

## FOOD SECURITY & LIVELIHOOD CLUSTER

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<b>DATE</b>	5 December, 2018
<b>TIME</b>	15:00
<b>VENUE</b>	Kyiv, Esplanadna 20

### AGENDA

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1. Food Security Situation Update
2. Projections of Cluster Partner Activities in 2019
3. Coordination Tool
4. Cluster preparedness
5. AOB

### MINUTES

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Cluster coordinator (CC) Alexandra Malukalo welcomed participants and explained the purpose of the meeting, which was followed by a round of introductions.

#### 1. Food Security Situation Update

CC highlighted that it is now estimated that 1.1 people in need are food insecure and/or in need of livelihoods support, out of these 0.9 million are food insecure. Following the invitation of the FSLC, REACH's Senior Assessment Officer Nicholas Archdeacon made a presentation which included an overview of the Food Security and Socio-Economic Situation, as well as the latest developments on both sides of the "contact line". The major points of the presentation were the following:

- Food Security Situation improves on NGCA, with percentage of households within severe and moderate Food Security Index brackets dropping from 17% to 11%, compared to 2017.
- Food Consumption levels tend to deteriorate significantly in winter
- Households residing in close proximity to the line of contact demonstrate poorer food consumption levels
- Household's food security correlates heavily with a number of factors, such as presence of household members with disability, gender of the head of households, presence of children, number of household members etc.
- Median Income is lower in locations close to the line of contact and tend to be significantly lower in female-headed households, compared to male-headed households.
- The major part of the household spending goes to food (49% in urban and 40% in rural areas). In turn, rural household tend to spend more on heating (22% against 14% in urban households).
- One in two households in GCA 0-5 km area reported receiving assistance.
- 67% of those who received some aid, received food.
- Difference in sampling methods do not allow for objective comparison between GCA and NGCA survey outcomes

#### 2. Projections of Cluster Partner Activities in 2019

FSLC IMO presented an overview of planned Cluster activities in 2019. According to it, around **122,621** beneficiaries are going to be reached across three FSLC objectives in 2019. Out of these, around **104,510** individuals are going to be reached with **food assistance** (82,400 in GCA and 22,110 in NGCA), **10,961**

are going to receive **agricultural support** (10,211 in GCA and 750 in NGCA) and **7,150** are going to benefit from **livelihoods support** (4,400 in GCA and 2,750 in NGCA).

The full overview can be seen in the table below:

Objective	HRP & Non-HRP Partners	Provisioned Number of Beneficiaries	Main activities	Area
<b>Objective 1 Food Assistance</b>	13 organizations - ASB/ACTED/SSU, Caritas, DDC, Network, NRC, PAH, PIN, RAF, RC, SCI, TGH	Total: 104,510 HRP: 59,510 (GCA - 37,400, NGCA - 22,110) + Non-HRP - 45,000 (GCA)	Cash for food/vouchers, in-kind food	70% of activities will take place in the strategic priority area (NGCA and GCA 0-5 km).
<b>Objective 2 Agriculture</b>	5 organizations - Caritas, Dorcas, IOM, NRC, PIN	10,961 (GCA - 10,211, NGCA - 750)	Trainings, grants, vouchers, in-kind support	30% of activities will take place in the strategic priority area (NGCA and GCA 0-5 km).
<b>Objective 3 Livelihoods / Income Generation</b>	4 organizations - IOM, NRC, PIN, SCI	7,150 (GCA - 4,400, NGCA - 2,750)	Trainings, grants, provision of equipment	45% of activities will take place in the strategic priority area (NGCA and GCA 0-5 km). 37% in further away areas.
<b>Total</b>		<b>122,621 (GCA – 97,011, NGCA – 25,610)</b>		

### 3. Coordination Tool

FSLC IMO reminded partners of the IM Coordination Tools which was developed in December 2017 (partners were strongly encouraged to use these tools for their planning to aid their bilateral coordination efforts) and presented an updated version, which allows for tracking activities across three cluster’s objectives on settlement level in 0-5 km area (Objective 1) and on raion/local council level (Objective 2 and 3) as well as for indicating planned activities for all objectives in a separate sheet. While the Activities sheets will be completed by the FSLC Team based on the monthly actual achievements, the Plans section will need to be regularly updated by Partners’ Focal Points.

