flow
- IV. Enhanced protection, for example in the labor force
- V. Preparation for solutions, having a better income and economic inclusion might be a way to prepare solutions, training to support returnees for instance, securing financial history, financial inclusion



Open to add anything you would like to add on pledges and outcomes.
Is there willingness to focus on one of those desired outcomes, in order to start the group?

3. Mapping to see where you see your place to identify outcomes where co-sponsors would like to engage

Romania

Not yet confirming co-sponsorship but we would like to know more on private and development investment.

France

Confirmed co-sponsoring Energy and still thinking on Education etc., we try to convince private sector to pledge by themselves, not with France. What is your opinion on that?

EU

Exploring options.

Denmark

Exploring options.

Observers officially in Solutions and Burden- and responsibility-sharing

Would like to have guidance, is it necessary to pledge in all the thematic areas?

Netherlands

Confirms co-sponsor Jobs and livelihoods with subtheme on mental health and psychological support and think on Protection Capacity.

Too early to say area of interest but interest in partnership, with ILO for instance and we are currently outreaching with our private sector in the Netherlands to get their inputs.

Looking at refugee participation.

Act Alliance

A network of faith-based organization.

Try to get a sense of areas of pledging.

Particular member engagement on subtheme 1 on legal frameworks – many community-based livelihoods programmes, working for inclusion of marginalised groups, including refugees.

International Council of Voluntary Agencies

Observer. Actively looking into the co-sponsorship role. Particular interest in Burden- and responsibility- sharing, Solutions and Protection capacity themes.

World Bank

Need to all get behind policy objectives – to be aligned – see experience with IDA 18 sub window.

International Rescue Committee

Confirmed co-sponsorship on Jobs and livelihoods with 3 subthemes:



- Carry out research on women's economic empowerment, barriers and challenges that women face in Kenya, Germany and Nigeria.
- Financial inclusion, carry out research in Mexico, Jordan, Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, looking into financial lives of displaced populations and design a more client responsive programs.
- Partnership with private sector, showcase with the Business Refugee Action Network (BRAN).
- We would like to draw attention to forgotten crisis also, e.g. in Sahel.

International Organization for Migration

Still exploring.

Good neighbors international

Conform co-sponsoring of Jobs and livelihoods, focus on peaceful co-existence and harmony between refugees/host communities plus market approach.

We are a new actor, we would like to champion new best practices.

World Health Organization

Confirmed co-sponsoring on health. Interested in mental health and psychological support and protection or integration of health care workers into national health system or protection of healthcare workers.

International Labor Organization

Confirmed co-sponsor on jobs and livelihoods.

We are strong on Legal framework, i.e. work permits; interested in on economic inclusion, job creation and private investment.

Partnership is really worth.

Enhance protection is a cross-cutting solutions for refugees – also their protection in the workplace, contribution to social inclusion as well.

Canada

Co-sponsoring Solutions.

Observers for the other themes.

Any pledges we make will be coherent with the other themes.

Interested in supporting different themes, for instance on gender.

Turkey

Co-convenor of the Forum.

Interested in Education.

Will be active through providing or sharing good examples. For Jobs and livelihoods, had good practices template already filled in Turkey with ILO, IOM, EU for instance.

Looking at contributions to other themes.

Japan

Observer at this point.

Co-sponsor confirmed in nexus under Burden- and Responsibility-sharing.



Might share good practices.

Republic of Korea

Observer

Iceland

Observer

United Kingdom

Confirmed co-sponsoring of Burden and Responsibility-sharing.

Interest in Solutions and resettlement particularly.

Sharing best practices.

Cyprus

Interest in Jobs and livelihoods and Education.

Malta

Observer

Pakistan

Observer and interested in Solutions, Education and Burden- and Responsibility-sharing

Croatia

Observer and interested in Jobs and livelihoods and empowering women.

Portugal

Observer and interested in Education and showing good practices in education with Syrian students especially.

Slovak Republic

Observer and interested in Jobs and livelihoods and Education and the interlink between the two themes.

Australia

Observer, transition government at the moment. Considering options to pledges and co-sponsor.

Food and Agriculture Organization

Co-sponsor Jobs and livelihoods under the sub-theme legal framework, access to natural resources for refugees particularly lands.

Interest in development investment also supporting value chain investment in different countries.

World Food Programme

Observer



Sweden

Observer and interested in Jobs and livelihoods including female empowerment and skills and development and private partnership.

Interested in ways to mainstream gender equality and disability.

Women's Refugee Commission

Co-sponsor Protection capacity under age, gender, diversity (AGD) and youth lens.

Planning with the Gender team of the University of North South Wales to work on a 'Tip-Sheet' paper to make sure that AGD is included in pledges

Venezuela

Observer, waiting for instructions from the capital.

Peru

Observer

Switzerland

Interest in Education, Jobs and livelihoods and Solutions.

Support refugee participation.

Organization for Economic and Cooperation and Development - Online

Observer. Jobs and livelihoods are core areas of our work, interested in data load, including refugee women and refugee entrepreneurship.

