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| **Annex 1****PROJECT 2019 IMPLEMENTATION ROADMAP MATRIX** |
| **OUTCOME: DURABLE SOLUTIONS TO FORCED DISPLACEMENT IN AFRICA EXPLORED** |
| **Expected Outputs** .  | **Activities**  | **Location, date and Venue**  | **Result**  |
| **1** | Operationalization of the African Humanitarian Agency ( AHA)  | Consultation meeting with independent experts on the Operationalization of the African Humanitarian Agency  | Johannesburg, South Africa 11 – 12 April 2019  | Participants including member states representatives, Regional Economic Communities representatives, Independent Experts drawn from all regions of the continent, UN Agencies, International Organisations, NGOs, National Societies of the Red Cross and Red Crescent, Academia, and the civil society were also in attendant.The experts sought to reflect on the role, structure and mandate of the Agency in strengthening AU’s coordination and leadership role in dealing with forced displacement and humanitarian crises on the continent. **Final validation meetings planned for 20-21 November 2019 in Addis Ababa.** |
| **2** | Integration of forcibly displaced persons in national plans and service provision (e.g. through provision of social services such as Education) | Visit of the AU Champion for the 2019 Theme, H.E. H.E. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo to a refugee camp in Assosa, Ethiopia  | Assosa, Ethiopia19 June 2019 | The Champion donated USD50, 000 as seed money for the construction of a primary school for refugee children in Tsore camp, Assosa.  |
| **3** | Ensuring sustainable humanitarian financing and partnership  | 20th RCM for Africa and the 3rd joint meeting of RCM for Africa and the Africa Regional UN SDGOSAA (UN Office of the Special Adviser on Africa), Africa Dialogue Series on theme of the year Tripartite task force (AU-EU-UN) | 23-24 March 2019Marrakech, Morocco21-23 May 2019New York, USA10 13 JulyNiamey, Niger | The 20th RCM meeting’s theme was ‘The 2019 AU theme: The Year of Refugees, Returnees and Internally Displaced Persons: Towards Durable Solutions to Forced Displacement in Africa’* Was dedicated on the overarching theme ‘Towards durable solutions for forcibly displaced persons in Africa’
* The meeting brought together various participants including H.E Cessouma Minata Samate (AU Commissioner of Political Affairs), Mr. Raouf Mazou, Director, UNHCR Regional Bureau for Africa.
* The UNSG António Guterres also spoke of the deepening strategic partnership between the UN and the African Union Mentioning the Africa Dialogue Series as an important part of this effort.
* The meeting also included AU member states, UN system entities, development partners, civil society, the private sector, the media and academia.
* Topics covered included: African solidarity: best practices and lessons learned in African countries hosting refugees; IDPs and the Kampala Convention; the contribution of the youth in Africa and the diaspora to peace and development; and collaborating for greater impact and durable solutions for forcibly displaced persons in Africa.
* It is expected that the outcome of the ADS 2019 will feed into the regional consultative conferences leading to the GRF.

The AU-EU-UN Task Force on Libya undertook an experience sharing visit to Niamey, Niger from the 10th to 13th July 2019. Representatives of the government of Rwanda, the African Union Commission and UNHCR participated in the visit. The mission’s main objective was to facilitate experience sharing between the governments of Niger and Rwanda regarding the operationalization of the Emergency Evacuation Transit Mechanism (ETM) in Niger.The mission took place days after the tragic and brutal air attacks against a detention centre in Tajoura, Libya on 3 July 2019 which was hosting close to 600 refugees and migrants. By hosting the ETM, the people and government of Niger have reaffirmed Niger’s commendable solidarity towards refugees especially those who face severe protection risks and vulnerabilities in Libya.  |
| **4** | Synergizing Humanitarian response to peace, governance and development initiatives | Provided regular briefings to the AU Peace and Security Council on the 2019 Theme of the Year.  | 19 March 2019, Addis Ababa: The Role of women in conflict and peace-building: contributions of women refugees, internally displaced persons and returnees9 April 2019, Addis Ababa: The African Humanitarian Agency: Ameliorating the impact of Terrorism and Armed Conflict on Africa’s Social Fabric20 June 2019, Addis Ababa: PSC Open Session on Advancing Refugee Protection in the Context of Human Rights in Africa 6 August 2019, Addis Ababa: PSC Open Session on Natural and Other Disasters on the Continent: Beyond the Normative Framework | PSC discussed how to ensure effective implementation of existing AU instruments for protection of the rights of women and girls in situation of conflict and forced displacement;Status update on progress regarding the operationalization of the African Humanitarian Agency shared with the African Union Peace and Security Council;Discussion of the AU PSC on the imperative to promote and protect human rights of displaced persons, especially refugees; Focused discussion of AU PSC on Natural Disasters and their impact on displacement including, inter alia, cyclones Idai and Kenneth which ravaged Southern Africa with devastating impact on Malawi, Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Madagascar, Comoros etc.  |
| **5** | Enhancing institutional capacity of Member States | Carry out ‘The AU Humanitarian Architecture: Law and Policy Training’ also known as the “Livingstone Syllabus”. | 18-22 March 2019, Livingstone, Zambia | Training on law and policy relating to the AU humanitarian architecture. Gathered a number of civil servants, humanitarian officers and other officials from Member States.Outcome: improved understanding and effective implementation of legal and policy provisions contained in relevant international and AU instruments. |
