

Annual Report on World Humanitarian Summit Commitments - Ukraine 2016



Stakeholder Information

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Region Europe City and Country where Headquartered Kiev, Ukraine

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(1B) Act early

Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine calls on the UN Secretariat to provide a regularized background briefing to the Council for greater situational awareness, in line with Article 34 of the Charter.	Advocacy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts
Ukraine requests that the Secretary-General develop a comprehensive plan to strengthen conflict prevention at the United Nations based on lessons learnt.	Policy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts
Ukraine will support the United Nations in convening a World Prevention Forum by 2020 to identify how Member States, the UN Secretariat, the Security Council and regional organizations can work more effectively together on conflict prevention and resolution.	Policy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to act early upon potential conflict situations based on early warning findings and shared conflict analysis, in accordance with international law.	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts
Commit to make successful conflict prevention visible by capturing, consolidating and sharing good practices and lessons learnt.	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

Achievements at a glance

On 16 September 2016, the UN Secretary-General resumed the practice of the Secretariat's briefings for the Members of the Security Council on situations that may threaten the maintenance of international peace and security (the so-called "situation awareness briefings").

Ukraine has actively supported the new UN Secretary-General in his aspirations to strengthen the Organization's capacity in the field of conflict prevention, including by triggering the reforms that will address, among other things, bolstering the mediation capabilities and good offices of the UN Secretariat and the Secretary General personally. On 10 January 2017, Deputy Foreign Minister of Ukraine Sergiy Kyslytsya took part in the UN Security Council open debate on conflict prevention.

Ukraine will support the United Nations in convening a World Prevention Forum by 2020.



1C Remain engaged and invest in stability

Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine will improve the skills of staff working on conflict analysis, prevention and resolution in national ministries, regional and international organizations by holding targeted trainings.	Training	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to improve prevention and peaceful resolution capacities at the national, regional and international level improving the ability to work on multiple crises simultaneously.	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts
Commit to sustain political leadership and engagement through all stages of a crisis to prevent the emergence or relapse into conflict.	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts
Commit to address root causes of conflict and work to reduce fragility by investing in the development of inclusive, peaceful societies.	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

Achievements at a glance

A series of trainings on conflict prevention and resolution, as well as mediation were held in order to improve the skills of staff of the Ministry of Temporarily Occupied Territories and IDPs of Ukraine (MTOT) as well as representatives of other relevant agencies. In particular, a training on negotiation process for conflict resolution based on the experience of the Northern Ireland was held in November 2016. It was organized with the financial support of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland.

The MTOT of Ukraine and the Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue (Switzerland) held a training on strategic approaches to resolution of armed conflict in certain areas of Donetsk and Luhansk regions in November 2016.

Representatives of the Ministry of Defense, Ministry of Information Policy, General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and other entities also took part in the trainings.

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Develop solutions with and for people

Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine commits to strengthening the active participation of women and youth in peacebuilding.	Operational	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts Leave No One Behind

Achievements at a glance

The Ministry of the Temporarily Occupied Territories and IDPs of Ukraine and the Ukrainian women's fund have been designated the beneficiaries of the USAID project «Economic opportunities for the conflict-affected people", which aims at empowering IDPs and hosting communities through job-creation and supporting small business.

The Ministry of Youth promotes campaign "No Hate Speech Movement" aiming to reduce the levels of hate speech. This also includes peace-building with active youth participation.

In November 2016, the All-Ukrainian youth organization "Association KVN Ukraine" implemented project "No Hate Speech Movement" to counter hate speech in communication, mass media and on-line. Also implemented project aimed at reducing discrimination and human rights violations in June 2016 in Eastern Ukraine.

International workshop was held in November 2016. The purpose was to develop the skills of those working with youth to promote and support the initiatives to involve young people into the educational response to hate speech.

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Keywords

Gender

Agenda for Humanity

 ☑ 3D - Empower and protect women and girls
 ☑ 3F - Enable adolescents and young people to be agents of positive transformation



Respect and protect civilians and civilian objects in the conduct of hostilities

Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine will take steps to adopt domestic legislation to prohibit the use of schools and places of worship in support of the military effort.	Policy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

Achievements at a glance

The relevant ministries, designated responsible for this issue in WHS Plan of Action, which was adopted by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, remain seized of the matter.

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☑ Religious engagement



2B Ensure full access to and protection of the humanitarian and medical missions

Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine commits to ensure that women and girls are equally protected under international humanitarian law and receive medical care without adverse distinction as the "wounded or sick" by 2018.	Operational	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity Leave No One Behind
Ukraine will adopt clear, simple and expedited procedures to allow and facilitate rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian relief through developing national humanitarian legislation.	Policy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

Achievements at a glance

The Ministry of Temporarily Occupied Territories and IDPs drafted the Law of Ukraine amending the Law of Ukraine "On humanitarian aid". Its adoption would allow to establish clear, simple and accelerated procedures for rapid and unimpeded delivery of humanitarian aid.

