

No Lost Generation workplan for 2018

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Background and purpose of No Lost Generation

The No Lost Generation initiative is a concerted effort by donors, UN agencies, NGOs and governments to ensure that children and young people affected by the crises in Syria and Iraq have access to education, protection and opportunities to engage positively in their community and society. It is co-led by UNICEF, Mercy Corps, Save the Children and World Vision. Initiated by key humanitarian donors in 2013, the initiative is comprised of programming and advocacy under three pillars: Education, Child Protection and Adolescents & Youth – and covers Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Turkey, Iraq, and Egypt.

The No Lost Generation phase II concept note developed jointly by operational partners at the regional level in MENA in December 2015 states that the initiative *will function as a strategic framework [...] that is informed by the current situation, but remains flexible to respond to the changing dynamics, within Syria and refugee movements in the region and beyond*. It goes on to state that *How the future of Syria and the sub-region will look depends on how well all stakeholders adopt a shared vision to best address the needs of an entire generation of marginalized and vulnerable children¹, adolescents², youth³ and communities*. 2018 is the third year of phase II, which was envisioned by partners as a 3-5 year period.

The establishment of the No Lost Generation framework has allowed stakeholders beyond the humanitarian sector to contribute to No Lost Generation goals in phase II; including private sector companies (mainly from the tech sector), student groups and individual citizens.

The programming element of No Lost Generation is embedded in the Humanitarian Response Plans for Syria and Iraq; and the Regional Refugee Response Plan for the Syria crisis. Thus the relevant sectoral coordination mechanisms lead on the design, monitoring and reporting of all No Lost Generation programming. No Lost Generation operational partners convene at the regional level in MENA in a Working Group to steer the initiative, and agree and implement joint actions in support of No Lost Generation goals.

Purpose of this document

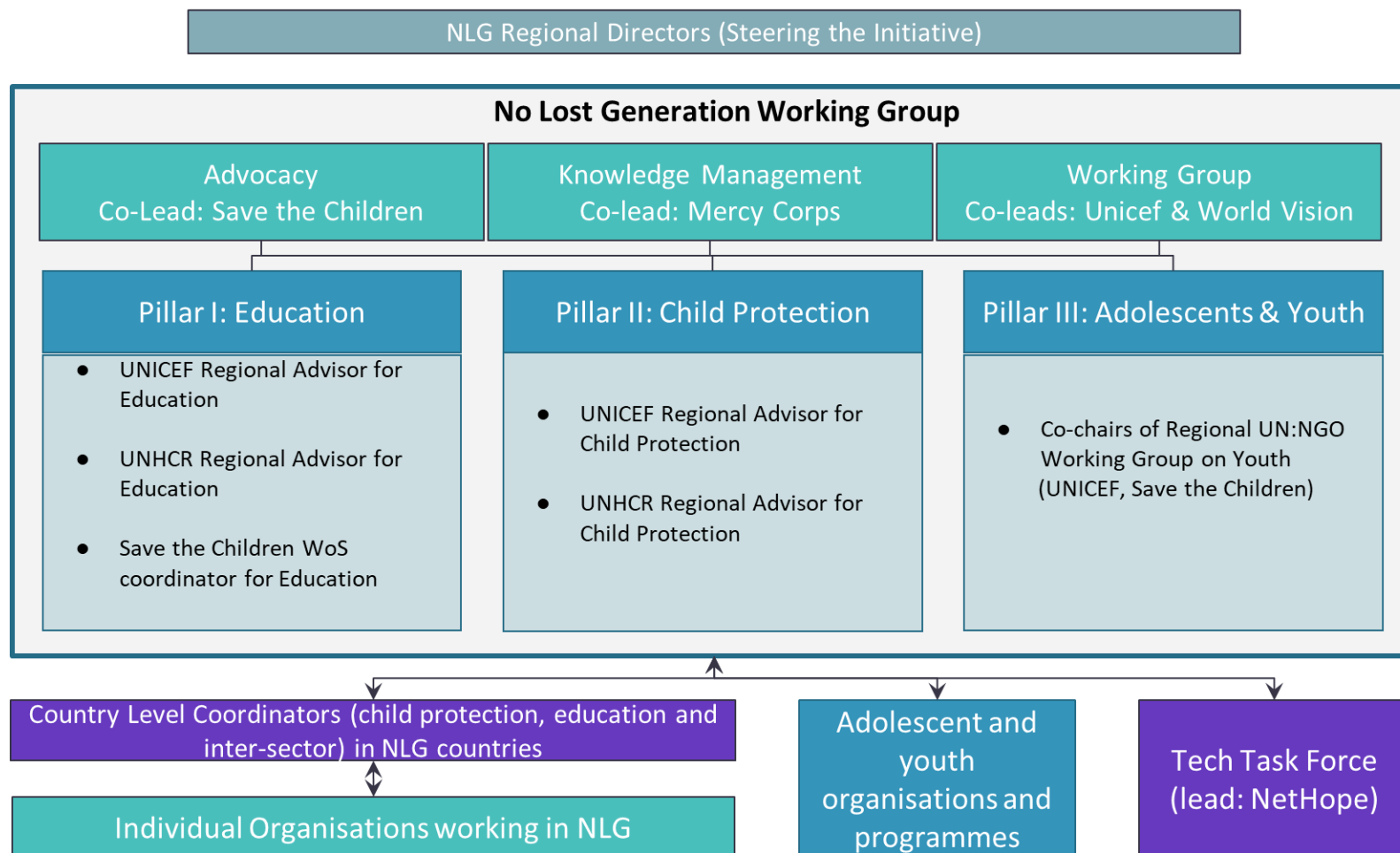
This document outlines the 2018 objectives for the No Lost Generation regional level Working Group and the actions to be taken jointly by these partners during the year in support of these objectives, which relate in turn to the goals set out in the No Lost Generation concept note for phase II. This document does not cover the country-level programmatic aspect of No Lost Generation which is embedded in the joint humanitarian / resilience response plans; and organised through the relevant Humanitarian / Resilience Coordination mechanisms.