UNHCR summary of stakeholder areas of interest:

We have five sub categories: women empowerment, financial inclusion, peaceful co-existence, trainings and skills development, entrepreneurship.

Many points on sub-themes, participation of refugees also came several times and the area of best practices and the importance of policies.

Questions et comments

France

A question on desired outcomes, it is relevant to add 4 and 5 outcomes? Are we going to pledge in the five sub-categories? Enhanced protection and preparation for solutions are quite large and cross-cutting – is it relevant to include them? Are we expecting pledges for all of these?

Denmark

Should we all choose one co-sponsorship group, or engage everywhere? e.g. development investment, where does it fit?

UNHCR

Yes, these are more overarching, but all themes need to be reinforced with the protection language because we don't want to see refugees in ten years being exploited. Language around 'decent work' rather 'work' is important, 'enhance protection' rather than 'protection'.



Development investment will be in many other themes indeed.

Useful to group many interests to have a coherent theme, show impact with pledges around one objective, try to identify some concrete areas as a group.

One of the jobs of the co-sponsorship group will be to define and refine area of pledges.

The best pledges are the pledges that gather the three areas in one shot, helping to release pledging as a way of taking on different areas of interest, group them in a strategic way. In December, we want pledges that build a coherent narrative, can tell a better story working towards a common objective.

All pledges should be comprehensive, but some may be more targeted.

Example on legal framework, do we want to encourage development investment that include women empowerment?

Good neighbors international

When we invest in Education for example, what is the link with Education and cross-cutting theme. How will we work on cross-cutting themes?

UNHCR

UNHCR will have an overview to address that, to avoid overlapping.

4. Responsibilities of the co-sponsorship group

- Advise on the development of the High-level ministerial session devoted to the six thematic areas and side-events.

This will be an opportunity to showcase pledges, show what the others are doing, how to engage refugees. Idea is to be organized in different panels: traditional, roundtable, TEDtalks, Davos style, online video, dialogue speaking panels on Jobs and livelihoods. We would like refugees, donors, and you invite several multi-stakeholders. There are many different ways to intervene.

Powerful to show what works, show how the GCR work in the field.

Everyone sees opportunities, depending on your capabilities.

We are looking for good practices that we can broaden, replicate in other context, inspire for future contributions.

We hope that co-sponsors will encourage others to make pledges and contributions, share good practices and communicate key messages.

If we can find a particular example based on good practices, the High-level session can be used to bring to ministers involved in good practices or bring refugees that are benefiting from those. **Looking for your advice on what it can look like.**

You can think on the High-level session as a success story about a donor or a refugee; You can spotlight events, for examples Jobs and livelihoods and the Poverty Alleviation Coalition. We would like two spotlights sessions on the thematic area, find who is a good speaker on that, how it can look like.

- Focus on priorities for mobilization of contributions and identification of good practices. **How would you like to mobilize on this theme? Would you like a multi-stakeholder pledge?**



- Develop and communicate key messages, develop and implement work plan. **How you would like to engage, and the next meeting will be more focused on priorities and how to move forward.**
- Develop and implement a work plan for the next few months, the key themes you want to work on.
You can bring more actors to the table.

Questions and comments

International Organization for Migration

You envision a booklet, a pamphlet where you will track progress on each pledge. How the pledges will be documented?

You highlight the importance on mobilizing pledges and mobilize others. A good example of the private sector mobilized. How would it be documented?

UNHCR

There will be an outcome documents with the details of the pledges.

In a process to develop some tools on how we can follow-up pledges, link with the digital platform. Once it is finished, it will be share with all of you. **Welcoming your feedback on it when we present the outcome documents structure.**

Have strategic outcomes and be focused how we will bring this all together, we didn't want to have a coordination structure at this stage.

After the Forum, it will be **up to each actor to decide how they will follow-up**, for instance by forming a "group of friends" or any other form.

You can be a co-sponsor as part of a broad alliance.

Hope that everybody will encourage to pledge and bring more actors to the table – it is a **kind of advocacy role**; this will be reflected in the report. Good practices will be reflected too.

How to cascade this at regional level. The role of co-sponsors will be that to use/mobilize our own networks.

International Rescue Committee

How to engage host countries?

Today except Pakistan and Turkey, host countries are not present in the room for instance.

UNHCR

We will have a discussion with stakeholders not present at one point.

Start engaging with host countries and UNHCR will be able to coordinate and find "good deal". **We are working on who is missing and how we will work on that.**

Good neighbors international

Could you please confirm who will contribute to pledges and good practices?

UNHCR



On our [website](#) you can have the answer.

France

As a co-sponsor it is our role to convince the other stakeholders.

Act alliance

Do you have plan on how the group should progress?

UNHCR

At some points the communication will be done more electronically.

We will have to figure out how to balance those who confirmed and those who are observers.

Plus, if the group is **not well balanced**, for instance no private sector, **we will have to work together on how to bring the private sector**.