To ensure smooth delivery of international humanitarian assistance to the non-government controlled territories in eastern Ukraine, amendments were made to the Order № 415 of June 12, 2015 regarding the Control of the Movement of People, Transport Vehicles and Cargo across the Contact Line within Donetsk and Luhansk regions. They aim to simplify procedure of crossing the contact line for humanitarian cargo.

The Ministry of Social Policy approved the list of international humanitarian organizations, which are subject to simplified procedure for crossing the contact line to deliver humanitarian assistance to the non-government controlled areas (available at www.msp.gov.ua/en).

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2D Take concrete steps to improve compliance and accountability

Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine commits to designate focal points in relevant government branches responsible for promoting respect for international humanitarian and human rights law.	Operational	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
Ukraine commits to developing and implementing strategies for the engagement of men and boys as part of the solution to prevent and respond to gender-based violence.	Operational	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
Ukraine commits to support local women-led groups, including in the framework of programs and projects aimed at prevention and response to gender-based violence, providing assistance to conflict-affected people, promoting gender equality in post-conflict recovery through implementing annually at least 25 social projects and delivering social services, at a minimum, to 2500 persons.	Operational	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity Leave No One Behind

Achievements at a glance

To raise awareness among men and boys on gender-based violence the campaign "16 days against violence" is held annually in November and December. It aims to promote non-violent ideology in society. The activities include coordination meetings, educational and training events, conferences, legal education weeks and thematic literature exhibitions and are widely covered in the media.

In order to protect women's rights the project "Response to acute humanitarian needs of the most vulnerable women and adolescent girls affected by the armed conflict in eastern Ukraine" is implemented in Ukraine. Its objectives include strengthening multi-sectoral coordination, protection and prevention systems and enhancing access of GBV survivors to legal, health and psychological services. There are 26 mobile teams providing social and psychological services to GBV survivors. The relevant ministries, designated responsible for this issue in WHS Plan of Action, which was adopted by the Government of Ukraine, remain seized of the matter.

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Uphold the rules: a global campaign to affirm the norms that safeguard humanity

Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine calls for the holding of regular meetings of States and experts on the implementation of international humanitarian law, and offers to host, with donors' support, such a meeting in Ukraine.	Partnership	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
Ukraine commits to engage constructively in an intergovernmental process to find agreement on the functions and features of a potential forum of States on international humanitarian law and ways to enhance the implementation of international humanitarian law, in conformity with resolution 2 of the 32nd International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent in 2015.	Partnership	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

Achievements at a glance

Delegation of Ukraine took part in the meeting to enhance the implementation of the international humanitarian law, held in Geneva from November 28-29, 2016 in accordance with the resolution "Strengthening compliance with international humanitarian law", adopted during 32nd International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent. The meeting agreed upon key logistical and technical aspects of the governmental process for ensuring respect for the IHL, particularly on approximate date for the next meeting, which shall take place in first half of 2017.

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Accountability to affected people



3A) Reduce and address displacement

Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine will continue developing national legislation for the protection of internally displaced persons, refugees and persons in need of protection.	Policy	Leave No One Behind
Ukraine will continue the implementation of the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and its 1967 Protocol.	Policy	Leave No One Behind
Ukraine will continue to integrate refugees and persons in need of protection pursuant to the action plan on integration of refugees and persons in need of protection into Ukrainian society until 2020.	Operational	Leave No One Behind
Ukraine will cooperate with interested institutions and international organizations, particularly with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, to achieve clear outcomes in protecting the rights of refugees and persons in need of protection.	Operational	Leave No One Behind
Ukraine will expand opportunities for refugees and persons in need of protection to access education, health care, livelihoods and other services, without discrimination, and in a manner which also supports host communities.	Operational	Leave No One Behind
Ukraine will provide access to quality education to all internally displaced persons following their displacement.	Operational	Leave No One Behind
Ukraine will put in place improved data collection and analysis system to identify and monitor the needs and required skillsets of internally displaced persons.	Operational	Leave No One Behind
Ukraine will support consultative process to develop regional frameworks to protect and address the needs of internally displaced persons, based on the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement.	Policy	Leave No One Behind

Achievements at a glance

In order to protect IDPs Ukraine set up the unified database for IDPs and simplified registering procedure. The Ministry of Temporarily Occupied Territories and IDPs was established. Integrated state program for support, social adaptation and reintegration of IDPs was adopted.

Detailed information on IDPs human rights protection is available on the web site of the Ministry of Justice (http://old.minjust.gov.ua/section/548).

In 2016 Ukraine was visited by Mr. W.Swing, Director General of the International Organization for Migration (October 6-7, 2016) and Mr. F.Grandi, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (November 21-24, 2016).

Migration Service of Ukraine has been implementing "An Action plan on integration of refugees and persons in need of subsidiary protection into Ukrainian society until 2020", approved by the Government of Ukraine. Progress reports are prepared and submitted to the Government twice a year.

Next step to advance implementation in 2017

Draft Law was developed to amend the Law on refugees and persons in need of subsidiary or temporary protection, which provides framework for protection of refugees and persons in need of protection, as well as their integration.



