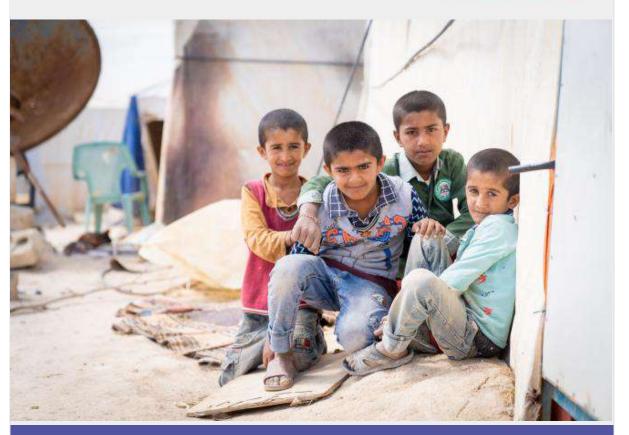
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# PRIVATE SECTOR PARTNERSHIPS: TECHNOLOGY-ENABLED SOLUTIONS TO EDUCATION AND CHILD PROTECTION CHALLENGES

Over one third, or nearly 3 million, school-age Syrian children remain outside of formal or non-formal education. More than 40 per cent of these children are in the age range of 15-17 years – 7 in 10 of whom are inside Syria.

Programs tackling refugee children, adolescents and youth should powerfully contribute to children's realization of their potential, to overcome emotional distress, to bring reconciliation, tackle discrimination, and rebuild societies where children are safeguarded from child labour, child marriage and child recruitment. This newsletter focuses on private sector partnerships, tech programs allowing children to realize their potential, and tech initiatives allowing refugees to overcome barriers to education – including acquiring civil documentation and economic barriers preventing adolescents from accessing education.

Voices of Youth Arabic (VOY A) is a safe and inclusive online platform for young people to express their thoughts, share their ideas and voice their concerns. We encourage you to subscribe to VOY A quarterly newsletter to receive regular updates.

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#### FROM THE FIELD:



#### A multi-sector approach to enhance learning for life

Wael, 14, is a young Syrian boy: bright, brilliant, and warm. He might be seen as just a Syrian refugee in Lebanon today, but it is evident that he has a promising future ahead of him. Wael created a small electric car. learned about robotics and electricity emerging from dynamos, just from using straws, CDs and small, broken engines. Read more about Wael's story <u>here</u>.

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#### **RESOURCES**

Your quarterly digest of resources produced by, or relevant to the NLG initiative. For all previously mentioned resources, please see the NLG Resource Repository.





# Private sector partnerships support school meals across Jordan

One simple question has made thousands of dollars' worth of difference in vulnerable school children's lives. "Would you like to contribute 1JD to feed a hungry child?" spoken by hundreds of Carrefour employees in Jordan has helped school children stay focused in class and grow strong and healthy.

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## Breaking the mould of conventional education (UNFPA)

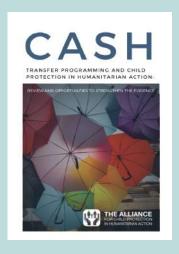


UNFPA Turkey Cross Border Hub works toward redefining the standards of education programs offered to adolescent girls through a pilot robotics programme. In an effort to promote healthy development and foster critical thinking among adolescents, the cross-border hub of UNFPA Turkey and its partner Ihsan have recently introduced a pilot educational robotics program targeting adolescent girls (ages 10 to 16). The programme is designed to provide benefitting adolescents with an introductory course on science and technology, adopting a modern and constructive approach that veers away from the traditional courses that are offered to women and girls.