| **6** | AU Roundtable on Root Causes and Durable Solutions on forced displacement and humanitarian crisis | Roundtable on “Addressing the Root Causes of Forced Displacement and Achieving Durable Solutions in Africa”.Dialogue with women refugees and returnees | 9 February 2019Addis Ababa, Ethiopia17-18 June 2019Addis Ababa, Ethiopia | The Roundtable was useful in that it identified both structural and proximate causes of forced displacement in Africa.This meeting was organized to support the full and effective participation of refugees in the AU theme of the year activities. The meeting created a safe and intimate environment for participants to discuss their challenges and share their ideas on how to overcome them. Participants drafted a statement which called for inclusion in peace processes; full and quality education, including within national systems in host countries; an end to impunity for violence; lifting of barriers to work and entrepreneurship; psycho-social support for trauma; and the convening of further Dialogues and the creation of a permanent platform for their interaction. The statement was delivered to the CCM by a representative of the group. |
| **7** | High-Level Dialogue on the AU 2019 Theme of the Year  | AGA High-Level Dialogue on Democracy, Human Rights and Governance focusing on the 2019 Theme  | 2-7 December 2019, Kampala, Uganda  | **FORTHCOMING: PLANNED FOR DECEMBER 2019** |
| **8** | African Union Summit Launch of the theme of the year  | Official Launch of the 2019 Theme of the Year High-Level Dialogue on the Launch of the theme of 2019 (32nd Ordinary Session of the AU Assembly) | 10-11 February Addis Ababa, Ethiopia 9 February, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia | Adoption of the Assembly Declaration (Assembly/AU/Decl.8 (XXXII) on the African Union Theme of the Year The dialogue brought together a wide variety of partners including Mr. Filippo Grandi, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, the AUC Chairperson, principals of key UN partners and AU Member States to deliberate on the challenges of addressing root causes and finding durable solutions to forced displacement in the continent.  |
| **9** | Mobilizing the role of parliamentarian action and solidarity through Regional Parliamentarians Continental Consultative Meeting: Year of Refugees, IDPs and Returnees  | Workshop involving Pan-African Parliament’s Committees on Immigration Matters and Justice and Human RightsSpecial Segment of the Fifth PAP Ordinary Session focusing on the Theme of the Year.  | 5-6 March 2019, Midrand, South Africa13 May 2019, Johannesburg, South Africa | The workshop created awareness among MPs about the 2019 theme and allowed them space to contribute to the exploration of durable solutions to forced displacement in Africa. PAP adopted recommendations and resolutions outlining key areas of action by members of PAP and other stakeholders in relation to the Theme of the Year.  |
| **10** | Promote global solidarity through a Regional Consultative Meetings on Solidarity and Responsibility Sharing: Socio-Economic Inclusion and Solutions within the framework of the Global Compact on Refugees  |  High-Level Side Event on the Margins of TICAD 7 on the theme “Towards Enhanced Partnership and Solidarity to Support Forcibly Displaced Persons in Africa” | 28-30 August 2018Yokohama, Japan | The Side Event highlighted the plight of refugees but also underlined the importance of new partnerships and approaches. Participants encouraged the Ugandan Government to share its good practices with other countries in Africa since the model has proved successful. Similarly, participants were keen to learn from Equity Bank the feedback from beneficiaries and strategies in place to expand participation. |
| **11** | Achieve pledges on ratification and adoption of new laws and policies through the Continental Consultative Meeting on the Promotion, Ratification and Implementation of the Kampala Convention  | Promote ratification of the OAU Convention on Refugees and the AU Convention on IDPs. | 21 June 2019, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia | South Sudan ratified the Kampala Convention |
| **12** | Popularization of the 2009 AU Kampala Convention on IDPs  | Consultative Conference on Kampala Convention to be held in December 2019 | **FORTHCOMING** | **FORTHCOMING IN DECEMBER 2019** |
| **13** | Raise awareness about protection issues in mixed migration situations through events including the Continental Consultative Meeting on Managing Migration through Youth Employment and Protection Sensitive Responses to Mixed Movement | **FORTHCOMING** | **FORTHCOMING, CAIRO, EGYPT, 22-24 OCTOBER 2019Cairo, Egypt** | **FORTHCOMING**  |
| **14** | Finalization of the draft Protocol on Nationality and eradication of statelessness through organization of Extraordinary Meeting of STC and the Continental Consultative Meeting Eradication of Statelessness  | Protocol finalised | To be considered by the STC on Justice and Legal Affairs scheduled for November 2019 | **Outcome of the STC on Justice and Legal Affairs in November awaited.** |  |
| **15** | Popularization of the 1969 OAU Refugee Convention  | High-Level Commemorative Ceremony and Continental Meeting (CCM) on the implementation of the 1969 OAU Refugee Convention Signing of an MOU on the establishment of an ETM in Rwanda on the exact 50th anniversary date of the 1969 OAU Refugee Convention |  19-20 June 2019, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia10 September 2019Addis Ababa, Ethiopia | The CCM marked the 50th Anniversary and encouraged all AU Member States to ratify, domesticate and implement the OAU Refugees Convention.On September 10, 2019, the Government of Rwanda, UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, and the African Union have signed a Memorandum of Understanding to set up a transit mechanism for evacuating refugees and asylum seekers out of Libya. Under the agreement, the Government of Rwanda will receive and provide protection to refugees and asylum-seekers, as well as others identified as particularly vulnerable and at-risk, who are currently being held in detention centres in Libya. The first batch of 66 refugees from Libya was transferred to Rwanda on 26 September 2019. |  |
| **16** | African Union Humanitarian Summit | **POSTPONED**  | **POSTPONED** | **POSTPONED TO 2020 WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE AU THEME “SILENCING THE GUNS: CREATING CONDUCIVE CONDITIONS FOR SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.** |  |
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