

DSTWG Sustainable Livelihoods Subgroup

Overview of Discussions and Terms of Reference

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Objectives

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- 1. Provide technical guidance to the DSTWG and area-based coordination groups (ABCs), humanitarian, and development actors to address and resolve economic and financial inclusion issues, and develop strategies related to durable solutions.**
- 2. Technical support for better targeting** of the most vulnerable displacement-affected communities, namely for work and job placement interventions under the HRP.
- 3. Provide a forum on best practices, lessons learned and capacity building for partners across the livelihoods spectrum**, including humanitarian, stabilisation, recovery, peacebuilding and development actors.
- 4. Act as a coordination body for livelihood activities**, with thematic priorities including the following:
 - Strengthening government capacity in employment pathways and job placement
 - Improving coordinated cash for work activities
 - Demand-side interventions targeting Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)
- 5. Advocate and support coordination amongst ABCs in terms of allocation of durable solutions livelihoods funding**, to ensure that Plans of Action are implemented in line with their objectives.

Membership and structure

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- Chair and co-chair
- 15 members (UN agencies, local and international NGOs, private sector representatives, government representatives, donors)
- Sub-group beneficiaries
- ToR for 1 year, subject to renewal

Opportunities and Concerns

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Opportunities moving forward

1. As the transition to durable solutions is ongoing, buy-in could be secured for wider accessibility of durable solutions to humanitarian and development actors. This can enable stronger:
 - a. Information management within the ABCs
 - b. Coordination between the subgroups and the ABCs, as well as government agencies
 - c. Thorough follow up on integrated programming approaches especially as they related to graduation and multi-faceted vulnerabilities from displacement
 - d. Incentive for coordination and collaboration between all durable solutions actors in Iraq
2. Collaboration with the PWG2 so that livelihoods interventions at the ABC level align with the policy work conducted on economic opportunities

Concerns on immediate priorities

1. With the transition of the cluster system, need to ensure that the CWG and ELC databases are maintained or handed over to support registered cases with reaching durable solutions
2. Identifying a chair and co-chair given that these positions will not be funded unless other actors can access durable solutions funding



Timeline

#	Activity	Status
1	Finalize review and add comments to ToR	Completed
2	Consolidate ToR and share with DSTWG for review	Completed
3	Translate ToR to Arabic, Kurdish	Completed
4	Circulate email requesting Eols for membership and co-chairing	31 October 2022
5	Deadline to provide Eols for joining/chairing the subgroup	TBD
6	Meeting to review Eols, discuss chairs and co-chairs	TBD