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(3D) Empower and protect women and girls

Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine commits that funding, including pooled funds, is allocated only to funding actions that explicitly include a gender analysis with sex and age disaggregated data by 2018.	Financial	Leave No One Behind
Ukraine commits to ensure national accountability mechanisms to monitor the extent to which gender equality and women's empowerment is implemented in crisis settings.	Operational	Leave No One Behind
Ukraine commits to ensure that women and girls are equally protected under international humanitarian law and receive medical care without adverse distinction as the "wounded or sick" by 2018.	Operational	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity Leave No One Behind
Ukraine commits to implement General Recommendation 30 of the CEDAW Committee on Women in Conflict and Post-Conflict Situations.	Policy	Leave No One Behind
Ukraine commits to provide capacity-building and mentoring support to women's groups and volunteers to double current absorption capacity of women's groups by 2018.	Capacity	Leave No One Behind
Ukraine commits to strengthening the active participation of women and youth in peacebuilding.	Operational	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts Leave No One Behind
Ukraine commits to support local women-led groups, including in the framework of programs and projects aimed at prevention and response to gender-based violence, providing assistance to conflict-affected people, promoting gender equality in post-conflict recovery through implementing annually at least 25 social projects and delivering social services, at a minimum, to 2500 persons.	Operational	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity Leave No One Behind

Achievements at a glance

The National Human Rights Strategy until 2020 and its Plan of Implementation provide framework for ensuring equal rights and opportunities for women and men, preventing and combating discrimination against women.

Twenty centers for social and psychological assistance, which provide social services and temporary shelter to women who find themselves in difficult life situations and crises, were established. In 2016, the centers provided assistance to more than 5,000 women.

In June 2016, a training workshop "Women in times of conflict: actions and hopes" was held. About 50 representatives of women's NGOs from all over Ukraine, who took part in the event, discussed the role of women in conflict prevention and peace-building as well as the situation of the IDPs from Eastern Ukraine.

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(3E) Eliminate gaps in education for children, adolescents and young people

Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine will provide access to quality education to all internally displaced persons following their displacement.	Operational	Leave No One Behind

Achievements at a glance

Legislation is in place to ensure state support for the children, registered as internally displaced persons, to get access to vocational and higher education.

Challenges faced in implementation

Procedure and conditions of granting targeted assistance for acquiring vocational and higher education to the children registered as IDPs are yet to be determined by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

Next step to advance implementation in 2017

The Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine has developed the draft decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine "On Procedure and conditions of granting targeted assistance for acquiring vocational and higher education" which is in the process of being finalized by the ministries concerned.

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SF Enable adolescents and young people to be agents of positive transformation

Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine commits to strengthening the active participation of women and youth in peacebuilding.	Operational	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts Leave No One Behind

Achievements at a glance

In June 2016, the Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine supported the holding of the training workshop "Women in times of conflict: actions and hopes". About 50 representatives of women's NGOs from all over Ukraine, who took part in the event, discussed the role of women in conflict prevention and peace-building as well as the situation of the IDPs from eastern Ukraine. The Ministry of Youth and Sport of Ukraine promotes campaign "No Hate Speech Movement" led by the Council of Europe. The campaign aims at reducing the levels of hate speech and developing online youth participation. The campaign also includes peace-building with active youth participation.

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(4A) Reinforce, do not replace, national and local systems

Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine commits to convene periodic, inclusive national dialogue platforms with civil society, youth, women's groups and others to ensure their concerns are addressed early on.	Partnership	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need

Achievements at a glance

The Ministry of Temporarily Occupied Territories and Internally Displaced Persons has been cooperating with the non-governmental organizations, representatives of youth, women and other groups on effective and immediate response to the challenges facing the internally displaced persons. In November 2016, the representatives of the Ministry took part in an interactive dialogue on challenges faced by the internally displaced women, organized by the UN-Women.

On 21 December 2016, the Luhansk regional youth organization "AMI-East" with the support of the UNHCR Office in Ukraine and the Ministry of Youth and Sport of Ukraine held a round-table entitled "Harmony in Diversity. Building the principles of tolerance in the inclusive space of education". The event aimed at promoting educational programs for children and youth based on the principles of the tolerance and inclusiveness, engaging children into active lifestyle.

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girls	children, adolescents and young people





Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Ukraine commits to work with interested institutions and international organizations to achieve clear outcomes and develop required financial and operational tools, in particular to establish a Multi- Partner Trust Fund for Peacebuilding and Recovery in Ukraine.	Financial	Invest in Humanity

Achievements at a glance

In accordance with the Order of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine Nº 689 dated 22 September 2016, the Memorandum on mutual understanding regarding the establishment of the Multi-Partner Trust Funds was signed by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, the United Nations and the World Bank in October 2016. This financial mechanism aims to support the process of peacebuilding and recovery in Eastern Ukraine (Donetsk, Luhansk, Kharkiv, Dnipropetrovsk and Zaporizhzhia regions). Respective activities will be co-funded by the UN and the World Bank.