¹ 0-17 years old

² Within No Lost Generation adolescents are defined as those between the ages of 10 and 19 years

³ Within No Lost Generation youth are defined as those between the ages of 15 and 24 years

No Lost Generation Organisation Structure



A regional level working group co-led by UNICEF, Mercy Corps, Save the Children and World Vision includes the following partners: ACTED, ActionAid, CARE, Dan Church Aid, the Danish Refugee Council, Finn Church Aid, Heartland Alliance, Human Rights Watch, ILO, International Medical Corps, Intersos, IOM, the International Rescue Committee, NetHope, The Norwegian Refugee Council, OCHA, Plan International, Relief International, Terre des hommes, UNHCR, UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF, Un Ponte Per, UNRWA, UN Women, Warchild, WHO, WFP and Y-PEER.

Achievements at the regional level so far in phase II of No Lost Generation

2018 will be the third – and potentially final - year in phase II of No Lost Generation (defined as a 3 to 5 year period starting in 2016). An evaluation of the initiative to date is planned in 2018 and will inform the decision-making about the direction and design of No Lost Generation in 2019 and beyond, as well as providing learning for other similar initiatives (current and future).

Under the No Lost Generation initiative millions of children and young people have been reached with programming under Education and Child Protection; as well as interventions designed to afford adolescents and youth with positive social, civic and economic engagement activities. In complement to these country level programme results, activities undertaken by partners at the regional level in support of No Lost Generation goals targeted supporters and decision-makers in the region and the wider international community; as well as supporting the programming through provision of strategic direction and facilitating exchange, learning and cooperation between operational actors. This section focuses on this regional level work.

So far phase II of No Lost Generation has seen partners articulate agreed programmatic goals and strategies for the initiative and develop an agreed set of key messages to support advocacy and communications. Regular reports (2 per year), newsletters (initiated in 2017) and Education sector updates have maintained the flow of information on results and challenges to the wider partnership including policy makers focused on the Syria and Iraq crises.

The regional level No Lost Generation partnership was strengthened with a dedicated UNICEF coordinator and NGO co-leads in place by mid-2016. Ten new humanitarian / development organisations joined the initiative in phase II, and major donors such engaged bilaterally and through a series (2-3 per year) of donor briefings on No Lost Generation. Major donors to No Lost Generation in Phase II included Australia, Bernard Van Leer Foundation, Canada, Denmark, Dubai Cares, European Union humanitarian aid, EU Regional Trust Fund in Response to the Syrian Crisis, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Korea, Kuwait, the Malala Fund, Norway, Open Society Foundation, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, United Kingdom and the United States.