Croatia

For small countries, it is something new.

We will focus on Health and Education.

Pledges might not be for a longer term, so how does it work?

As a small country we cannot pledge for the long-term – we may not be able to do strategic annual pledging – so can we still be co-sponsor?

Maybe in one year we might co-sponsor empowering women, next year on children with disabilities, etc. Is this possible?

UNHCR

Now we are looking at the period between now and December so support and push other to be a co-sponsor, countries and organizations to make pledges on Jobs and livelihoods and be co-sponsor, it is logical but not obligatory.

Show political will and support others in pledges.

After December, we will see if you want to keep it as a group or change the group. Not defined at this stage.

5. Next steps

Brainstorm on what to focus on for the next meetings.

Important to be much more **prepared on the content**. Get some clarity on **what we can offer, what is the plan, are we going to mobilize private sector, are we mobilizing bilateral branch, etc.**

We would like a follow-up before the end of July, meaning the second co-sponsorship group meeting will be at the end of July.

Energy and infrastructure

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UNHCR

1. Introduction to the role of the co-sponsorship group

Think of sub-themes: wash, connectivity, shelter, health, energy (cooking / electrification), environment.

Energy and infrastructure are a diverse topic.

2. Review 3 to 5 key outcomes to achieve

1) Project management

We have in common: project management – need of capital expenditure.

We need pledges on projects management, e.g. in Kenya, Djibouti, Uganda, Iraq, Bangladesh, Rwanda.

In Rwanda for example, it was decided to ban all firewood so there was a need to find cooking solution immediately.

Niger has been active on promoting liquified petroleum gas.

We want to support a multi-stakeholder approach to finding solutions.

UNHCR is in charge of camps, where it is easier to implement energy and infrastructure. In cities it is more challenging, so it is easier to focus on camps first rather cities.

Contact your embassies and see where opportunities are, see what you can do with private sectors too. What is the interest of your government?

2) Data

Can we work with knowledge institutions? To create a pipeline of projects.

3) Vision

How can we link refugees into national system? So that no parallel system is created.

Refugees need the right. Linking refugees to national solutions, e.g. linking refugee camp to energy grid, including references in national health system, no parallel system.

Need your thoughts on the High-level event.

Last Friday we had one session on working together with companies at the UNHCR-NGO Annual Consultations, just NGOs, there were only fourteen people present. There are so many perspectives and topics with this topic.



3. Mapping to see where you see your place to identify outcomes where co-sponsors want to engage

Norway

Co-sponsor Energy and infrastructure.
Norway will be happy to share good practices too.

Uganda

Observer. Important topic because we are not only a big host country of refugees but our life experiences is challenging as well.

Australia

Observer

Slovak Republic

Observer. It is a cross-cutting topic.

Luxembourg

One of the three topic that we are following with great interest.

The United Nations Children's Fund

Observer but will give an answer by the end of the week to pledges and share good practices.

International Organization for Migration

Observer

United Kingdom

Observer
We are co-chairing adaptation and resilience workstream with Ethiopia.

Iceland

Observer. Interest in WASH, we have a pilot project in Uganda
More focus on humanitarian aid rather than development.

Republic of Korea

Observer

Japan

Observer. We co-sponsor another topic but we will probably share good practices on Energy and infrastructure

Turkey

Already declared our co-convener role.
Open to share good practices on the topic

Spain

Observer. We are involved in camp projects that include private sector.



Czech Republic

Observer and interested in health and health care for children in some countries like Iraq. We might share good practices on Energy and infrastructure.

Canada

Co-sponsor Solutions; we would like coherence with the different focus.

Great example that we can build on, for instance Zataari camp or a business case from Danish Refugee Council.

International Committee of the Red Cross has a good example of solar panel used in Gaza.

World Health Organization

Will pledge on health and we have interest that infrastructures do not get destroyed.

We can share good practices, bring technical expertise.

Food and Agriculture Organization

Co-sponsor Energy and infrastructure. Interested in sharing best practices.

Jobs and livelihoods are linked with clean cooking and sustainable bio-energy in humanitarian settings. Plus, link with the environment, soil maintenance that we are doing in Bangladesh for instance.

Developing the demand of clean energy, e.g. our project in Gaza with solar energy.

World Bank

Observer. Critical issues for host countries. We want to see how we can collectively reply.

Venezuela

Observer. Waiting for instruction from the capital.

Act alliance

Observer. Some of our members are very involved in Energy and infrastructure field.

International Council of Voluntary Agencies

Observer and interested in co-sponsoring Solutions, Protection capacity and/or Burden- and Responsibility sharing at this stage.

Netherlands

Jobs and livelihoods co-sponsor.

Interest in infrastructure and refugee participation.

Denmark

Observer. Understand the camp focus but the goal of the GCR is to go out from camps.

Danish Refugee Council has good examples of business initiative.

EU

Observer



France

Co-sponsor the theme.

Croatia

Observer

Peru

Observer

UNHCR

Happy that Uganda is here as a host country.

