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#### Peer-to-peer exchange on Human Rights Education in Displacement Contexts

Building on the HRE TT's webinar held on 17 June 2021 on Human Rights Education in Humanitarian Context and on the training session 'Engaging with affected populations' of the capacity building program, the HRE TT organized a peer to peer exchange on human rights education in displacement context. The main objectives of the webinar were to create a space for addressing the key role of human rights education for humanitarian workers, sharing concrete case studies from the field and tackle needs and gaps of human rights education in protection cluster context. The recording is available <u>here</u>.

#### Webinar on Human Rights, Climate Change and Displacement

A webinar focusing on human rights, climate change and displacement was organized by the GPC Human Rights Engagement Task Team on 20 April 2022 to launch the joint <u>OHCHR-UNHCR factsheet on climate change, displacement and human rights</u> released in March 2022, which complemented the <u>Global Protection Cluster Guidance for Field Protection Clusters and AoRs on Preparedness for</u> <u>Protection in the context of Climate Change and Disasters</u>. The webinar aimed at providing an overview of the applicable legal framework for the protection of people displaced in the context of climate change and created the opportunity to discuss about the recommendations that protection colleagues can use to strengthen the protection of displaced persons affected by the adverse consequences of climate change. The webinar was also an occasion The recording of the webinar is available <u>here</u>.



#### Peer-to-peer exchange on the Integration of Human Rights in the HNO and HRP

On 30 June 2022, the GPC Human Rights Engagement Task Team organized a peer-to-peer exchange, jointly with OHCHR and OCHA, on how to mainstream human rights in the HNO and HRP. Several field operations participated in the event and shared challenges and ideas to better include human rights in the 2023 HPC.

#### Webinar on Engagement with the African Human Rights Mechanisms

In the framework of the Humanitarian Networks and Partnerships Weeks 2022, the GPC Human Rights Engagement Task Team hosted a webinar on the engagement with the African human rights mechanisms on 18 May 2022. The discussion, which saw the participation of the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights to Freedom of Peaceful Assembly and of Association, Clément Nyaletsossi VOULE and Honourable Commissioner Janet Ramatoulie Sallah-Njie, Special Rapporteur on the rights of women in Africa, focused on possibilities of cooperation with the African mechanisms for protection actors working in Africa. The recording of the webinar is available here.

Peer-exchange Webinar on "Collaborative Advocacy by Humanitarian and Human Rights Actors: How to Better Manage the Tensions between Advocacy and Operational Access?"

The Global Protection Cluster (GPC) and the GPC's Advocacy and Human Rights Engagement Task Teams co-organised a peer-exchange webinar that involved leading protection and advocacy colleagues who shared national, regional and global perspectives on the delicate balance between, on the one hand, robust advocacy on protection issues, on the other hand, and the need for access. The recording of the <u>event</u> is available here and the summary <u>here</u>.



Advocacy Messages to which the GPC HRE TT contributed: Global Protection Cluster Protection Messages for Donors & Member States Syria

#### Mini-guidance on Engagement with the African Human Rights Mechanisms

The GPC Human Rights Engagement released a mini-guidance on the work of the African human rights mechanisms, with examples of possible engagement of protection actors in the field with the mechanisms. The mini-guidance is available in English and French.

#### 2 Video-messages from Special Procedures Mandate-holders Mechanisms

Interested in the work of the Special Rapporteurs and how their mandates relate to internal displacement? The GPC Human Rights Engagement Task Team has published two video messages with the <u>UN Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights</u>, <u>Olivier De Schutter</u> and the <u>Independent Expert on sexual orientation and gender identity</u>, <u>Victor Madrigal-Borloz</u>, which explain how protection clusters can support their mandates in addressing internal displacement.

#### **Compilation of Good Practices on Engaging with Human Rights Systems**

The Human Rights Liaison Unit at UNHCR recently published a <u>compilation of good practices</u> which gathers examples of situation where the engagement with human rights systems has contributed to the improvement of the protection environment in various countries around the world. The compilation includes also examples of cooperation between the Protection Clusters and the human rights systems.

## Global Protection Cluster Report: Where Do We Stand Mid-year 2022? A Spotlight on Operational Access for Protection

For the second year in a row, the Global Protection Cluster has led analysis on a mid-year stock take of Protection Funding of its field operations. Protection risks continued unabated with 151 million people in need of protection. This is 38 million more than 2021 – the highest increase in one year we have seen in a long while. You can find the full publication <u>here</u>.

#### IDP Webinar Series - Working with National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) in IDP Settings

On 14 June 2022, the IDP section at UNHCR, in cooperation with the UN Special Rapporteur on the human rights of IDPs, Cecilia Jimenez-Damary, organized a webinar on the vital role played by National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) in protecting the human rights of the internally displaced persons (IDPs). The webinar aimed at providing information to UNHCR and clusters' colleagues on the unique mandate and role of NHRIs and how UNHCR operations can better work with them to promote and protect the human rights of IDPs. The recording will be added soon.





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