Partners used the NLG platform during phase II to collaborate on improvements to the Syria HRP and 3RP tracking systems to improve the visibility of adolescents and youth in reporting on needs and results. Partners also used the NLG platform to develop and agree strategic sub-regional frameworks on Child Protection and Child Labour.

A new workstream to engage tech sector actors in support of NLG programming kicked off with an Ed Tech event and the disbursement of \$200k in seed funding for tech based project collaborations in support of NLG goals. Further work, including the establishment of a platform for private sector engagement in No Lost Generation (Tech Task Force) and symposium in Silicon Valley resulted in the setup of 4 tech-humanitarian project based collaborations to address challenges identified by young people in NLG countries, involving tech actors such as Skype, Microsoft, Pluralsight, Salesforce, Adobe and Cisco.

Also in support of the programmatic work at country level, in phase II partners used the NLG regional platform to share evidence, promote good practice in cross-sector programming areas and collaborate on knowledge management. Specific collaborations included a workshop and follow up actions to improve the programming base on Early Childhood Care and Development; establishment of a regular (annual) Evidence Symposium on Adolescents and Youth in which young people have a leadership role; and a Summit on Psychosocial Programming for Adolescents and Youth.

Advocacy work so far in phase II has seen No Lost Generation as part of the agenda in the pledging conferences for the Syria crisis in 2016 (London) and 2017 (Helsinki, Brussels), as well as finding space in other fora, such as a side event at the 2016 World Humanitarian Summit and in the 2017 UN General Assembly opening week. #NoLostGeneration reached over 111m people at its peak in phase II. No Lost Generation also featured as a theme in fora such as the EU parliament and a panel event hosted by a congressman in the US.

Phase II also saw the addition of 5 new NLG champions (influential individuals who publicly support the initiative): Muzoon Almellehan; Dr. Al Meraikhi, the Humanitarian Envoy to the UN Secretary General; Panos Moumtzis, the Regional Humanitarian Coordinator for the Syria crisis; the artist Priyanka Chopra, and the author Ishmael Beah. A series of over 50 student-led groups established in the US under a PRM virtual internship scheme advocated on refugee issues in their communities, raised funds in support of No Lost Generation programmes, and contributed their time through volunteering.

Improvements and adjustments in 2018

Increased accountability for all stakeholders:

2018 will see humanitarian and development No Lost Generation partners using a set of agreed objectives for their collective regional level No Lost Generation work, as well as indicators to measure progress. They will engage their regional level Directors in reviewing and endorsing this results framework, and holding them to account for achievements against it.

Regional level partners will also strengthen efforts to hold the wider No Lost Generation partnership (including donors and policy makers) to account for the funding and policy shifts they have promised to provide in support of the achievement of No Lost Generation goals.

Finally, partners will also collaborate to facilitate an external evaluation of the No Lost Generation initiative in 2018, which will allow for transparent collective learning and inform decision-making about the future scope and direction of the initiative.

Systematic incorporation of gender analysis

One of the key aspects of No Lost Generation which partners intend to continue to improve in 2018 is ensuring that all activities contribute to gender equality and have a positive impact on the immediate needs of girls and boys while considering a longer-term gender transformative agenda.

2018 will see intensified efforts to increase awareness on issues facing adolescent girls and women; strengthen capacity of stakeholders and practitioners on gender equality programming; and promote both a gender and disability lens in No Lost Generation programming and advocacy objectives; and enhance reporting and evidence through sex disaggregated data.

Specific efforts in 2018 will include: delivery of a learning webinar open to all partners at regional and country level; coordinating a donor briefing on gender; and incorporation of both gender and disability into the Evaluation of No Lost Generation to identify gaps and inform future work across the initiative.

Strengthened communications and messaging:

Partners have agreed to strengthen the extent to which they use their own agency specific channels to amplify No Lost Generation messaging, and to support this a social media pack will accompany all major No Lost Generation events and moments. This precludes the need for any No Lost Generation specific social media platforms to be set up.

2018 will see the establishment of a new and enhanced dual language No Lost Generation website, and an extension of the available No Lost Generation information and products available in Arabic.