The updated Coordination Tool can be found [on this link](#)

**The participants were encouraged to share any thoughts on the ways to improve the Coordination Tool for ease and the greatest efficacy of all stakeholders.**

### 4. Cluster preparedness

FSLC Coordinator presented the participants with results of the Cluster’s Emergency Preparedness Survey, conducted in the beginning of December 2018. Some of the key findings are listed below:

- 22 Cluster Partners took part in the Emergency Preparedness Assessment
- 18 partners are ready to expand their implementation area in case of emergency
- 65% of partners report their staff trained in Rapid Needs Assessment techniques and methodologies
- Majority of partners have established contacts with local authorities on different levels
- Up to 500 people in the field can be mobilised and involved in emergency food assistance distribution if needed
- 8 Cluster partners have emergency stocks available at the moment (plus one organization will renew its stock in February 2019)

- About 320 people can be supported with in-kind food assistance within 48 hours after shock
- About 3,000 people can be supported with CBT assistance immediately after shock
- On average, the partners are ready to launch their emergency food interventions within 50 hours after shock. It will take about two weeks to purchase additional food parcels.
- The majority of partners have a possibility to receive additional emergency funding in case of a sudden escalation

CC informed the participants about the intention to publicize the results of the survey in a separate document which is going to be updated quarterly in future.

CC informed the participants about the new Cluster’s District Focal Points – People in Need in Northern Donetsk GCA and Luhanska NGCA, Caritas Mariupol in Southern Donetsk GCA and NRC in Luhanska GCA. CC briefly explained the role of the DFPs in the emergency and reminded about the recently updated Guidance Note for Coordination in Case of Sudden Escalation of Needs, which is published on the FSLC web page, available [on this link](#).

**CC also informed the participants about the absence of the Cluster Focal Point in Donetsk NGCA and welcomed any suggestions on possible candidates.**

## 5. AOB

### ▪ Cluster partner assessments

CC informed the participants about the intention to shortly launch a survey aimed at assessing the amount of existing knowledge in form of reports, assessments or other kind of studies conducted or planned to be conducted by FSLC partners.

### ▪ Cluster Coordination 2019 and FSLC meetings

Following the recommendation of the FSLC’s Strategic Advisory Group, CC informed the participants about the plan to reduce the number of regular Cluster meeting to bimonthly meetings in Kyiv and separate bimonthly field meetings in either Kramatorsk or Severodonetsk.

### ACTION POINTS:

- ➔ FSLC to share its presentation as well as key messages from REACH presentation
- ➔ FSLC to share the link for the updated Coordination Tool
- ➔ FSLC to share the link for the updated Emergency Coordination Guidance Note

#	Name	Organization	Designation
1.	Alexandra Malukalo	FSLC	Cluster Coordinator
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3.	Yana Voitovska	FAO	M&E Assistant
4.	Kateryna Budz	ASB	Project Manager
5.	Jan Severa	ACTED	Project Manager
6.	Margot Charles	ACTED	Junior Project Development Officer
7.	Nicholas Archdeacon	REACH	Senior Assessment Officer
8.	Valentin Desiatnik	URCS	Livelihoods Project Officer
9.	Ivan Koshtura	URCS	Livelihoods Project Manager
10.	Antoine Terrien	Danish Red Cross	Country Coordinator Ukraine
11.	Viktor Fursov	IOM	Emergency and Stabilization Livelihoods, Project Specialist

12.	Olena Panasenko	IOM	Executive/Liaison Assistant
13.	Sasa Marusic	Norwegian Refugee Council	Livelihood and Food Security PDM
14.	Dina Urazbaeva	Triangle GH	Country Representative
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16.	Levan Dadiani	PIN	Livelihoods Programme Manager
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