One of the key areas is green response.

How to get development actors into the humanitarian field?

4. Responsibilities of the co-sponsorship group

See above.

Main focus is priority by mobilizing greater support, organize a particular event, organize a side event, an event.

This priority should be grounded with specific focus at regional level.

The group will play an advocacy role on the priority and mobilizing at regional level.

5. Next steps

For the next meeting: we would like to **find priorities and have a work plan for the coming months. We needed to do a mapping process first.**

Questions and comments

France

Let's pledge and see how we can mobilize to have five, six cross regional projects to equip camp with green cooking solutions.

The project management part is important for us. Energy is important too.

Our pledge will be very concrete, we will equip five, six camps with green responses.

Canada

Concerned about the timing and the time needed for donors to approve programs.

Luxembourg

Is there any UNHCR learning on that from a global perspective? Organization learning? Or a project base management?

UNHCR

Projects is the approach to GRF and we need to invest in data.

If we don't lead on knowledge, we will miss out a lot of opportunities.



We will plan another group meeting and we will use the signing sheet to gather a second meeting.

Next meeting: More depth of common priorities and see opportunities, review the list of people today and see who we can actively invite including host countries, **welcome your ideas through any communication you want, meetings but also telephone and e-mails.**

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Education

- Panelists: Ms. Perveen Ali and Ms. Ita Sheehy, Senior Education Advisor, Division of Resilience and Solutions, UNHCR

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Many key strategies, 3 areas but non exhaustive:

- Inclusion (strategy to bring children in national system).
- Tertiary education (commit to increasing access to accredited tertiary education and skills training and eliminating systematic policy barriers).
- Emergency response (to strengthen local education systems and support hosting communities to facilitate refugee inclusion).

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Save the children

Confirmed co-sponsor in Education. We will produce a short briefing paper to catch areas where we can work collectively.

International Council of Voluntary Agencies

Observer and interested in co-sponsoring Burden- and responsibility-sharing, Protection capacity and/or Solutions but all 6 themes are cross-cutting, that is why we are present today.

Global education cluster

Interested in the topic.



UNICEF

Confirmed co-sponsoring, interested in refugee children inclusion into national systems.

Norway

Confirmed co-sponsoring Education, not with leading role though.

France

Still considering the option.

Switzerland

Interest in Emergency response outcome.

Pakistan

Observer

United Kingdom

Observer and missions to share.

Sweden

Confirmed co-sponsorship with the angle of an inclusive education with disability and gender equality mainstreaming, looking for connection with Jobs and livelihoods theme and statelessness angle too.

Peru

Observer

Turkey

Waiting for final instructions, we have many good examples from Turkey, and we would like to focus on higher education.

Canada

Observer, gender equality and refugee participation lens are important.

Republic of Moldova

Observer

Algeria

Confirmed co-sponsorship of Education.
Interested in allowing access to children in national system.

Qatar

Observer

Croatia

Observer and confirmed co-sponsorship on Jobs and livelihoods.



Bulgaria

Observer

Slovakia

Observer and interested in tertiary education.

Legal education

Confirmed co-sponsorship. Interest in early child development, particularly holistic child development.

European Union

Observer and interested in emergency response.

Plan international

Confirmed co-sponsorship with focus on inclusion and emergency response and on disability and gender equality, access to tertiary education for girls.

Luxembourg

Observer and interested in Burden- and Responsibility-sharing

Liechtenstein

Observer

Denmark

Observer and interested in Solution and Burden- and Responsibility-sharing.

Germany

Would like to be a co-sponsor, lot of interest in co-sponsor and showing good practices on refugee education in Germany. We are also thinking to have a side event.

Welcome the fact that UNHCR introduced the Albert Einstein German Academic Refugee Initiative (DAFI) students at the Forum.

It will be important to determine the way we work together and having virtual meetings.

Republic of Korea

Observer and interested in girls' education.

Iran

Observer. We have a history of hosting Afghan refugees, providing education services and having good examples of good practices.

Australia

Observer and interested in cross-cutting issues around gender equality, disability and statelessness.



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Japan

Observer and interested in sharing good practices.

Spain

Observer and interested in Solutions.

Iceland

Observer

Thailand

Observer and interested in Education and Solutions.

World Bank

Observer

Cyprus

Observer and interested in Jobs and livelihoods and Education co-sponsor.

Plan International Norway - online

Confirm co-sponsorship.

Amal alliance - online

Observer and interested in child development, mental health and psychological support.

Education needs international - online

Interested in building capacity to support refugee children and youth skills

Save the children – online

We can provide more details on our co-sponsorship.

Church Aid in Helsinki - online

Observer. Our organization is focused on Education in emergency response.

Inter-Agency Network for Education in Emergencies – online

Confirm co-sponsorship of Education through webinars maybe.

Organization for Economic and Cooperation Development – online

Observer and interested in inclusion

Global partnership education – online

Observer and interested in inclusion and national education system. We collaborated with UNHCR over the past few years.