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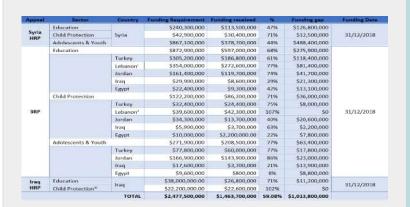


"My name is Diya from Hama in Syria. We came to Turkey with nothing." Diya discovered her life's passion in Turkey: copper engraving. In a man's world, she excelled. But she did not have the tools to start her own business. IOM provided Diya wo was 19 years old at the time with everything needed to start her own copper engraving business in Turkey. "After I received the equipment, I am ready to start my own business and help my parents. I learned it because I love it so much. To me, it is an art and a science. I never want to stop. When I go back to Syria I will continue with my work. It's something new to me and I like it."

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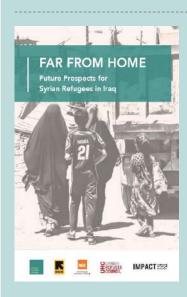
#### **UPDATES:**

#### No Lost Generation Q4 Funding Updates:



**Update on the evaluation of the No Lost Generation partnership:** 







No Lost Generation has undergone an evaluation to objectively assess the achievements and merits of the initiative and draw out lessons learned. The evaluation tested the premise of the NLG influenced different actors to deliver more and better education, child protection, and youth and adolescent programming for children and youth affected by the Syria crisis. The evaluation report is awaiting finalization; in the meantime, please see the inception report linked below for more information.

#### READ THE INCEPTION REPORT FOR THE EVALUATION

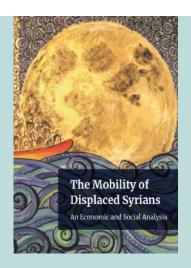
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('Tell Us' in Arabic) is a suite of digital platforms which include a facebook page, website, and mobile app with the goal of meeting refugees' pressing need for reliable and trustworthy information, including civil documentation. Pass it on to your beneficiaries, and contact us to contribute

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#### The MENA Adolescent and Youth Hub



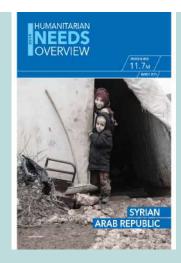


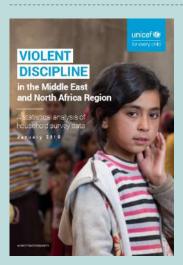




Created by the MENA UN:NGO group on young people, the site is a centralized platform providing access to resources and feedback on key issues of relevance to young people. The site is the primary data and resource hub for the adolescents and youth pillar of the No Lost Generation initiative. With its emphasis on bolstering adolescent and youth engagement, the Hub plays a key role in supporting NLG's third pillar focused on adolescents and youth. Ultimately, the Hub seeks to support and empower young people and those working with young people with the resources to positively shape the present and the future of young people in the MENA region

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#### **KEY PUBLICATIONS:**

## Investing in the Future: Protection and Learning for all Syrian Children and Youth









This report, prepared by No Lost Generation partners at the regional and country levels ahead of the third Brussels Conference on 'Supporting the Future of Syria and the Region' in March 2019 provides an updated overview of the education situation of Syrian children and youth in Syria and the five host countries in the region. Education must remain an urgent priority, as an inalienable human right, and a powerful tool to rebuild what has been destroyed. Ensuring inclusive national education systems, multiple and flexible

pathways to learning, safe schools and social protection/livelihoods opportunities for children and youth and their families remain more crucial than ever.

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## Adolescence Lost: Forced Adulthood and a Fragile Future for Syria's Next Generation



This study explains the conflict from older adolescents' perspective, aged 14 to 19 years, and its consequences on their individual futures and the future of Syria. How are Syria's adolescents perceiving and coping with their current reality, and how has that challenge transformed their individual identities, family and community roles, and personal dreams? After years of unrelenting conflict, how do adolescents feel about being Syrian, and how do they see the future of Syria? After eight years of war, many adolescents have spent more than half of their young lives amidst conflict, violence, and shattered dreams.