More focused efforts:

In addition to a comprehensive set of key messages, partners have agreed advocacy and thematic priorities (please see annexes to this document) in order to prioritise opportunities and channel collective work to achieve maximum impact. Activities which do not contribute to the achievement of agreed goals will be deprioritised.

One of the unique characteristics of No Lost Generation is its inter-sector nature. In 2018 partners intend to further capitalise on this by ensuring that planned joint activities are exploiting the potential to promote inter-sector programming, reduce sectoral earmarking and communicate about the priorities of children and young people in a holistic way.

Promoting attention to social and economic development issues:

Recognising the importance of development strategies, actors and funding sources in achieving No Lost Generation goals, and the power of No Lost Generation to shift thinking beyond humanitarian response alone, partners will further strengthen this aspect of No Lost Generation advocacy and messaging in 2018. Greater emphasis will be put on the importance of social cohesion and employability in securing a prosperous future for the current generation of children and young people; and advocacy will seek to ensure that post-crisis funding structures prioritise investment in the human capital that the current generation represents. Engagement with the World Bank will be strengthened and relationships with other influential development actors in the region will also be explored.

Improved ways of working:

The average level of satisfaction with the coordination of the initiative from partners in the regional level working group in 2017 was 7.5/10, from a survey that had a 59% response rate; slightly down from 8/10 with a 64% response rate in 2016. Agreed adjustments in ways of working will focus on: 1. establishing clearer SOPs (including rationale and value add) for NLG events, products and champions; 2. streamlining meetings and email communication within the group (including disbanding the advocacy task force); 3. focusing efforts a core set of agreed thematic priorities which speak to the specific potential of No Lost Generation as a strategic inter-sector platform; and 4. maintaining a collective identity in No Lost Generation communications (rather than visibility of any one partner above others).

No Lost Generation goals

The goals that No Lost Generation partners jointly set out for phase II of the initiative⁴ are as follows:

- Children and youth have access to certified quality education;
- Children, including adolescents, benefit from a protective environment;
- Adolescents and youth are supported to contribute to resilience and social cohesion in their communities; and
- In line with national legislation frameworks, youth have expanded livelihoods opportunities.

Objectives of No Lost Generation Working Group in 2018

Whilst programming and advocacy work to achieve No Lost Generation goals takes place at country level, at the regional level humanitarian and development partners will continue to collaborate in a working group to achieve the following objectives in order to contribute to the attainment of the No Lost Generation goals: By the end of 2018:

1. Positive and lasting changes for children and young people in No Lost Generation countries are achieved as a result of regional-level strategic efforts to influence decision-makers towards No Lost Generation advocacy objectives. (Advocacy)
2. The funding level for programmes under No Lost Generation pillars in each of the 6 No Lost Generation countries is at least 60% of humanitarian appeal target (Fundraising and accountability)
3. Country level practitioners in No Lost Generation programme areas have access to relevant resources and are guided by strategic frameworks for cross sector programmes, emerging programme areas and innovations (Knowledge management; facilitation of partnerships and other support for cross-sector programming, emerging programme areas and innovation including technology)
4. The voices of children and youth in No Lost Generation countries are raised at all levels through communications and participation in high level events . (Ensuring the voices of children and young people are heard at all levels)

⁴ The first three are stated outcomes for No Lost Generation in the concept note for Phase II; the fourth is a specific objective in that document under pillar III.

What will success look like?

The following key performance indicators will enable partners to track progress towards the objectives outlined above:

Objective	Key Performance Indicator
1. Advocacy	# times and extent to which NLG has contributed to effective accountability mechanisms, behaviour change, and policy roll out through awareness raising and policy advice [no target] # of private and public statements mentioning NLG supporting agreed NLG advocacy calls for 2018 [no target] # of key decision makers or opinion influencers becoming champions of NLG advocacy calls for 2018 [no target] # new policy or other initiatives to address livelihood related concerns of young people (e.g. job creation/access to decent work opportunities, apprenticeship and an entrepreneurship friendly regulatory environment) [no target]
2. Fundraising / accountability	Funding rate for programmes under NLG pillars in NLG countries [target: at least 60% of total requested for NLG in each country in 2018]
3. Knowledge management, facilitation of partnerships and other support for cross-sector programming, emerging programme areas and innovation, including technology.	# of cross-sector frameworks and strategies agreed by NLG partners which support the response in agreed NLG thematic priority areas countries [no target] # of people accessing relevant resources via NLG website [no target] # of people accessing learning and exchange via NLG thematic events [no target] # of new partnerships and resulting initiatives generated through NLG [no target]
4. Ensuring the voices of children and young people are heard at all levels	Proportion of NLG platforms, products and events which feature or focus on the voices of children and / or youth from NLG countries [target: 100%] Proportion of high level panels/events related to NLG that include direct involvement of children and young people [target: 100%]

