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HLOM Venue and Dates

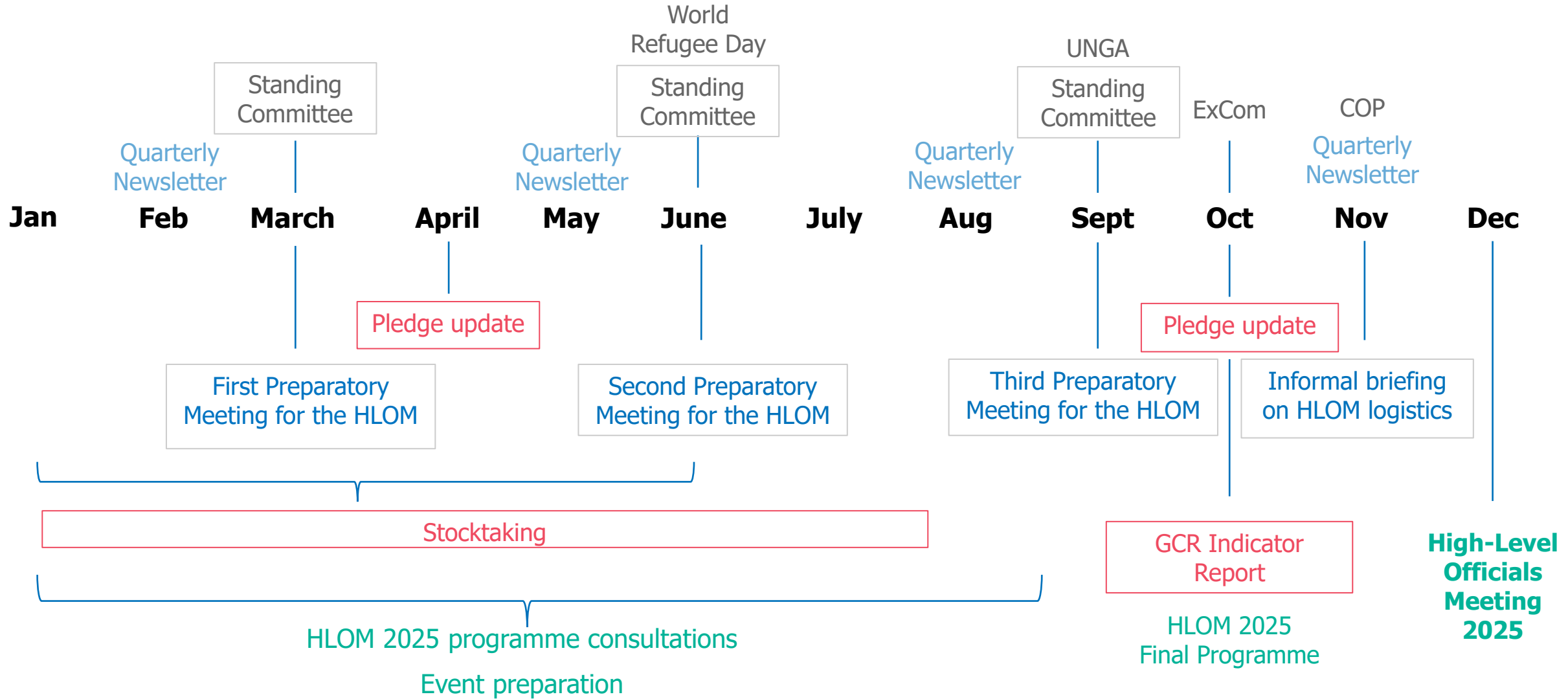
HLOM to be held at the **CICG** in
Geneva 15-17 December 2025

Tentative programme:

- **15 December:** Advance day
- **16-17 December:** HLOM



Global Timeline to the HLOM 2025



Update on Pledge Implementation

3,302 pledges total (2023 & 2019)

