### No Lost Generation initiative E-Newsletter





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### **BACK TO SCHOOL**

With the start of the new school year, many children and their families in this region are faced with a complex web of challenges. Poverty and inequalities, intensified by the effects of the ongoing crises, has deprived millions of children of their right to education. Near 2.8 million Syrian children inside Syria and the five refugee host countries (Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq and Egypt) remain out of school. In Iraq, around 355,000 internally displaced children remain out of school in Iraq, representing 48.3% of the total internally displaced school-age children.

The efforts of the No Lost Generation partners, donors, host governments and education actors, through sustained humanitarian response since 2014 has prevented 2.5 million children from becoming another part of this statistic. But as long as the conflict continues, the scale and severity of the effects on children and youth leaves the international community in an uphill battle against increasing challenges to maintaining access to education.

In this issue of the No Lost Generation newsletter, we have featured some stories of the struggles of children and their families to access education, and how No Lost Generation partners are tackling these challenges; from addressing the school fees, and other related costs through conditional cash-transfer programmes, and food-vouchers, to preparing children with catch-up programmes to later integrate into formal education.

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### FROM THE FIELD:

"Education, Our Future": Six Syrian refugee children tell what it means to be back in school



356,000 refugee children are benefitting from the Conditional Cash Transfer for Education (CCTE) programme in Turkey, providing families with financial support to help support the costs of sending their children to school. Six of them shared their stories in a photo exhibition in Brussels Airport.

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# Catch-up program help out-of-school children in Jordan get back to learning

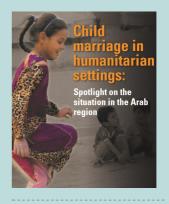


109 catch-up centres in Jordan offer out-of-school children the opportunity to get back into the education system. The Catch-Up programme, implemented by the Ministry of Education in Jordan, provides children accelerated learning opportunities through which they can complete two grades per academic year.

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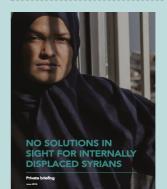
### RESOURCES

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



DURABLE SOLUTIONS FOR INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS IN SYRIA





Better education... better nutrition: How WFP in Egypt is supporting education



Cash and food assistance to Syrian families in Turkey is leading to improvements in the enrollment of school-aged children. The WFP's School Meals Project, which reaches over 24,000 children, helps to alleviate some of the costs in sending children to school by providing families monthly food vouchers conditional on their child's attendance.

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# In Egypt, football builds the skills of refugee children



Terre des Hommes' football programme is bringing young people from different backgrounds and countries together. The programme provides safe spaces for both refugee children and other children to not only play football, but also to develop soft skills of intercultural competence, team-building, leadership, and communication.

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

600 children in Jordan are being provided with a safe environment to develop their emotional, cognitive and social skills that are essential in Early Childhood Care and Development and to succeed at primary school level. World Vision's NOUR project is



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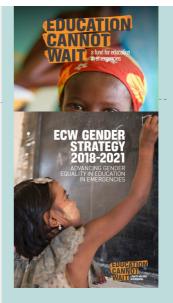
equipping children with the necessary skills through a multisector approach that involves Health, Nutrition and Education

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### **UPDATES:**

#### No Lost Generation funding snapshot

Appeal	Sector	Funding Requirement 2018	Funding received	%	Funding Date
Syria HRP	Education	\$281,214,256	\$99,700,000	35%	5-Aug-18
	Child	\$45,900,000	\$21,800,000	47%	
	Protection				
	Youth	\$900,977,671	\$222,970,000	25%	
3RP	Education	\$872,853,043	\$355,669,638	41%	31-June- 18
	Child	\$122,239,877	\$48,704,491	40%	
	Protection <sup>1</sup>				
	Youth	\$271,946,002	\$59,163,879	22%	
iraq HRP	Education	38,010,386	\$22,900,000	60%	5-Aug-18
	Child	22,177,235	\$11,100,000	50%	
	Protection				
TOTAL		\$2,555,318,470	\$842,008,008	33%	



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# Regional accountability framework to end child marriage in the MENA region

UNICEF, UNFPA, and No Lost Generation partners made collective commitments and developed a joint work plan to address the needs of children and adolescents affected by the crises in Syria and Iraq. This follows the RAF presented in April which highlighted both the critical gaps in evidence and the approaches to address child marriage in humanitarian contexts.

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#### No Lost Generation donor briefing: Gender Based Violence (GBV) against adolescent girls and boys

A regional discussion on GBV against adolescent girls and boys affected by the Syria crisis took place in May. No Lost Generation partners presented evidence from programming experience and recent assessments on GBV to the donor community. Following this, the partners and donors discussed and agreed on a key set of messages to take forward.

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# No Lost Generation tech task force ECOSOC side event, "Scaling What Works: Innovative approaches to education in emergencies"

The ways that technology and innovation can play in directly supporting young people in emergencies were presented to the ECOSOC Humanitarian Affairs Segment in June by the No Lost Generation Tech Task Force.

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### Hakeem, the chatbot, helps youth discover and access educational content online

A chatbot is helping to solve the youth challenge of not having enough time or money for education by guiding students to access online educational resources. The chatbot was designed with inputs from conflict affected youth, alongside Microsoft, NRC, NetHope, and University College Dublin.

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## Defined Without Borders Challenge: amplify the voices of young creators!



Emerging young creatives from conflict-affected areas are expressing their voices, stories and identities through a project led by Mercy Corps and the No Lost Generation Tech Task Force, in partnership with the Adobe Project 1324. 'Defined Without Borders' encourages young people to learn new skills to help express themselves. The project also shares and amplifies their creative work.

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# Rapid Education Action Initiative (REACT): a digital platform to support business engagement in education in emergencies

The Global Business Coalition for Education is bringing together knowledge and resources from the business community together to support NGOs, UN agencies, national governments and other actors via an online platform. The platform streamlines the partnership-building process by tracking worldwide educational challenges needing solutions, mapping offers of tangible support, and matching business resources to stakeholders.

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'Voices of Youth' blogging platform provides the space for young people across the region to share

#### their stories



Youth in the region are sharing experiences, opinions and ideas on a Voices of youth logo variety of topical issues. Since January 2018, the platform has published 202 blogs and vlogs, amplifying their voices and their perspectives on issues of importance.

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#### "The Missing Peace": UN Security Council calls for increasing role of youth in negotiating, implementing peace agreements



A recent UN Security Council resolution calls for greater representation of youth when implementing peace agreements. The resolution also calls for Member States to protect educational institutions as spaces that are both free from violence and accessible to all youth, with a focus on young women having equal access to these spaces.

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#### Norwegian Refugee Council report "Principles under Pressure" shows the damage counter terrorism measures can have on humanitarian action

Counterterrorism measures are putting humanitarian principles under pressure, a recent Norwegian Refugee Council report has shown. The report aimed to update the evidence, and examine the impact, that Preventing/Countering Violent Extremism (P/CVE) has on humanitarian action.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Solutions that work! Evidence Symposium on Adolescents and Youth in the Middle East and North Africa: 25 – 26 September



This event will build on the evidence base established in the 2017 symposium and engage adolescents and youth to identify ways to address issues of employment, engagement, gender and violence in MENA, will aim to collect and share------this evidence to inform policy and promote the scale up of **Sigh post:** One Stop informational portat for effisite-affected individuals, NetHope solutions





Join NetHope solutions Center for the next No Lost Generation Tech Task Force webinar to learn how Mercy Corps and Cisco, along with other partners, are working together to provide crisis-affected people around the world with critical information and resource through the Signpost Initiative.

