

MENA SHELTER AND SETTLEMENTS FORUM

Workshop objectives and agendas. *Holiday Inn hotel, Amman, 10-11 July 2019.*



This two-day event will be the first shelter and settlements forum held in the region.

The first day will focus on learning from past experiences of shelter and settlement responses in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) by actively engaging actors using case studies from the [Shelter Projects publication](#). Day 1 will also include an informal consultation to inform the development of an area/settlement-based approach guidance note, which will further support the rollout of the approach across the MENA region. In addition, the Arabic version of the online Shelter and Settlements Course will be released.

The second day is intended to be an open forum for exchange of ideas on shelter and settlement issues for practitioners in the MENA region and beyond. Building on the first day, the forum will review some of the best practices in the region, looking at how learnings can be transferred between countries, concentrating on a number of themes such as durable solutions and returns; engaging with local authorities; remote management and cash-based interventions.

The overall objective is to collectively review good practices and lessons learned, share experiences of approaches relevant to the MENA region, build or strengthen a community of practice and create networks in the region. The expected audience is humanitarian and development practitioners with regional / international experience in shelter, settlements, as well as other related sectors, local/regional institutions including academia, representatives from donors with a specific interest in shelter and settlements and/or the region.

The event will be hosted by the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and InterAction, in collaboration with global and regional partners and thanks to the support of USAID/OFDA.

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Day 1: Shelter Projects and Urban Settlements Working Groups -- 10 July 2019

Objective: collective review of good practices and lessons learned from the region, understand how to use case studies and know what these include, provide inputs on a guidance note on settlement approaches.

Session	Time	Topic
Opening and introduction	0830	Arrival and registration
	0900	Welcome and Opening remarks. Mr. Nevin WILSON, Chief of Mission a.i., IOM Jordan
	0915	Introductions and expectations
	0925	Review of the agenda
	0930	Security briefing. Harald Resinger, IOM Jordan
Session 1. Shelter Projects	0945	What is Shelter Projects -- Introduction. Alberto Piccioli, IOM
	1000	What can be learned and how do we use case studies. (Groupwork)
	1100	Coffee
Session 2. Shelter Projects case studies review	1130	<i>Group review of case studies from past editions:</i>
	I	A.27 Iraq / SP 2017-2018 / Voucher for shelter repairs
	II	A.30 Syria / SP 2017-2018 / Collective centre rehabilitation
	III	A.11 Jordan / SP 2013-2014 / Cash for repairs / rental support *
	IV	A.14 Lebanon / SP 2013-2014 / Multi-sector programme *
	V	A.29 Syria / SP2017-2018 / Urban shelter rehabilitation and HLP
	VI	A.32 Turkey / SP2017-2018 / Shelter and WASH repairs
	1230	<i>Reporting back to plenary</i>
	1300	Lunch
Session 3. USWG Consultation	1400	Urban Settlements Working Group. Introduction. James Schell, IMPACT
	1415	Working group consultation on area/settlement approach guidance note.
	1530	Coffee
Session 4.	1600	Shelter and Settlements Arabic training; and impacts of S&S assistance. Mohamed Hilmi, InterAction
	1630	Summary / review expectations / individual survey
	1700	Close

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Day 2: MENA Shelter and Settlements Forum -- 11 July 2019

Objective: collective review of good practices and lessons learned, sharing experiences of approaches relevant to the MENA region, build/strengthen a community of practice and create networks in the region.

Session	Time	Topic
Opening and intro	0830	Arrival and registration
	0900	Intro, review agenda, recap of day 1
Session 1. Setting the scene	<i>Presentations around the following topics (Plenary. 10-15' including Q&A): Contextualized standards for shelter solutions in MENA; Integrated, settlement approaches; Durable solutions and returns; Remote management and working with IPs; Cash-based interventions in shelter; Distributions.</i>	
	1.	Integrated approach in Gweirah. Eva Suarez, AVSI Jordan
	2.	Durable solutions in Iraq. Teri Smith, Shelter-NFI Cluster, Iraq
	3.	Post Crisis Urban Recovery, Housing and Durable Solutions in Syria. Henri Stalder, UN-Habitat Syria
	4.	Cross-border operations in North Syria. Mohamed Obeid and Hazal Alfahri, IOM Gaziantep
	5.	Cash-based interventions in shelter. Fe Kagahastian, CashCap-NORCAP Whole of Syria
	6.	Distributions: how can we do better. Joseph Ashmore, IOM Geneva
	7.	Healthy Housing for the Displaced. Designing shelters for thermal comfort in desert climates. Francis Moran, University of Bath
	1100	Coffee
Session 2. Group discussion	1130	<i>Break-out discussion groups on the following topics</i>
	A	Contextualized standards for shelter solutions in the Middle East
	B	Integrated, settlement approaches
	C	Durable solutions and returns
	D	Distributions: 80% of what the Shelter-NFI sector does
	1215	<i>Reporting back to plenary</i>
	1245	<i>Pitch for the market place. 30 seconds to highlight the topics during the next session.</i>
	1300	Lunch
Session 3. Market place	1400	Market place. Several projects and initiatives presented, including:
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IOM Gaziantep, cross-border and Turkey operations. - Haneen F. Abu-Mahfouz, Super-adobe for Zaatari refugee camp. - Eva Suarez and Dina Alyounes (AVSI) and Maram Shaban (GIZ), Women's empowerment through public space improvement and cash for work. - Jordan Green Building Council and Habitat for Humanity Jordan, Green Affordable Homes project. - Rania Abu Ramadan, Petra University, Establishing Design Criteria for Refugees' Shelters. - NRC Jordan, Shelter programmes. - IOM Iraq, Shelter programmes.
	1500	Coffee

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Session 4. Group discussion	1515	<i>Break-out discussion groups on the following topics</i>	<i>Facilitators</i>
	A	Remote management and working with IPs	IOM Gaziantep and Nadine Yassin, NRC
	B	Cash-based interventions in shelter	Fe Kagahastian, CashCap-NORCAP
	C	Strengthening engagement of local authorities with humanitarian and development actors	James Schell, IMPACT Initiatives / USWG
	D	Topic to be confirmed during forum	TBC
	1600	<i>Reporting back to plenary</i>	
Session 5	1630	Summary and evaluation	
	1700	Close	

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