

Report

Dates 15th – 18th/ Nov.2009

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Group,

Refugees, asylum seekers and internal Displacement

Objective:

Sharing individual experiences for Participants'' Organizations working in the field of Refugees ,asylum seekers, and preparing projects' proposals to promote better understanding of the refugees status and the role of youth /youth workers which could be played regarding the progress and efficiency of it.

Attendances:

Youth that are Qualified and experienced in Refugees topics.

Participants'' Organizations background:

- **UNHCR:**

It is a non political, humanitarian and social, international protection and assistance for Refugees.

- **IFMSA (International Federation of Medical Student's Association):**

Aims to create a great medical Professional and to help people in-need (We want to make the world a better world)

- **Hawa' Society (Sudan):**

Youth Empowerment and capacity building on communication and livelihood skills, and provide technical support regarding IT and Computer Skills for youth working Within Local NGOs.

- **UNFPA (United Nation Population Fund Agency / North Sudan YAP: youth advisory Panel)**

Present and Support the UNFPA Strategies and programs within the Sudanese Government.

- **IRD (International Relief and Development):**

Reduce the suffering of the world's most Vulnerable Groups, work in six core sections; Democracy, Governance Community Development, economic growth and public – private partnership.

- **Verein UTE Bock Association for refugees (Austria):**

Empowerment of refugees (Rights competences)

- **European Youth Press (Europe):**

Ensure strong Corporation among national youth media and promote freedom of press in Europe.

Minutes of Meeting

First Day:

1. Welcoming
2. Set the Ground roles and working ethics
3. T-shirt activity;

Each of the participants recommended to create his/her professional T-Shirt by presenting its Organization Mission, His/her role within the

Organization, the Organizations' Beneficiaries and the initiative of the organization, as well as themselves.

Second Day,

Feedback recall previous day out-comes

UNHCR Presentation

Discussion points

Controversial Discussion on the presentation,

- Presentation and discussion from a UNHCR representative
- 1951 Convention to the status of Refugees/1967 Protocol
Cornerstone of the International Refugee law, definition of the refugee and rights and obligations of refugees. (160 Countries Ratified)
The difference between a (refugee .Asylum Seekers. Migrants...)
- The UNHCR Services for the Refugees (Health, Protection...)
- The Difference between each Countries rules and regulations regarding the refugees status (Mobility, access to the Job Market, health, Education,etc)
- The UNHCR Durable solutions regarding Refugee future :
 1. Voluntary Repatriation
 2. Resettlement
 3. Local Integration
- The Moroccan experience with Refugees status
- Controversial Discussion on the Appeal declaration

Recommendation:

- to foster the process of sharing experience of the organizations working in the field of refugees, asylum seekers,
- Work on promoting a better understanding of refugees' status.

- Clarify the youth/youth workers role regarding the progress and efficiency of promoting a better understanding of refugees status Globally

Project proposal

Online Platform on Refugee Issues

Components:

- Database:
 - Organizations, tools, projects
 - Profiles of the refugees (biography)
 - Legal issues (laws and agreements)
- Magazine:
 - Young refugees' challenges in daily written by refugees
 - Trainings (online, workshops)
 - Tutorship
- Calendar:
 - Calls, Events, Projects.
- Links

Target Group:

- ◆ Organizations for refugees and the general public

Next steps:

- Finding partners (UNHCR, IOM, WB, CoE, LAS, EU, UNRWA, EJF)
- Fund rising
- Hosting the Refugee Forum which will gather the refugee organizations to set up database and responsibility sharing
- Establishing committee for realizing the project and asking for funds

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2nd Project proposal;

Living with Refugees

Objectives:

- To understand the life conditions of refugees
- To Raise awareness
- To provide opportunities for Intercultural dialogue and exchange
- Provide them with, Skills and knowledge.

Activities:

- Volunteers work in Camps
- Provide services (medical support, language courses, capacity building)
- Organize social activities and events (Parties, games in Camps)

- To write an article, make report.
- Make corporation between the organizations and the legal access to the Camps

Partners:

UNHCR, Doctors without borders, Red Cross, WHO, World Bank.

Conduct resource person to facilitate and advice and distribute information

Fund Raising