Dear members of the Housing, Land, and Property Area of Responsibility,

We hope you are all safe and healthy in these challenging times.

Firstly, we want to highlight the ‘Featured Resources’ below, curated every month to bring you a selection of relevant, innovative and inspiring writing grouped into specific HLP themes.

This month includes pieces on displaced women’s HLP rights, shelter, livelihoods and natural resources, security of tenure, mine action, HLP and Cash, and water rights, as well as this Brief Guide to Ownership Documents in Afghanistan, published by AoR members of the Afghanistan HLP Task Force*.

At this time of year many humanitarians turn their attention toward the Humanitarian Programme Cycle (HPC), and the process of producing Humanitarian Needs Overview and Humanitarian Response Plans. As part of the support to this process, the Global Protection Cluster recently hosted a technical webinar on HPC planning. This practically focussed session included step by step guidance on the HPC including,

- ensuring integration of centrality of protection and inclusion in HNOs and HRPs
- key elements for enhanced inter-sectoral and sectoral analysis and PIN calculations
- Q & A discussion.

You can find the webinar on Youtube - here.

A key requirement is the inclusion of persons with disabilities. The IASC has produced guidance on Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action, including specific
sections on HLP (see pp158-162), as well as Shelter and other Protection AoRs.

As revealed last month, the 2020 Global Protection Forum, taking place online through September, is fast approaching. On 30th September 2020, The HLP AoR is hosting an online session on ‘Housing, Land and Property (HLP) implications for protection in practice: coordination between CCCM, Shelter and Protection’. If you would like to get involved please do get in touch. You might have examples from your work to share, or you would like to hear how others have addressed a particular challenge. We are hosting an initial ideas and brainstorming meeting this week (Aug 6th 14.00 CET) - let us know if you would like to join, you’d be very welcome.

Further information on this and all the sessions to follow in the coming weeks...

* Remember *

The HLP AoR exists to support you. Please do get in touch if you have questions, in need of technical support, interested to learn how others have approached a particular challenge, or just need to talk through the situation you are in. The AoR can gather experts with in-depth experience in order to help you navigate a particular issue. In these times it is essential we rely on one another.

Please do get in contact if you think we might be able to help.

Climate Change and Displacement is the theme for the IDMC 2020 internal displacement conference and 2021 global report on internal displacement. It has issued a call for contributions, though you’ll need to be quick as August 15th is the deadline for submissions.

A reminder that there is still time to contribute to the special HLP edition of Shelter Projects Initiative (led by our colleagues from the Shelter Cluster). The abstract submission deadline has been extended to Monday 31st August, Please submit case studies for projects in which you have been involved!
Warm regards,

*The Global HLP AOR team.*

If you have any questions, please do contact us at (jim.robinson@nrc.no) and (alexandre.bourque@nrc.no).

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* Please share resources in Arabic too! :)

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**Featured resources:**

**Displaced Women’s HLP**

- HRW reports on Women and Matrimonial Property Rights in Kenya - [Witness: What They Gave Up To Leave a Marriage](#)
- CARE policy summary on confronting the gendered impacts of climate-induced displacement - [Evicted by Climate Change](#)
- Landesa host this conversation highlighting that [Efforts to Halt Desertification and Drought Must Include Women’s Land Rights](#)
- Why investing in women’s land rights helps overall gender equality
- From the Property Rights Research Consortium, [Peace of Land: A Woman’s Right to Safety May Depend on Her Right to Own Property](#)

**Security of Tenure**
• Webinar recorded 15th July for the online launch of Prindex, the world’s first global survey (140+ countries) measuring how secure people feel in their land and property rights.

• **Almost 1 billion people worldwide expect to lose their homes against their will**, Prindex global study reveals.

• See also, **Nearly one billion people scared of losing homes or land, poll finds**

• Increasingly authorities are embracing digital evidence such as photographs on social media to establish property claims of displaced people

• **Brief Guide to Ownership Documents in Afghanistan**, published by the Afghanistan HLP Task Force.

