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UNHCR and Humanitarian Partnerships

Three Pillars of Humanitarian Partnership

- UN humanitarian agencies and IOM
- NGOs
- The Red Cross/Crescent Movement



Types of Partners:

- Implementing: Sign a formal project agreement and there is an exchange of funds.
- **Operational:** organizations that work along-side UNHCR in the same operation and they have their own resources. No exchange of funds.
- Advocacy: partners



 42% of UNHCR's expenditures is implemented through partners – Governmental, nongovernmental, intergovernmental....

- More than a third of UNHCR's total expenditure (34%)is implemented through NGO partners
- More than 600 national NGOs and more than 150 international NGOs are implementing partners

- Bilateral partnerships with operational UN agencies: global level MoUs; country-level and operation-specific agreements
- Strategic global partnerships with key NGOs
- Annual NGO
 Consultations
- HC's Structured Dialogue with NGOs

UNHCR and inter-agency coordination

- UNHCR participates in the Humanitarian Country Team, consisting of UN agencies, the Red Cross/Crescent movement and NGOs as well as the UNCT.
- UNHCR participates in the UN Country Team, partnering with other UN agencies in transition situations and development contexts, seeking durable solutions for refugees

Humanitarian Coordination and Partnership DIFFERENT CONTEXTS:

1) UNHCR leads and coordinates **refugee operations** in accordance with its mandate;

- On the basis of partnership
- Multi-sectoral coordination
- Facilitates processes of contingency and response planning, assessment and monitoring
- Coordinates implementation
- Advocates on protection and solutions
- Seeks funding and advocates to fill gaps

Humanitarian Coordination and Partnership DIFFERENT CONTEXTS:

2) For IDP operations, **UNHCR is part of the cluster approach** under the overall coordination of the **Humanitarian Coordinator**

- UNHCR is global cluster lead for Protection, CCCM and Emergency shelter;
- In HQ, UNHCR has mainstreamed its cluster responsibilities in existing functions and structures;
- Training and capacity-building efforts;
- Cluster lead role at field level; (17 protection clusters; 8/15 emergency shelter clusters; supports 13 CCCM clusters)

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Recent Humanitarian Reform

The Transformative Agenda- UNHCR

- UNHCR in the HCT
- UNHCR as cluster lead
- UNHCR is joint assessment, planning, prioritisation
- UNHCR preparedness for L3

And...

 UNHCR's leadership and coordination in refugee emergencies

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