Activities to be undertaken by No Lost Generation co-leads and partners

Objective 1: Positive and lasting changes for children and young people in No Lost Generation countries are supported as a result of regional-level strategic efforts to influence decision-makers towards No Lost Generation advocacy objectives. (Advocacy)⁵

- Undertake **joint advocacy initiatives – including producing and disseminating policy briefs, reports and other products - at key moments** to promote No Lost Generation goals or No Lost Generation advocacy objectives for 2018.
- Collaborate on advocacy initiatives with regional and global level coalitions where this adds value and / or efficiencies.
- Generate No Lost Generation **communications content making the case for investment** in and attention to children, adolescents and youth as a strategic priority.
- Share No Lost Generation advocacy messages and communications content via partners' own platforms more systematically.
- Include advocacy and highlight agreed advocacy messages and calls for 2018 in all No Lost Generation thematic events.
- **Maintain and support a cohort of No Lost Generation Champions** who promote No Lost Generation goals and push for changes outlined in No Lost Generation advocacy objectives wherever possible in their private and public communications.

Objective 2: The funding level for programmes under No Lost Generation pillars in each of the 6 No Lost Generation countries is at least 60% of appeal target (Fundraising / accountability)

- Ensure that No Lost Generation is highlighted in the relevant appeal documents (HRPs for Syria and Iraq; 3RP).
- Support the **development of a funding observatory** for the Syria crisis that provides evidence-based analysis of funding and results.
- Develop mechanisms to track the volume, funding levels and results for programming reaching adolescents and youth in Iraq (this is currently a gap)
- Provide **annual reports on No Lost Generation achievements at the country and regional level**, in addition to the regular reports generated through the 3RP and HRP reporting processes, with summary versions available in Arabic.
- Engage regularly with the donor community through **2-3 No Lost Generation briefings at regional level**, with each briefing focusing on a specific theme or programme area (likely themes are civil documentation, sexual violence, and gender).
- Generate a **quarterly No Lost Generation newsletter** containing case studies illustrating the impact of specific interventions.
- **Meet with major donors** to No Lost Generation bilaterally as feasible / required to brief them on the initiative, advocacy objectives and funding levels.
- Use opportunities such as events and partners' networks to **engage with donors who have little or no previous engagement with No Lost Generation** and encourage their support.

⁵ Please see Annex 1 for agreed 2018 advocacy objectives.

Objective 3: Programmatic responses at country level have been strengthened as a result of regional level strategic direction-setting and knowledge management for cross sector programmes, emerging areas and innovations (Support for cross-sector programming, emerging programme areas and innovation)⁶

- Establish and maintain a **renewed No Lost Generation website** responsive to the needs of different audiences, with Arabic language content.
- Maintain a **curated online knowledge repository** linked to existing websites and knowledge bases of partners, to promote good practice & evidence in cross-sectoral programming, emerging areas and innovations relevant to No Lost Generation.
- Produce a **series of 6-8 webinars** to showcase different programme approaches (including private sector / No Lost Generation partner collaborations and gender) and foster exchange and learning.
- **Provide high-level international and regional leadership on certification of learning**, not only for the official exit exams essential for access to tertiary education and quality employment, but also on quality non-formal education and within multiple and alternative pathways of learning.
- Facilitate and support at least **4 private sector / No Lost Generation partner collaborations** in support of No Lost Generation goals through a No Lost Generation Tech Task Force; extract and share the learning from these. Scale programs through NLG partner organizations.
- As well as maintaining the Tech Task Force as a platform for private sector engagement in No Lost Generation, hold **1-2 events engaging the private sector** on agreed thematic priority areas to engage private sector in sharing of existing resources and solutions and co-design of new solutions.
- Produce **monthly NLG Tech Task Force webinars and bi-annual newsletters** to share the innovative solutions and learnings across the humanitarian, private, and public sectors; and initiate new collaborations.
- Hold **2-4 regional level thematic events on agreed thematic priority areas** (workshops, summits, symposia etc.) to share and promote good practice and evidence; build a coalition of actors (including the private sector, academia and others) to strengthen programming in NLG countries.
- Use the **bimonthly No Lost Generation newsletter** to share the latest evidence and learning in relation to No Lost Generation areas, prioritizing agreed thematic priority areas.
- Draw down **resources, evidence and learning from relevant global level** (or other regional level) coalitions working on NLG priority areas
- Establish an **adolescent and youth online observatory** (data warehouse).