Syrian refugee and student in United Kingdom, a UNHCR supporter – online

Observer and interested in the three topics.



Global fund for education in emergency crisis - online

Confirm co-sponsorship, with a focus on support inclusion, access and emergency response. Interested in first reception.

World Bank – online

Happy to support the GRF.

Education foundation – online

Interested in co-sponsoring.

Asia Pacific Refugee Rights Network – online

Our network is composed of more than four hundred members.

Co-sponsoring Education, interested in strengthening inclusion in systems in Asia region.

Refugee Education Trust (RET) – online

Observer. Considering Solutions theme.

Interested in girls and women education, tertiary education, skills and higher education, education pathways.

Plan international HQ - online

We will be strongly focused on integrating gender equality and amplifying girls' education in crisis.

Global youth advisory – online

Interested in girls' education.

UNICEF – online

Confirmed co-sponsor.

UNHCR

A lot of focus on gender, girls, disability. Encouraging to see this interest.

UNHCR will have to manage this broad alliance to work most effectively together in arrangements and different areas of influence within your own networks and your own areas.

We have concrete offers like from Save the children with a plan. Those pledges are embedded within your network.

Questions on level of engagement, what it means to co-sponsor?

It depends on your organization.

There are worries about workload, part of questions and comments that we can discuss.

4. Responsibilities of the co-sponsorship group

See above



5. Next steps

One day workshop all together on **23 July** to move forward, see where to go, the pathway and the work plan.

Questions and comments

Pakistan

Can we have a short background paper on the areas in need?

UNHCR

We need to map the needs and should have a plan with achievements where we want to be in four years. We will decide it during the workshop on 23 July.

For country level engagement, coherence is important and see how everybody can engage.

We are identifying refugee participation in all the six thematic groups and we hope to have more and more refugees involved.

Norway

Is there any plan to integrate GRF side events during the ExCom week?

UNHCR

We have to consult UNHCR colleagues regarding ExCom.

An informal GRF briefing on tools and other topics is scheduled at the Palais des Nations during the first week of September (date tbc).

Switzerland

Will a pledge template will be used? That might be helpful to pledges.

UNHCR

We are accepting all spectrum of pledges; this is more an opened discussion on the pledges.

Australia

Interested in gender equality and disability focus.

Some organizations will be providing a guidance note on commitments and how we can provide technical expertise on gender.

Solutions

- Panelists: Ms Perveen Ali and Mr. Mamadou Dian Balde, Deputy Director Division of Resilience and Solutions, and Mr. Emad Aziz, Senior Resettlement Officer, Division of International Protection



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UNHCR

I. Resettlement solutions

We see GRF as a tool, a platform to achieving the 3-year resettlement and complementary pathways strategy.

It is clear that the strategy has actions and areas that we can continue to work beyond three years.

We envision to have 1 Million of resettlement by 2028 and 2 Million admitted through complementary pathway.

The three dimensions of the vision:

- More actors, meaning new countries for resettlement (29 countries only accepted resettlement last year).
- More places, more resettlement opportunities.
- Better protection and quality.

The vision drives three outcomes:

- More actors.
- Engaging new actors.
- Financial and technical support.
- Engagement of an expanded range of stakeholders in resettlement and complementary pathways.

More places mean:

- Expanding the size of existing programs.
- Establishing or expanding complementary pathways.
- Facilitating refugees' access to complementary pathways.

Better protection and quality mean:

- Expanding diversity and responsiveness of programs including through the establishment of urgent/emergency/processing.
- Support refugee integration.



- Complementary pathways including protection safeguards and solutions oriented.

II. Local integration, reintegration and repatriation solutions

Areas of pledging:

1. Promote enabling conditions for voluntary and dignified repatriation and return.
2. Support countries of origin to receive and reintegrate returnees.
3. Support returning refugees and internally displaced people.
4. Promote laws and policies enabling local integration and local solutions.
5. Support local integration and local initiatives.

Desired outcomes:

1. Return in safety and dignity
2. Sustainable reintegration.
3. Successful integration.

3. Mapping to see where you see your place to identify outcomes where co-sponsors like to engage

Act Alliance

Observer

International Council of Voluntary Agencies

Observer

International Rescue Committee

Almost confirmed to co-sponsor the theme.

Build on of experience as a contributor in resettlement, we are thinking on engaging communities, incorporating volunteers and partners in jobs for refugees.

A second aspect on resettlement that we are considering: urban dimension of resettlement.

Netherlands

Confirmed co-sponsorship on Jobs and livelihoods with focus on mental health and psychological support, and refugee participation.

Norway

Co-sponsoring Solutions without having a leading role, we work closely with our Minister of Justice.

Interested in refugees labor market inclusion.

France

Observer. Confirmed co-sponsor on Energy and infrastructure.

Switzerland

Observer. Interested in pledge on resettlement



Pakistan

Observer

Australia

Observer

Sweden

Confirmed co-sponsor with a focus on resettlement.