**Shelter**

• The Global Shelter Cluster is producing a series of HLP Country Profiles

• NRC releases an analysis of shelter insecurity for vulnerable refugee households in Lebanon during Covid-19

• NRC reports on **Covid-19 is a public health crisis that for many vulnerable people in East Africa, is made worse by the threat of forced eviction**

• Global Shelter Cluster **Key Messages on Security of Tenure and COVID-19**

• Global Protection Cluster HLP AoR **Evictions & Relocations** Toolbox

**Water Rights**

• In Burkina Faso, **Local People Hold the Key to Solving the country’s Water Challenges**

• Ressource en francais **Guide pratique. L’approche participative pour une gestion plus inclusive et durable des ressources en eau à travers les Comit**

**Mine Action**

• iMMAP reports on how it is **Supporting the Agriculture Sector in Iraq through Humanitarian Mine Action Data**

**Livelihoods & Natural Resource Conflict - Prevention & Resolution**
• Land Portal tells the story of pastoralists in Iran and the role for **Flexible sustainable use-rights solutions in the semi-arid area of Maymand**

• A new How to Do Note from IFAD: **How to prevent land use conflicts in pastoral areas**. (complements the IFAD Toolkit and HTDN on Pastoralism produced in 2018, and the IFAD Land Tenure Toolkit – Lessons Learned Pastoralism, Land Rights and Tenure).

• A study from World Agroforestry finds that **Farmers’ experience and ecological knowledge proven valuable against land degradation in Mali**

**Cash and HLP**

• War Child publishes **Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA) & Housing, Land, and Property Rights: Evidence & Future Research Priorities in Humanitarian Settings**

**HLP in COVID**

• The HLP AOR “living document” for **resources and guidance on HLP in COVID-19** epidemic is still being consistently updated. Please add any resources you think other colleagues could benefit.

• **Pandemic upheaval creates 'perfect storm' for land rights abuses**

• NRC have released this briefing note on **Addressing the impact of protracted conflict and Covid-19 in Ukraine**

• GLTN have created a dedicated web page focused on its partners work on **Tenure Security and COVID-19 Pandemic**

• Global Shelter Cluster Key Messages on Security of Tenure and COVID-19

**Job posting…**

NORCAP seeks **housing, land and property advisers**

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It has been a pleasure for me (Jim) to connect with some of you this last month. Thank you for your welcome!

*Hot off the press*

The Global Protection Cluster has launched the [2020 Global Protection Forum](#) and is pleased to invite you to a series of events designed specifically to have operational impact.

The HLP AoR is hosting an online session on ‘Housing, Land and Property (HLP) implications for protection in practice: coordination between CCCM, Shelter and Protection’. Please save the date – 30th September 2020 – and if you would like to get involved and share examples from your work, please do let us know.

The Forum will be composed of webinars and events spread across the last 6 months of the year to ensure strong and active participation. Please find further information on the GPC webpage [here](#). You can view the provisional programme [here](#).

More details to follow in coming months!
The HLP AoR team are pleased to report that the “Thematic Interest Teams” have kicked off. This month the Displaced Women’s HLP group met to discuss experiences, challenges, learnings and to plan for the coming months. We are hopeful that these groups can become supportive communities of practice and they offer a fantastic opportunity to join with colleagues across sectors, clusters and continents.

We are planning to reach out to more groups in the coming weeks. Please do let us know if you would like to be involved! There is still time to tell us the areas you are interested in by completing the (very) short survey here.

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Finally, thank you for your engagement in the AoR, through the webinars and gatherings, sharing the amazing array of work that you are involved in. Please see the featured resources below.

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Recent AOR Events:

- Following the Webinars on HLP in COVID-19 in May, we co-hosted an online discussion through June to examine the issues raised by these webinars in even more depth and with a greater range of participants.
- Minutes from the DWHLP Thematic Team Meeting

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Environmental peacebuilding Association (EnPax) launched a microsite: https://environmentalpeacebuilding.org/covid-19

Webinar - Leveraging Technology to Accelerate Land Administration in Challenging Environments During COVID-19 and Beyond


Displaced Women’s HLP


SIPRI issued this brief essay on Linking the Women, Peace and Security Agenda to climate change. Even though it is not mentioned in the essay, Women’s HLP rights are at the intersection of these two issues – as HLP AOR, we may have some work to do

USAID has issued a call for applications for RISE grants to Address Gender-Based Violence and Environment Linkages

Security of Tenure

Upcoming webinar on July 15th to launch Prindex – a global database (140+ countries) on perceptions of security of tenure.

FAO released a Legal Guide on Land Consolidation as a tool for land management

This release was accompanied by a webinar on the theme of Land Consolidation held by the Land Portal.

Evictions & Relocations

La Plataforma de Coordinación para Refugiados y migrantes de Venezuela ha preparado esta Nota Orientativa: Mitigación de riesgos de desalojo de población refugiada y migrante de venezuela.

Securing HLP for returns

UNHCR in Honduras has produced the following infographics for the protection abandoned housing due to displacement both in English and Español.

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