Objective 4: The voices of children and youth in No Lost Generation countries are raised at all levels through communications and participation in high level events. (Ensuring the voices of children and young people are heard at all levels)

- **Ensure the voices of children and young people are reflected in all** No Lost Generation events and public outputs (events, reports, products, donor briefings, social media, newsletters etc.) including, where possible, the meaningful participation of children and young people in these events and platforms.
- Use mechanisms such as engagement with the regional adolescent and youth advisory group and its members to **allow the priorities and perspectives of adolescents and young people to feed into No Lost Generation** priorities, platforms and products.
- Systematically share communications material – including multimedia content and human stories – featuring the voices of children and young people for use in No Lost Generation products including reports, social media, newsletters, etc.

⁶ Please see Annex 2 for the agreed thematic priorities 2018 relating to this objective.

- Develop and share **No Lost Generation social media content** for use by all No Lost Generation stakeholders.
- Facilitate the direct participation of adolescents and young people in **private – humanitarian / development** collaborations managed by the NLG Tech Task Force and all events relevant to or organised by No Lost Generation through engagement with the regional adolescent and youth advisory group.⁷

The roles of different partners in the No Lost Generation initiative

The No Lost Generation partners who will undertake the actions listed above comprise around 30 humanitarian or development organisations, including UN agencies and NGOs, each of which has programmes in at least 3 of the 6 No Lost Generation countries. These partners convene in a working group at the regional level and have jointly agreed on the No Lost Generation goals and this regional level workplan. Under the co-leadership of Mercy Corps, Save the Children, UNICEF and World Vision they are responsible for the implementation of this workplan.

Many further operational humanitarian and development actors working at country level, including Community Based Organisations and National NGOs, as well as national and local governments; also contribute to the achievement of NLG goals.

Donors and UN member states are key partners and allies and invited to lead on / contribute to any aspect of this workplan. Major donors to No Lost Generation include the following:



In line with the objectives outlined above, it is proposed that donors and UN member states:

⁷ All child participation under NLG must conform to agreed standards in terms of ethics, confidentiality, permissions and practice; and be consistent with the best interest principle. Participation of adolescents and young people will be facilitated e.g. with support to ensure relevant documentation and support required to engage meaningfully, ie. youth friendly documents, translation into Arabic, interpretation at events and mentoring.

- Continue to fund No Lost Generation programming as set out in the humanitarian plans (the 3RP and the HRP for Syria and Iraq). This can be through non-earmarked funds which are preferable.
- Communicate No Lost Generation in their interventions, social media, reports etc. (some donors have official No Lost Generation champions within their senior leadership; there are agreed criteria for No Lost Generation champions which can be shared on request).
- Initiate their own No Lost Generation events or initiatives.
- Participate in No Lost Generation advocacy and dedicate resources towards the implementation of the NLG advocacy strategy and 2018 plan
- Host / Participate actively in regional level No Lost Generation donor briefings.
- Host / Participate in No Lost Generation events at regional level where evidence and programme approaches are shared and discussed.
- Propose, support and promote the inclusion of thematic No Lost Generation discussions at high level fora related to the Syria and Iraq crises
- Use relevant bilateral and public conversations to push for changes outlined in No Lost Generation advocacy objectives.

The role of No Lost Generation Champions is to promote the initiative's goals and push for changes outlined in No Lost Generation advocacy objectives wherever relevant in their public and private communications.

Thanks to a facilitated No Lost Generation Tech Task Force established and led by Nethope, a growing number of private sector (in particularly tech sector) companies support No Lost Generation programming through 1. Sharing knowledge, expertise and resources from previous or existing collaborations which are relevant to No Lost Generation with humanitarian actors via a webinar series; and 2. collaborations No Lost Generation partners in support of No Lost Generation goals, from which the learning will be extracted and shared. Successful collaborations and innovations will subsequently be scaled up where relevant and feasible.