Peru

Observer

Turkey

Observer and interested in good examples that Turkey can share, a tangible way in Burden- and Responsibility-sharing. One example in youth project in Turkey with UNICEF including social inclusion and cultural activities, understanding of different cultures. We are thinking on focusing on youth.

Morocco

Would like to take part in Solutions and would like to organize a side event. We would like to present good practices also.

United Kingdom

Wait for a confirmation next week and very interested in resettlement. We co-chaired the Annual Tripartite Consultations on Resettlement this year. Importance to not duplicate. Voluntary repatriation is an important topic. Focus on disability and refugee participation.

Algeria

Confirmed co-sponsoring of Solution and interested in voluntary repatriation.

Croatia

Observer

Danish Refugee Council

Interested in co-sponsor with a focus on employment youth and empowerment, livelihoods, capacity building and private sector engagement.

Australia

Observer and interested in resettlement.

European Union

Observer

Togo

Interested in Solutions and to share experiences of local integration and local initiatives.



Venezuela

Observer

International Catholic Migration Commission

Observer, representing child's rights connect. Interested in child rights in all the themes.

Denmark

Observer waiting for the approval of our new Prime Minister, interested in voluntary repatriation and local solutions.

Argentina

Confirmed co-sponsor on Solutions

Lebanon

Observer and interested in repatriation.

Indonesia

Observer

Iran

Observer

Japan

Observer

Spain

Observer

Spain – online

Will probably co-sponsor resettlement, integration will be our subtheme.

Iceland

Observer and interested in co-sponsoring this theme, share best practices and experiences in resettlement with our recent program.

Thailand

Observer and interested in voluntary repatriation of displaced people from Myanmar.

Canada

Confirmed co-sponsor on Solutions particularly resettlement and complementary pathways.

Brazil

Observer

UNHCR conclusions

- Comprehensive dimension of solutions, not one solution against the other solution.



- Emphasize of voluntariness.
- Refugee participation.

Be as concrete as possible with the 3-year resettlement and complementary pathways strategy.

It depends of the willingness of people and countries own interest in including refugees in their countries.

Plus, we know that some host countries absent in the room will have to be engaged.

Be comprehensive.

The linkage between local integration and reintegration are close, so not a compartmentalized approach but a comprehensive manner.

5. Next steps

Importance to crystallize an initial view and meet again in 2 or 3 weeks to go deeper.

Questions & comments

Sweden

Solutions is also part of Protection capacity so how will you synergize the cross-cutting themes? How will you avoid duplication?

Danish Refugee Council

Solutions is a broad topic, how we engage in the other area, for example livelihoods. We need guidance form UNHCR.

How we work with actors that have similar or different views?

Norway

How will you include refugees in the Forum process?

UNHCR

Resettlement is a protection tool.

Idea of comprehensive approach.

We will ensure coherence with our colleagues; we will make sure we don't have duplication.

We are thinking on how to engage refugee participation, see how refugees can co-sponsor, plus, we are supporting Danish Refugee Council efforts in their outreach to bring refugees' voices during the Forum. We welcome other ideas and recommendations.

France

Being a co-sponsor means that you need to pledge?

UNHCR

Co-sponsor means you can pledge, you can bring contributions, showing good practices and encouraging other stakeholders to be involved.



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Burden- and responsibility-sharing

- Panelists: Mr. Daniel Endres, Director of the Global Refugee Forum, Ms. Perveen Ali, Head of the Global Refugee Forum Coordination Team

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- 1. Introduction to the role of the co-sponsorship group and 2. Review 3 to 5 key outcomes to achieve**

The theme reflects the global solidarity of the GCR.

Five themes

1. Funding and the effective and efficient use of resources

Through strengthening the humanitarian-development (H-D) nexus in refugee responses, expanding the base of financing beyond traditional donors, and identifying opportunities to continue maximizing the quality, effectiveness, and efficiency of funding.

Easing pressure of hosting countries, using the H-D nexus in particular in support of host countries.

We also want to go beyond thirty to thirty-five countries who are really committed to refugees. We want to broaden the number of countries involved.

We want to look at good funding mechanisms that exist.

How can we make the H-D nexus more impactful?

When we talk of development, we need to talk about bilateral mechanisms, regional approaches and agencies such as the World Bank.

2. Regional and sub regional approaches

To protect, assist, and find solutions for refugee situations and galvanize support for host communities.

For instance, regional mechanisms in areas such as Afghanistan, Iran and Pakistan.

IGAD collaboration in East and Horn Africa.

These are regional mechanisms.

3. Establishment of support platform, for at least two refugee situations

How can we bring more coherent and support for situation as such as South Sudan and Somalia?



MIRPS already declared itself as a support platform in line with the Compact.
Another situation such as Venezuela and Bangladesh.

4. The more we bring actors, the more we will need reliable and comparable data.

The real important part is to link humanitarian data with development, one important instrument will be the WB-UNHCR Joint Data Center.