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#### **RECENT AND UPCOMING EVENTS:**

## Brussels Conference "Supporting the Future of Syria and the Region"

The 3rd Brussels conference on Supporting the Future of Syria and the Region took place 11th – 14th March 2019, featuring two 'Days of Dialogue' and a high-level ministerial pledging day. Over 1,000 participants and 400 representatives of Syrian NGOs actively debated and participated at the thematic panels, including one co-chaired by UNICEF on behalf of the No Lost Generation (NLG) partnership and ECHO on behalf of the EU. The outcome from the Days of Dialogue was later transmitted to the Ministerial meeting on the 14 March where there were over

80 delegations from 55 countries as well as from regional organizations, financial institutions and UN agencies.

NLG partners contributed to one of the eight panel discussions held on the Days of Dialogue, focused on Education and Child Protection, and co-chaired by ECHO and UNICEF. The session primarily addressed the issue of how to ensure return to safe, quality education for all out of school children, including adolescents.

NLG partners produced a video featuring Aisha, a 16 yearold student-blogger who shared her perspective on the role of young people in influencing policy-making, combating exploitation of children and ending the violations of children's rights.

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#### No Lost Generation (NLG) Tech Summit

June 25-26 in Amman, Jordan



The No Lost Generation (NLG) Tech Summit is a two-day event, designed to connect Learning to Earning for vulnerable adolescents and youth across the Middle East and North Africa. The NLG Tech Summit will bring together youth, private sector companies, development and humanitarian experts, academic institutions and donors to collaborate on the tech-enabled solutions and models that provide pathways for vulnerable adolescents and youth to learn, and connect them to opportunities to access dignified employment. For more information visit <a href="mailto:nlgedtech.com">nlgedtech.com</a> or contact nlgtechsummit@nethope.org.

# Briefing on Participatory Action Research (PAR): A Dialogue with Young Researchers from the MENA Region

April 22 in Amman, Jordan



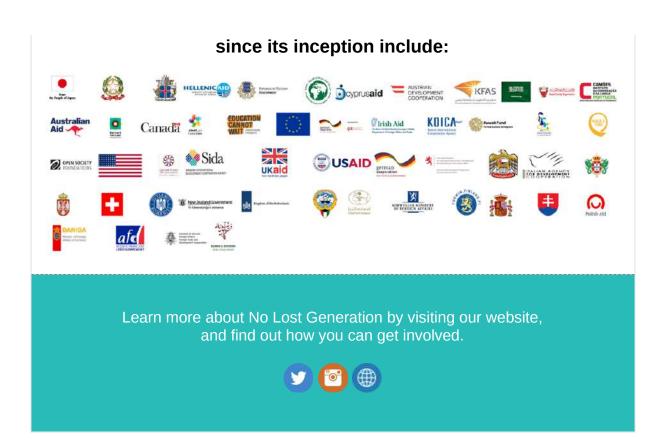
Funded by the EU "Madad" Fund, the PAR project is a systematic adolescent and youth engagement initiative that aims to generate evidence with and for young people – particularly from vulnerable and marginalized backgrounds, to empower them to lead community-based research, and support them in becoming change makers/advocates on issues of concern to them. The briefing centered on research produced by young people from Syria and Syriacrisis-affected countries, providing them a forum to share their main findings and advocate on the issues they have explored and prioritized for action in their communities.

# INTRODUCING CAROLINE ANNING, THE NEW NO LOST GENERATION CO-LEAD FROM WORLD VISION INTERNATIONAL

Caroline Anning is World Vision's Director of Policy and Advocacy for the Syria Response, a role she recently joined after working in humanitarian advocacy, media and communications for Save the Children for the last five years. Caroline is originally from the UK, and her work has taken her to South Sudan, Syria, Iraq, Yemen, Nepal and elsewhere. Before joining the NGO sector she was a journalist with the BBC and others, based in London and Beirut.

Caroline will work together with Katy Barnett and Sawsan Samara, the co-leads from UNICEF and Mercy Corps, respectively.

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