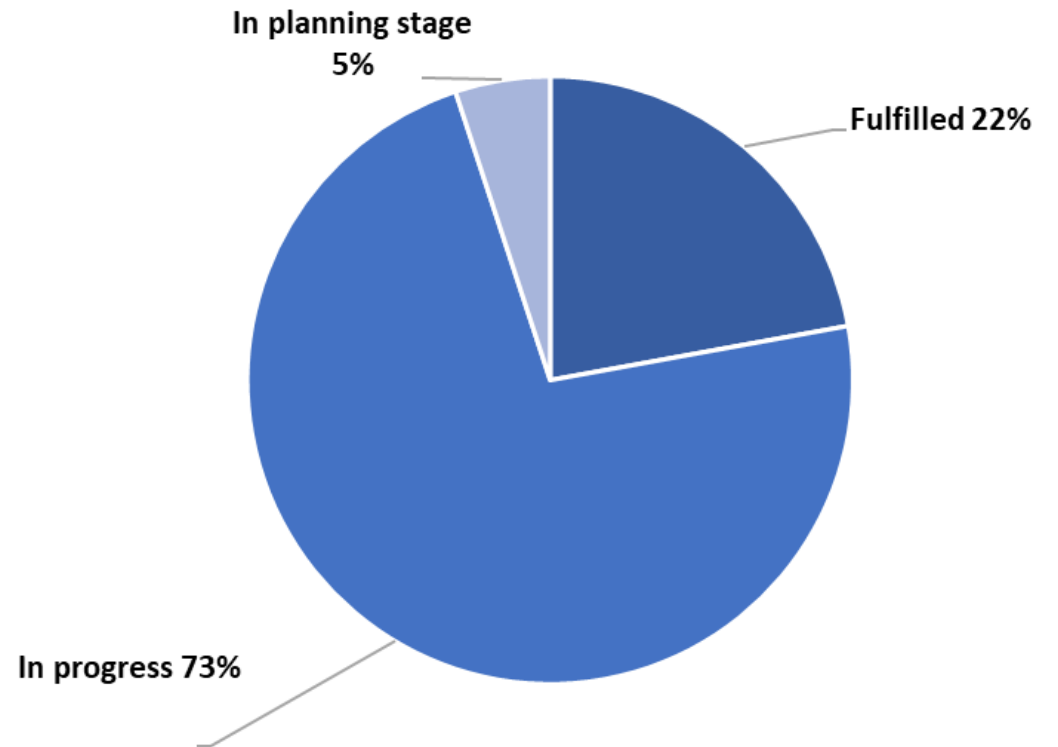
- **707 pledges** since GRF 2019 fulfilled
- **56% of GRF 2019** pledges fulfilled

691 pledge updates received in 2024

- 503 in progress
- 35 in planning phase
- 153 fulfilled
- 364 updates **made by States &** 121 updates **made by Civil Society Actors**
- Majority of updates from **Europe & Americas**

Implementation Stage of Submitted Pledge Updates

(691 pledge updates submitted in total)