Members of the public and No Lost Generation support groups – most notably the No Lost Generation student chapters initiated by PRM in the US will continue to be supported by the No Lost Generation partners operating in MENA to promote No Lost Generation goals.

Regional and global level coalitions working on No Lost Generation themes, such as Education Cannot Wait, the Alliance for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action, Theirworld, the Global Education Cluster, the Global level Child Protection AoR, the Syria INGO Regional Forum and the UN Interagency Task Team on Young People in MENA are strong potential allies for different aspects of this workplan, and collaboration with these will be sought wherever this adds value or finds efficiencies. The MENA Regional UN:NGO group on Adolescents and Young People co-chaired by UNICEF and Save the Children leads NLG related work under pillar III.

Monitoring implementation of this workplan

The No Lost Generation working group will lead on the implementation of this workplan and review progress on implementation on a quarterly basis. Regional Directors of No Lost Generation partners in the working group will be invited to review overall progress at year end.

Annex 1: NLG advocacy objectives for 2018

Pillar I – Education

- Donors and host countries fulfil their commitments made at the London and Brussels conferences to get all refugee and vulnerable host community children in quality education and to increase access to learning for out-of-school children inside Syria.
- The international community prioritises education in Iraq as part any humanitarian, recovery or stabilization planning and response.
- Donors are held to account for their 2016 pledge of at least \$1.4 billion per year to education for Syria's children through the creation of a Funding Observatory that accurately tracks education financing.

Pillar II – Child Protection

- The international community is aware of and takes action against violations – including grave violations – of children's rights in Syria and Iraq.
- The international community and national governments ensure that children deemed to be associated with armed groups in Syria and Iraq have full access to their rights in accordance with international and national standards.
- Donors, the humanitarian community and national governments ensure that any discussions about solutions for Syria and Iraq's displaced and refugee families take into account the interest of children and youth first and foremost.

Pillar III – Youth and adolescents

- The international community creates a sustainable and inclusive mechanism at regional level to ensure young people and adolescents affected by the Syria and Iraq crises have access to meaningful and systematic ways of participating in decision-making for matters affecting them.
- Donors and governments in the region perceive young people and adolescents as positive agents of change for their communities, their societies and the futures of their countries.
- Opportunities are expanded to address economic constraints of youth, especially young women and ensure marginalized young women have access to apprenticeships, decent jobs and an entrepreneurship friendly fiscal and regulatory environment.

Annex 2: Thematic priorities for 2018 (in relation to Objective 3: Support for cross-sector programming, emerging programme areas and innovation)

The following priority programme areas which will guide the design of No Lost Generation events (summits, symposia etc.) and communications during 2018.

1. Cross-cutting themes - *broad categories that will be considered across thematic areas of focus throughout the year:*
 - Ensuring programs gather sex and age disaggregated data
 - The role of technology as tool to address cross-sector needs
 - Application of gender and disability lens

2. Thematic Priorities - *key themes that are essential to highlight throughout the year through conferences, knowledge products and conversations:* which should be the focus of No Lost Generation initiatives during the year (includes overarching and subthemes)
 - i. **Legal identity civil documentation, including:**
 - a. prevention of statelessness
 - b. legal / protection for children including those associated with / perceived to have been associated with armed forces and groups
 - c. children in conflict with the law as a result of the armed conflict
 - ii. **Access to learning opportunities; including**
 - a. Life Skills and Citizenship Education (LSCE) as basic skills (link with protection -PSS, and adolescent and youth engagement agenda)
 - b. Learning outside of formal settings (including multiple pathways of learning) and life skills and citizenship education
 - c. Recognition and certification of acquired skills and knowledge
 - iii. **Child labor and child marriage; including**
 - a. Attention to the different threats and levels of access to services for girls and boys
 - iv. **Family Tracing and Reunification; including**
 - a. Prevention of family separation
 - v. **Violence affecting male and female children, adolescents and youth; including**
 - a. Scale up of Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) interventions
 - b. Combating stigmatization of children and youth for their role/alliance/association with militant groups
 - vi. **Engagement and participation for young people; including**
 - a. Engagement opportunities for young people which foster a shared responsibility to eschew conflict, discrimination and violence
 - b. Skills development/vocational education appropriate for income generation opportunities for potential returnees
 - c. Addressing underlying social norms and making space for intergenerational dialogue between older and younger generations to ensure space and appreciation of young people's decision-making power in the household, community and state level
 - d. Access to decent livelihoods for youth, especially gender friendly decent work opportunities for young women
 - vii. **Early Childhood Care and Development, including parenting programmes**

