

HLP AOR Newsletter – July 2020



Dear members of the Housing, Land, and Property Area of Responsibility,

We hope you are all safe and healthy in these challenging times.

It has been a pleasure for me (Jim) to connect with some of you this last month. Thank you for your welcome!

Hot off the press

The Global Protection Cluster has launched the [2020 Global Protection Forum](#) and is pleased to invite you to a series of events designed specifically to have operational impact.

The HLP AoR is hosting an online session on '[Housing, Land and Property \(HLP\) implications for protection in practice: coordination between CCCM, Shelter and Protection](#)'. Please save the date – 30th September 2020 – and if you would like to get involved and share examples from your work, please do let us know.

The Forum will be composed of **webinars and events spread across the last 6 months of the year** to ensure strong and active participation. Please find further information on the GPC webpage [here](#). You can view the provisional programme [here](#).

More details to follow in coming months!

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The HLP AoR team are pleased to report that the [“Thematic Interest Teams”](#) have kicked off. This month the Displaced Women’s HLP group met to discuss experiences, challenges, learnings and to plan for the coming months. We are hopeful that these groups can become supportive communities of practice and they offer a fantastic opportunity to join with colleagues across sectors, clusters and continents.

We are planning to reach out to more groups in the coming weeks. Please do let us know if you would like to be involved! There is still time to tell us the areas you are interested in by completing the (very) short survey [here](#).

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The Shelter Projects Initiative (led by our colleagues from the Shelter Cluster) is having a special edition on HLP this year. They have extended the abstract submission deadline to Monday 31st August. [Please submit case studies](#) for projects in which you have been involved!

Finally, thank you for your engagement in the AoR, through the webinars and gatherings, sharing the amazing array of work that you are involved in. Please see the featured resources below.

If you would like your organization's or country-level AOR work to be shared/featured in next month's newsletter, please get in touch with Jim Robinson (jim.robinson@nrc.no).

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Warm regards,

The Global HLP AOR team.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us at (jim.robinson@nrc.no) and (alexandre.bourque@nrc.no).

Recent AOR Events:

- Following the Webinars on HLP in COVID-19 in May, we co-hosted an **online discussion** through **June** to examine the issues raised by these webinars in even more depth and with a greater range of participants.

Featured resources:

HLP in COVID

- Global Shelter Cluster has issued [key messages on HLP and Covid-19](#)
- NRC in East Africa has produced a [briefing note on the risks and impacts of forced evictions for displaced communities during COVID-19](#).
- The HLP AOR "living document" for [resources and guidance on HLP in COVID -19](#) epidemic is still being consistently updated. **Please add any resources you think other colleagues could benefit.**
- The Environmental Peacebuilding Association (EnPax) launched a resource site on [COVID-19 and environmental peacebuilding](#).
- UN Habitat [published a blog on how COVID-19 exposes the harsh realities of gender inequality in slums](#).

Displaced Women's HLP

- NRC in Iraq just produced this [report on the unique challenges displaced women in Iraq face to exercise their HLP rights](#), which amplify their barriers to return.
- SIPRI issued this [brief essay on Linking the Women, Peace and Security Agenda to climate change](#). Even though it is not mentioned in the essay, Women's HLP rights are at the intersection of these two issues – as HLP AOR, we may have some work to do
- USAID has issued a [call for applications for RISE grants to Address Gender-Based Violence and Environment Linkages](#)

Security of Tenure

- Upcoming [webinar on July 15th to launch Prindex](#) – a global database (140+ countries) on perceptions of security of tenure.
- [FAO released a Legal Guide on Land Consolidation](#) as a tool for land management
- This release was accompanied by a [webinar on the theme of Land Consolidation](#) held by the Land Portal.

Evictions & Relocations

- La Plataforma de Coordinación para Refugiados y migrantes de Venezuela ha preparado esta Nota Orientativa: [Mitigación de riesgos de desalojo de población refugiada y migrante de venezuela.](#)

Securing HLP for returns

- UNHCR in Honduras has produced the following infographics for the protection abandoned housing due to displacement both in [English](#) y [Español](#).

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