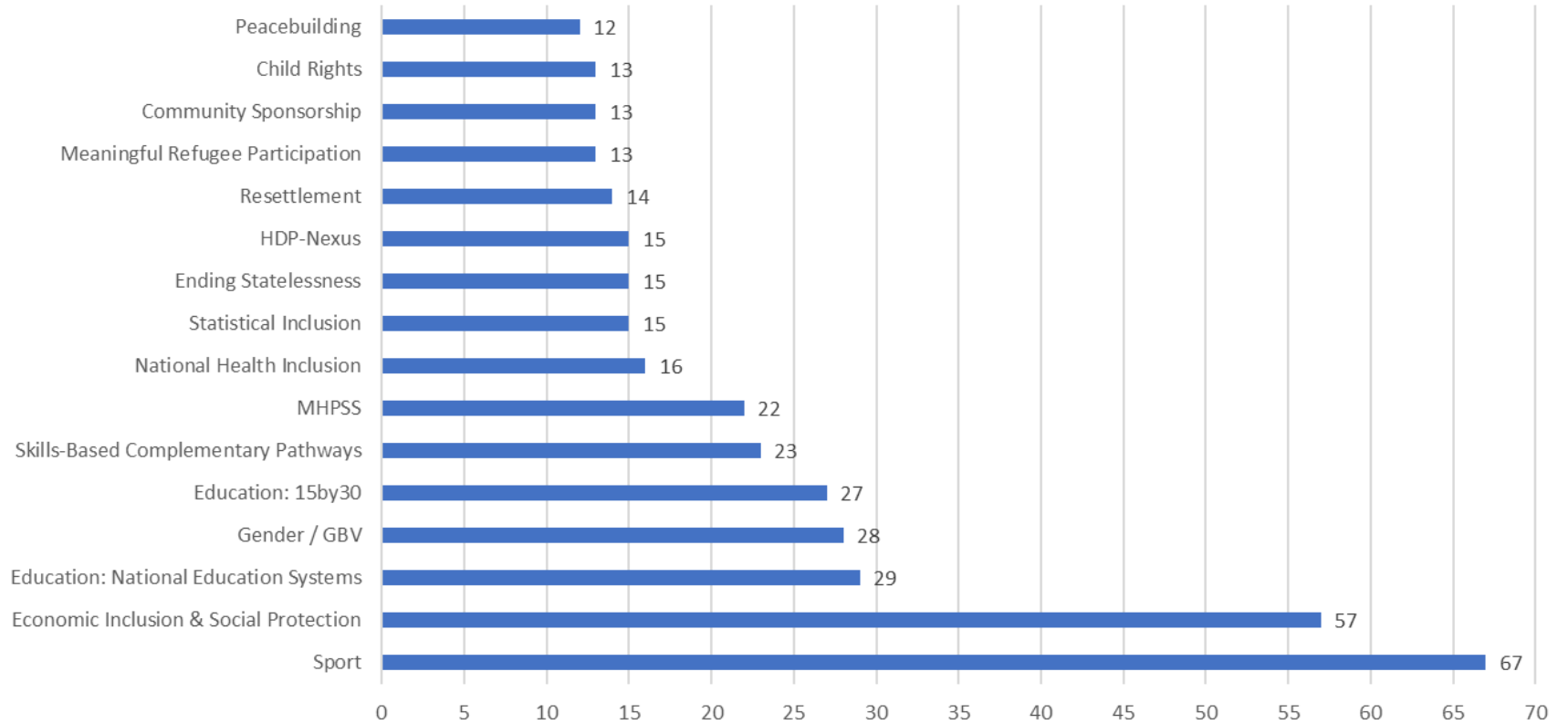
Update on Pledge Implementation

Most reported multistakeholder pledges:

- **Self-reliance** (Education, Economic Inclusion and Social Protection, Gender, Health)
- **3rd country solutions** (Resettlement, Family Reunification)
- **Cross-cutting** (Sports, Meaningful Refugee Participation)

Number of Pledge Updates linked to Multistakeholder Pledges

(87% of the submitted pledge updates for GRF 2023 pledges are linked to at least one MSP)



Stocktaking - key considerations

Stocktaking should place equal emphasis on showing **impact and results** of **GCR implementation through pledges** and **key trends in terms of challenges and gaps**, and how to address them