5. Prevention and addressing root causes

Japan for instance has a long history with the triple nexus, important to see how we can concretely support it from grass root levels.

Prevention is the most desirable engagement, even if it is difficult to address.

In line with ongoing efforts in the areas of prevention, peace, security, sustainable development, migration and peacebuilding.

3. Mapping to see where you see your place to identify outcomes where co-sponsors like to engage

Iran

Most important issues are on responsibility-sharing. Still waiting for an update from capital.

Germany

Not yet a co-sponsor, we would be interested in the support platform. We first of all want to listen the discussion.

Interested in root causes, Berlin has independent experts on root causes and could bring their knowledge.

International Council of Voluntary Agencies

Observer

Islamic Relief Worldwide

Interested in root cause and keen to work together to support any efforts on GRF to focus on peace, solidarity.

Concretely interested in mental health and children on the move.

Ecuador

Observer, thinking to co-sponsor this theme.

World Bank

We hope to showcase the early work with the Joint Data Center.

International Organization for Migration

Observer

Egypt

Interested in prevention and addressing root causes through the triple nexus.

Interested in the first theme.



Context of African Union development policy.

Issue of timely data is important also due to officially registered and not registered refugees. Keen on the “one refugee approach” also, only one refugees category in Egypt, all receiving similar humanitarian support.

United States of America

Observer. Broadening the donor base is important, supporting countries from MIRPS, showing data is important, and see how we will support the Joint Data Center.

Spain

Observer and big interest in this theme.

United Kingdom

Co-sponsor this theme, with a focus on mobilizing funding and resources.

We need to think about multi-year financing, linking humanitarian and development.

How we use data to make sure we support people in need?

Accountability is also important.

On data, support link to the Joint Data Center.

Look at regional support platforms.

European Union

Observer

Turkey

Co-convener, we will coordinate co-sponsorship.

We will share good examples on the support platforms and contribute on Solutions.

Palestine

Observer

Pakistan

Observer. We have a long history of responsibility-sharing and have good practices to showcase.

Costa Rica

Co-convener and we are very interested in this theme.

Luxembourg

Observer

Japan

Co-sponsor, we focus on the nexus approach related to several subthemes.

Denmark

Observer and interested in all the subthemes.



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Slovak Republic

Observer and interested in prevention.

Indonesia

Observer

Canada

Observer. We do see the importance of the theme.

France

Observer and interested in data.

Sweden

Observer and interested in funding resources.

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development - online

Observer

Organization for Economic and Cooperation Development – online

Observer and interested in effectiveness and use of resources and in data workstream.

Global refugee-led network online

Observer and interested in regional approaches.

United Nation Development Programme

Interested in co-sponsoring on triple nexus.

Working on an initial concept note.

UNHCR conclusions

It is the central theme for the Forum.

We have now a solid basis for collaboration.

Broadening the base, bringing quality funding, data is central.

There is interest in the triple nexus, a 'fashion' theme. Important to not do another workshop with key concepts but have a Forum on how we can support refugees and host communities.

5. Next steps

Second meeting on the last week of July (date tbc).

Comments and questions

Islamic Relief Worldwide

Are there pledges around root causes in the agenda?

UNHCR

For the inclusion and solidarity, we are thinking to put it on day 2 in the agenda.



Costa Rica

Why support platforms and regional approaches are separated?

UNHCR

Could be considered together, as one, if everybody agrees.

United Kingdom

It would be good to have the agenda in advance so capitals can get organized.

Indonesia

How to move forward? For instance, those who are interested in the six themes.

Regarding key messages developed, how it will work? How will the co-sponsors work together in the thematic area?

UNHCR

We envision key messaging for all the thematic areas.

For the multi-stakeholder pledges, need to be discussed at the next meeting.

Hope that key host countries will significantly support.

Egypt

What is the timeline of the next meeting?

UNHCR

Next meeting will be end of July.

We will also share with all of you the findings of the next meeting considering potential absenteeism due to holiday period.

11 July 2019

Protection capacity

- Panelists: Mr. Daniel Endres, Director of the Global Refugee Forum, Ms. Perveen Ali, Head of the Global Refugee Forum Coordination Team and Ms. Shahrzad Tadjbakhsh, Deputy Director, Division of International Protection, UNHCR. Accompanied by Mr. Perikles Kortsaris and Ms. Amanda(?)

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Vision: Strong institutions and capacities that can enable and enhance refugee protection and the well-being of host communities with the support from a range of actors.

We want to show earlier positive change about policies in refugee protection and resilience.