Annex 3: Calendar of events and publications in 2018

The calendar below includes pillar specific activities which are not led by the No Lost Generation Working Group, for the purposes of planning. Not all activities are included, since many are ongoing (e.g. maintenance and use of NLG website; support to NLG champions etc.). Items in bold are confirmed.

month	activity	lead agency	others contributing
January	29 January: NLG Donor Briefing on civil documentation in hosted by Norway, Beirut	UNHCR, NRC	NLG co-leads
	NLG newsletter, Palestine Refugee themed	NLG co-leads, UNRWA	Technical focal points
February	Iraq Reconstruction Conference, Kuwait		
	NLG information webinar on the initiative and plans for 2018 and elicit feedback	NLG co-leads	
	NLG Tech Task Force webinar: How an NGO and a University are Collaborating to Provide Language Training to Displaced Youth	Nethope, NRC	
	21-22 NLG Tech Summit, Amman	WVI	WFP, UNICEF, MCI, NRC, NetHope, UNICEF
	18 February: senior level meeting of NLG partners, Amman	NLG co-leads	UNHCR
March	37 th session of Human Rights Council: High-level panel discussion on attacks against children in Syria		
	15 March: NLG Education Consultation, Amman	UNICEF, UNHCR, Save the Children	Technical focal points
	World Bank Group Spring meetings		
	NLG Tech Task Force webinar	Nethope	
	NLG end of year report 2017	NLG co-leads	Technical focal points
April	3 April: NLG Webinar to present 2018 workplan, work of Tech Task Force and upcoming evaluation	NLG co-leads, Nethope	
	NLG report on results and challenges with a main focus on Education	Education technical focal points	NLG co-leads; other technical focal points
	20-22 April: Spring Meetings of the IMF and WB Group; Washington DC		
	NLG Tech Task Force webinar	Nethope	
	23-24 April: second Brussels Conference on Supporting Syria and the region		
	NLG newsletter	NLG co-leads	Technical focal points
May	NLG newsletter	NLG co-leads	Technical focal points
	NLG Tech Task Force webinar	Nethope	

	NLG donor briefing (tbc)	UNFPA, UNHCR, Plan	NLG co-leads
June	20 June: World Refugee Day		
	NLG Tech Task Force webinar	Nethope	
	8-9 June: G7 Summit, Canada		
	12 June: World Day Against Child Labour; NLG thematic event on Child Labour (tbc)	Plan, Tdh	
July	NLG newsletter		
	NLG Tech Task Force webinar	Nethope	
August	19 August: World Humanitarian Day		
	NLG Tech Task Force webinar	Nethope	
September	NLG Early Childhood Care and Development Workshop, tbc	Plan, Tdh	
	12 September: International Youth Day		
	NLG Tech Task Force webinar	Nethope	
	18-25 September: UN General Assembly Opening Week and adoption of Global Compact on Refugees; possible NLG side event (tbc)		WFP, UNHCR
	NLG Evidence Symposium on Adolescents and Youth followed by donor briefing	UN:NGO group on youth and UNIATTYP	
October	11 October: Day of the Girl Child; NLG event (tbc) on Child Marriage	Plan, Tdh	
	NLG child protection workshop to take stock of progress, data, discuss new protection challenges and way forward, Amman	UNHCR, UNICEF	Plan, Tdh, other NLG partners
	NLG donor briefing, Amman	UNICEF	
	NLG Tech Task Force webinar	Nethope	
	Senior level NLG partners' meeting to discuss findings of NLG evaluation (tbc)	NLG co-leads	
	20-21 October: NLG workshop at Model UN in Qatar	Mercy Corps	
November			
	NLG newsletter	NLG co-leads	
	NLG Tech Task Force webinar	Nethope	
	20 November: Universal Children's Day		
	30 November: opening of G20, Buenos Aires		
December	Launch of humanitarian appeals		
	NLG Tech Task Force webinar	Nethope	