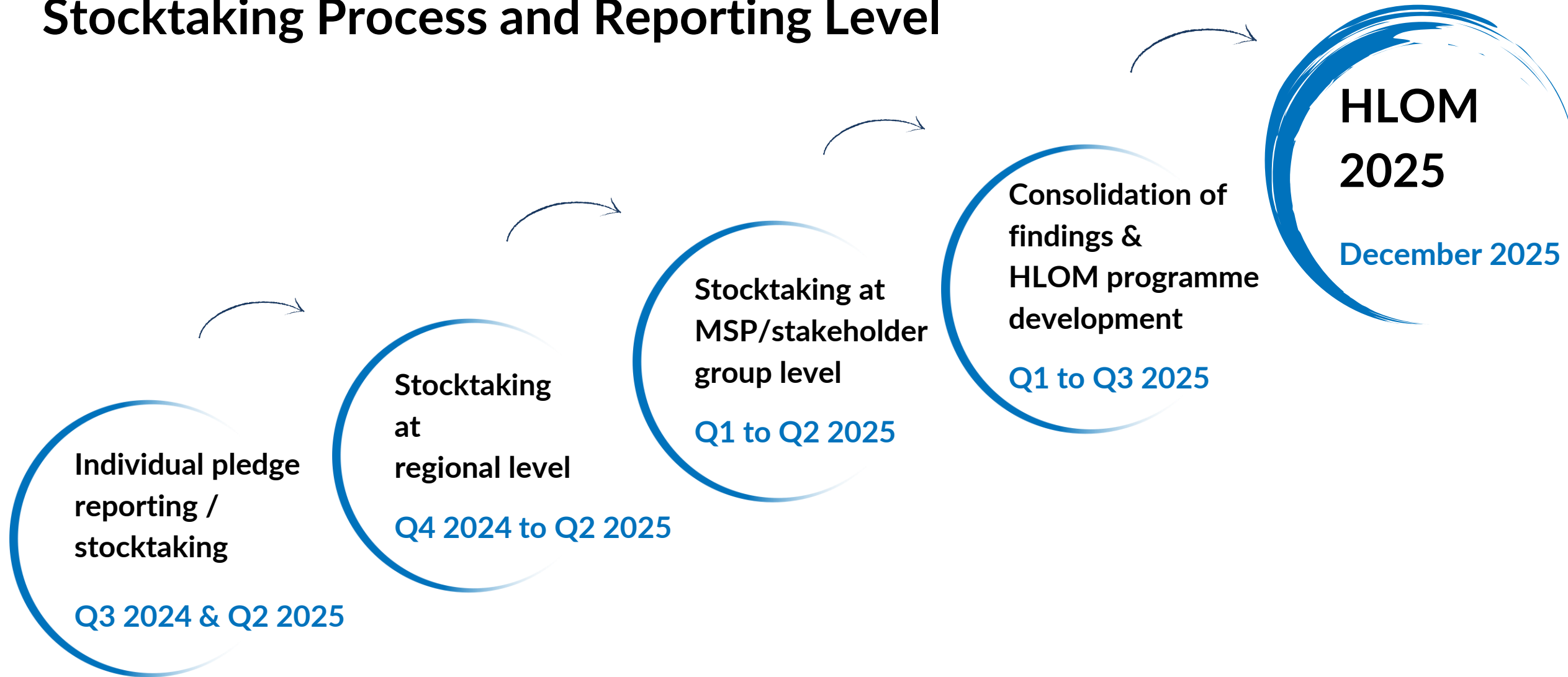
The HLOM – as the primary forum for global stocktaking of GRF pledges and progress toward the GCR objectives – serves as an **opportunity for accountability**, to **highlight unfulfilled ambitions** and cultivate needed **political and financial support**

Stocktaking process should be **light and flexible** to adapt to differing contexts

The process will also be informed by **data** including through the **GCR indicator framework**

The outcomes will inform the strategic priorities and **roadmap to the GRF 2027**

Stocktaking Process and Reporting Level



Stocktaking – what you can do

All pledging entities are encouraged to get involved

- Report on your pledges
- Leverage existing mechanisms – state-driven, regional, interagency, etc.
- Bring partners together to identify progress, how to overcome challenges and gaps
- Engage refugees and the organizations they lead in the stocktaking and reporting process > *new guidance*
- Focus stocktaking on impact and results

ReSolve - for Resilience and Solutions, a Pledge for the Afghanistan Situation

Ambassador Warner Ten Kate

*Head of Migration and Development Division at the Ministry of Foreign
Affairs, the Kingdom of the Netherlands*

Resettlement and Community-based Sponsorship

Mr. Eyad Jabaary
Member, Fundación Amal Argentina

Multistakeholder Pledge on Resettlement

Background

Within the framework of the Third Country Solutions for Refugees - Roadmap 2030, the objective of resettling a cumulative total of over 1 million refugees by the end of 2030 has been articulated. This can be achieved through targeted legal and policy reform to support new and scaled up resettlement programmes that are sustainable and that respond to identified needs and have maximum protection impact.

Pledge follow-up mechanisms:

- Mainstreamed into ongoing, existing strong relationships and mechanisms with Resettlement countries related to quota discussions and resettlement processing.
- Consultations on Resettlement & Complementary Pathways (CRCP)
- Priority Situations Core Group (PSCG)

We would like to hear your updates on resettlement pledges. What good practices or thoughts do you have on how to ensure implementation of pledges?

