**Livelihood Working Group**

**Amman, Jordan**

**18.04.2019**

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| **Meeting Location** | **EMOPS Room UNHCR Khalda** | **Meeting Date** | **18.04.2019** |
| **Facilitator** | **Najwan AlDorgham (UNHCR)** | **Meeting Time** | **09:00–11:00** |
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| **Agenda:**   1. Syrian Refugee Unit work permit progress report March 2019/ MoPIC 2. Unpacking gendered realities in displacement: The status of Syrian refugee women in Jordan/ UN Women 3. RAIS adding Livelihoods services provided by partners and bulk upload/ UNHCR Data Analyses Group 4. Euro Jordanian Advanced Business Institute (EJABI) introduction by CEO Samer H. Khurma (DBA)   AOB: MERS workshop in Amman | |
| **Updates on work permits figures:**  The following data, from the Syrian Refugee Unit Work Permit Progress Report; February *2019*:   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | Total permits  JAN 1. 2016 – MAR 31. 2019 | | Total permits  JAN 1. 2019- MAR 31. 2019 | | MAR 2019 | | | Male | 132,704 | 95.5% | 9,159 | 92.9% | 3,392 | 93.4% | | Female | 6,316 | 4.5% | 707 | 7.1% | 242 | 6.6% | | Total | 139,020 | 100% | 9,866 | 100% | 3,634 | 100% | | Access to MoL report and figures [**here**](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/21ac4d661afc676782cbf14bc/files/f5edd402-ccba-453c-8d7c-2d079bc25aab/Draft_monthly_report_March_2019.docx). |
| **UN Women: Unpacking gendered realities in displacement.**   * A presentation on the main findings of the report (Unpacking gendered realities in displacement) in Jordan, Lebanon and Kurdistan, Iraq. * Report was published in November of 2018 * Objective of the report: to provide a better understanding of women refugees in displacement by highlighting the specific risks and challenges female Syrian refugees face in displacement in Jordan. * Information on Jordan were collected and the reporting was conducted through a qualitative study in host communities of Amman, Irbid and Mafraq. * The report, in response to the risks identified, made the following recommendations:   + Ensure that the approach to gender mainstreaming in humanitarian and resilience programming is one that prioritizes both women’s access to services and women’s empowerment.   + Increase access to employment services and financial resources for female Syrian refugees, actively targeting female refugees – and in particular female headed household – for livelihoods programming.   + Continue to support interactive, safe spaces for female Syrian refugees to meet, network and socialize.   + Raise awareness on the importance of the registration and regularization process and the consequences of informal marriage in Jordan.   + Continue to ensure the information sharing and awareness raising on available services.   + Promote accountability for violence against women.   + Invest in women led organizations (Syrian and Jordanian) to drive short and long term social equality and cohesion.   Flexible time policy:  A new flexible regulation calculates salaries depending on time spend on work. The regulation was introduced a year ago and applies to all regardless the nationality. The challenge remains with the social security law, as it does not recognize the participation of part timers unless they work more than 16 days. | Access UN Women report in Jordan  <http://jordan.unwomen.org/en/digital-library/publications/2018/gendered-realities-in-displacement-jordan-report> |
| **RAIS – Refugee Assistance Information System**   * UNHCR, in effort to make LH targeting and verification easier, has drafted a livelihoods sub category on RAIS for LH service providers to input all beneficiaries LH records on RAIS. This will lead to a more organized services provision and distribution. * Training categories to be discussed and tested jointly with the LWG |  |
| **EJABI: an introduction**   * The Euro Jordanian Advanced Business Institute that provides training and connects between job seekers and opportunities in the market. * They work with all sectors (private, NGOs, banking, and tourism sectors). * They offer a pool of 12 thousand retired experts, as trainers, from Germany, specialized in a great number of topics for training purposes at the EJABI centre. | <http://www.ejabi.org.jo/> |
| **AOB: MERS workshop announcement**   * The SEEP network will be conducting a 2-day workshop on Minimum Economic Recovery Standards (MERS) in Amman (June 17-18). * Registration is available now through the link provided. | Registration link: [https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fcvent.me%2FVoxle&amp;data=02%7C01%7Caldorgha%40unhcr.org%7C3cf00c030ff042087bc008d6b732b0a4%7Ce5c37981666441348a0c6543d2af80be%7C0%7C0%7C636897825672662374&amp;sdata=V3EL3yiZFw%2Faw913Wb7M8eWZRsntyrPYWEHh43DahDo%3D&amp;reserved=0](https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Funhcr.us6.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3D21ac4d661afc676782cbf14bc%26id%3Da4a9e0f7c5%26e%3De9d9893526&data=02%7C01%7Chadim%40unhcr.org%7C4141a5a7b1774e75b30708d6c16cc52a%7Ce5c37981666441348a0c6543d2af80be%7C0%7C0%7C636909070237115267&sdata=BSBEPmSSHaH6lSnlfAxz3YljwMDPDqVnaoBYMF0Vldw%3D&reserved=0) |
| **Next meeting date:**  May 16th. 2019  **Next Meeting Agenda:**   * TBA | |

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