2. Review 3 to 5 key outcomes to achieve

- Enhanced emergency preparedness and response: enhance capacities in emergency preparedness and response by contributing technical expertise, appropriate tools and priority resources for effective risk analysis, early warning, contingency planning, reception and admission. For instance, getting pledges from both sides from support in establishing open reception transit area that are AGD sensitive.
- Legal and policy frameworks: opportunity to pledge in refugee rights are promoted and incorporated in relevant legislation and policy directives (e.g. labor, social protection, freedom of movement); the 1951 Convention/1967 Protocol as well as 1954 and/or Convention (statelessness) are ratified/acceded, reservations are removed and national legislations are in place.
- Strong protection institutions: strengthen national capacities for civil registration and documentation, social welfare, specialized protection services, justice, safety and security. For instance, commitment to access for refugees to civil documents.
Vision: change policy, inclusive policy.
- Better asylum capacity: support the Asylum Capacity Support Group (ACSG) to ensure national asylum/RSD systems are put in place and operate with fairness, efficiency, adaptability and integrity.
- Participation and inclusion: support refugee-led initiatives and, when programming responses to refugee situations, ensure participation, inclusion, accountability to and empowerment of refugee communities and individuals as well as of those hosting them, with and AGD (including disability) lens.
With the idea of people centered, a broad idea but a very important idea for us.

3. Mapping to see where you see your place to identify outcomes where co-sponsors would like to engage

Pakistan

Observer and interested in strong protection institutions.

International council of voluntary agencies

Observer and interested in co-sponsoring the theme.

Islamic Relief Worldwide

Observer and interested in children on the move.



World Vision

Interested in co-sponsoring. Focus on vulnerable group that will cover women and children.

Terre des Hommes

Observer

Save the children

Co-chair of Child Rights Coalition. Interested in child rights.

Croatia

Observer, interested in inclusion.

Bulgaria

Observer

Finland

Co-sponsoring, with a disability inclusion lens.

United Kingdom

Observer

Brazil

Observer. Under Protection capacity we are considering many frameworks including social welfare, ASGC, protection institutions with disability inclusion.

United Nations Children Funds

Child protection interest.

Spain

Observer. Solutions will be the most likely that we will co-sponsor.
Interested in including vulnerable group, LGBTI, people with disability.

European Union

Observer

Denmark

Observer. The first group with an AGD lens, which is very important for us.

Canada

Observer

Australia

Observer. Interested in resettlement integration, capacity building, education and health lens, gender-based violence lens.



International detention coalition

Almost confirmed as co-sponsor.

Morocco

Co-sponsoring Protection capacity.

USA

Observer. Interested in strengthening capacity.

France

Observer. Working with the Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie to see if they would like to pledge.

Venezuela

Observer. The issue of protection capacity is very important to us.

Sweden

Observer. A potential pledge that fits under legal framework and statelessness, interested in decent work, ACSG. Happy of the clear inclusion of AGD in all the subthemes.

Thinking on Energy and infrastructure, Education and knowing how to link the themes with Protection capacity.

Denmark

Co-sponsor Protection capacity under child protection subtheme.

Discussing about the subthemes but emergency preparedness and legal framework, capacity building are areas of interest.

Netherlands

Observer

Republic of China

Observer

Act alliance – online

Observer and interested in emergency preparedness, strong protection institutions.

Women's refugee commission – online

Co-sponsor with AGD and youth focus.

Working with the Gender team of the University of North South Wales to make sure that AGD is including in pledges.

Global refugee led-network – online

Observer with social inclusion and protection of vulnerable groups; looking for partners.

Global youth advisory council – online

Observer, interested in youth.



UN Women

Co-sponsoring with a focus on disabilities.

Refugee legal in Australia – online

Observer. The five outcomes are connected, we need to think which one we will co-sponsor.

Act for peace Australia, representing the Asia Pacific Refugee Rights Network (APRRN) – online

APRRN is co-sponsoring protection capacity.

Interested in joint pledges and interested in refugee leadership and refugee inclusion.

UNHCR

Looking for pledges from everyone.

AGD, child, inclusion approach are probably the most cross-cutting themes.

How can we pledge on specific issues and make a better global system, see a difference in refugees' lives?

The legal and policy frameworks can reflect joint pledges.

Questions and comments

International Council of Voluntary Agencies

Will UNHCR make pledge on that theme and other themes?

UNHCR

We would like to be able to pledge the six themes but with the entire organization of the Forum, we will not be able to do so.

4. Responsibilities of co-sponsors

See above

Questions and comments

Morocco

As we are developing pledges, it is important to have UNHCR regional Bureaus views, be able to ask them questions so would like to see UNHCR colleagues presents also during the meeting.

UNHCR

We pledge on a concrete situation.

We need to bring the geographical and the global focus together. The regional bureaus will be present in the other meetings.

Sweden

Will it be up to each group to decide on key messages? Will there a coherence?



UNHCR

We are now at the stage to define more clearly the key messages.

5. Next steps

The key messages concepts should come with the pledges.

Tight timeline.

A workshop discussion will be organized to have a work plan, do advocacy, etc. Save the date:
24 July or 26 July or two other dates (tbc).

Spain and UNICEF

To short time line for the second meeting, at the end of July we will not be ready to provide concrete elements and we suggest to post-pone later the dates.

Australia

Asked for the list of the observer and the confirmed co-sponsors in order to start to contact each other and prepare the second meeting to have concrete pledges.

UNHCR

We will consider postponing the date.