Multistakeholder Pledge on Community Sponsorship

Background: Goal to develop, continue or expand sponsorship programmes to grow third country solutions, enhance integration prospects and strengthen community narratives.

Follow-up Mechanism: Global Refugee Sponsorship Initiative (GRSI), UNHCR

Progress towards Implementation:

- New/expanded sponsorship pathways and community sponsorship programmes in Brazil, Ireland and the US.
- Joint CSO Network Pledge – new Sponsorship Group Formation Toolkit; Global Sponsorship Summit (Dublin, Nov 2024).
- Global Sponsorship Fund – Bosch Foundation and Gov of Italy's inaugural donations > work towards establishment and piloting of the Fund.

2024 - One million refugees welcomed by sponsorship programmes since 2016.

Skills-based complementary pathways, Machine-readable Travel Documents, and Family Reunification

Mr. David Crawford

Managing Partner and Executive Committee Member, Fragomen

MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PLEDGE: Skills-Based Complementary Pathways

Led by the Global Task Force on Refugee Labour Mobility and the Global Task Force on Third Country Education Pathways, this pledge aims to achieve the goal of 200,000 refugees arriving on labour mobility and education pathways in 5 years time.

MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PLEDGE: Refugee Travel Documents

Pledges to provide, improve and accept State-issued machine-readable refugee travel documents which allow departure and return to the countries of asylum without risk of being refouled.

MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PLEDGE: Family Reunification

Led by the Global Family Reunification Network (FRUN), this pledge has three pillars on 1) law and policy, 2) support and facilitation, and 3) data and evidence to help 1 million refugees reunited with their families by 2030.

Digital Protection - Prevention of the Harmful Impact of Hate Speech, Misinformation, and Disinformation

Mr. Sverre Wolden

First Secretary for Humanitarian Affairs, the Kingdom of Norway

The Challenge

Information risks such as **misinformation, disinformation and hate speech**, create or sustain protection risks faced by forcibly displaced and stateless communities.

They propagate harmful stereotypes and false narratives, creating new risks.

They can undermine our collective work to address protection and solutions.

Misinformation and disinformation can erode trust in humanitarian organizations and civil society.

They can exacerbate social tensions, and narrow opportunities for solutions and self-reliance

The Pledge

Pledge Objective: **To increase the number of stakeholders taking action to better understand, respond to and help prevent the harmful impact on displaced and stateless communities, and on humanitarian action, of misinformation, disinformation and hate speech.**

Multi-stakeholder: 23 Pledges global and national levels: Governments, Private/Tech Sector, Civil Society, NGOs, Refugee-Led Orgs and United Nations orgs

Diverse Geographic Footprint: Research, field based pilots, developing tools & common standards, capacity building, investment in under resourced languages

Contributes to **Objective 4 of the Global Compact on Refugees:** *"Voluntary, sustainable return, reintegration, address root causes, prevent conflict and build peace"*

Norway's commitment

Pledge: **Financial and technical support through the Humanitarian Innovation Programme.**

South Africa: A pioneering new pilot working with multiple stakeholders to test pre-emptive solutions to addressing misinformation and disinformation (UNHCR).

Laaha: A virtual safe space providing trusted information on GBV and SRHR – currently in 10 languages (UNICEF).

Beyond Borders, Beyond Barriers - Delivering Comprehensive Solutions in the IGAD Region

Ms. Fathia Alwan

*Director for Health and Social Development, Inter-governmental
Authority on Development (IGAD)*

Gender Equality & Protection from Gender-based Violence

Mr. Markus Mayr

Counsellor for Political Affairs, Federal Republic of Germany

Objectives & Key achievements

- Increasing the safe and dignified access to GBV prevention and response services
- Supporting the work of organizations led by forcibly displaced and stateless women
- Mainstreaming gender equality and GBV risk mitigation across pledges

- ⇒ More than 100 stakeholders mobilized
- ⇒ 116 pledges to date
- ⇒ 3-fold increase in pledges compared to 2019

Next steps

- Pledge co-leads meet regularly to review pledges' progress, follow up and collective awareness raising and mobilization
- Stock-tacking event in 2025
- High-Level Officials Meeting in December 2025

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