In continuation and further development of the work on sectoral interventions, UNHCR has managed to push forward few activities that relate to the Food Sector. Through Egyptian Chefs, an advanced food-processing-related trainings were organized and provided to a group of refugees who already work in the food service sector. The training accommodated some 26 refugee cook/chefs. As per their testimonies, the training has enhanced their skills and upgraded them towards better marketing and to foster their contribution to the value chain. They have been equipped to be more competent in the local catering market. Participants grouped up through the training and were exercised to provide catering for an event that hosted 200 guests.

NilFurat intercultural handicraft project has participated in the second International Handicraft Show (IHS). IHS is the only national platform for Egyptian handicraft has developed as a reputable fair that brings together qualified exhibitors from different parts of Egypt. The exhibition has many objectives: a platform for trade and exchange, direct marketing and a dialogue medium for different participating cultures, thus contributing to the development of economic and tourism capitals and raising the standards of living and the social level of the population of these countries.

Participants during the reporting period have gained around 1000 LE out of the participation in IHS and other orders such as Goethe Institute. Introduction of new techniques and trainings have been managed during this period in order to respond to the new development in the project such as the participation in Ambiente Fair in Germany.

Finalization of partnership agreement with Plan International that will implement livelihood support to Syrian refugees and host community in 2018.

Finalization of contracting with Mumm Company that will handle the marketing and employment of food processors.