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SIDE EVENT

Session Title: Protection and Solutions in the Refugee Coordination Model

The session will provide an overview of the Refugee Coordination Model, with highlights from UNHCR's Solutions work and the Regional Refugee and Resilience Plan for Syrian Refugees and host communities (known as the 3RP).

The Refugee Coordination Model (RCM) issued in December 2013 provides a framework for leading, coordinating and delivering refugee operations and is applicable from the onset of an emergency until durable solutions are found. Under the overall leadership of the host government, partnership based and inclusive coordination remains a cornerstone for effective refugee response and improved protection and solutions outcomes for refugees. Towards this end, the RCM encapsulates greater collaboration with humanitarian as well as development actors.

The best form of protection is a solution where displaced and stateless persons are no longer in need of international protection or assistance and can exercise their rights and participate fully in the community in which they live. In 2013, the High Commissioner, to promote a rights based approach to solutions for persons of concern set aside funds to encourage operations to implement stronger solution-oriented programmes. In addition as a part of the Solutions Alliance, UNHCR is working with donors, humanitarian and development actors to increase resilience and self-reliance of refugees and internally displaced persons.

The 3RP is an illustration of improved linkage between humanitarian and development actors and how such collaboration can improve protection and solutions for refugees and augment the impact on host communities.

Session Moderator: Mr. Stephan Maurer, Geneva Representative, Danish Refugee Council (Hosting Agency of the Solution Alliance Secretariat

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For more information see:

Refugee Coordination Model,

Solutions

Regional Refugee and Resilience Plan for Syrian Refugees and host communities

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