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Country card

Moldova





HI Team and intervention areas





The HI Moldova program has 7 staff members.

General data of the country

a. General data

Country	Republic of Moldova	France		
Population	4,006,735	67,499,343		
IHDI	0.767	0.82		
Gender related	1.010	0,987152994137522		
development Index	1.010			
Maternal mortality	12	4		
GINI Index	25.7	32.4		



Population with UNHCR Mandate		580,898
INFORM index	3.3	2.3
Fragile State Index	67.4	30.9
Public social Protection		100
Net Official		
development		
assistance received		

b. Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

International law instruments	Status
Geneva Conventions (1949)	Ratified
Additional Protocols (I) and (II) to the Geneva Conventions (1977)	Ratified
Convention on the Rights of the Child (1989)	Ratified
Convention prohibiting Certain Conventional Weapons (1980)	Ratified
Convention prohibiting Chemical Weapons (1993)	Ratified
Mine Ban Treaty (1997)	Ratified
Convention on Cluster Munitions (2008)	Ratified
Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (2006)	Ratified
International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1966)	Ratified
European Convention on Human Rights (1950)	Ratified

c. Geopolitical context

In March 2022, following the beginning of a large-scale military conflict between Russia and Ukraine on February 24th, HI deployed its emergency response team in where many displaced persons fled to safety. Indeed, the conflict in Ukraine triggered a political and humanitarian crisis of unprecedented proportions in Europe. Approximately 6.3 million Ukrainians left their country. The main host countries are neighbouring countries such as Poland, Romania, Hungary, and Moldova. Moldova received up to 750,000 refugees at the high of displaced, with more than 100,000 remaining in country in April 2023. Moldova received more refugees per capita than any other country, which placed a vast burden on a country of only 3 million people, having the lowest development index (HDI) in Europe.

Since the beginning of this crisis, the Moldovan society quickly mobilized to coordinate the arrival of the refugees and ensure their effective care, notably with the opening of 92 accredited reception centres (RACs). However, the scale and uncertain outlook of the current crisis, and the potential new refugee influx from the continued deterioration of the security context in Ukraine places Moldova at risk of further



economic and social shocks. As such, relationships between Ukrainians and Moldovans are declining, as there is a general perception in country that refugees are receiving more than Moldovans, in addition to language and cultural differences that strain relations.

Summary of HI presence in the country

HI started operations in Moldova in March 2022, and is currently implemented activities aimed at addressing the needs of vulnerable conflict-affected refugee and host populations through the delivery of an inclusive humanitarian response, focused on Inclusive Humanitarian Action, with the objective to foster a tailored and disability- inclusive humanitarian response, focusing on empowering and building the capacity of national organizations of persons with disability, centred on a barriers analysis and on accessibility works.

In 2022 and early 2023, HI also led a mental health and psychosocial support, and protection response, with the objective to increase the protective environment of conflict-affected populations and host communities and improving access to quality mental health and psychosocial support services. Capacity building for caregivers, and group and individual sessions have been conducted by MHPSS workers and Social Workers, in addition to donations aimed at improving the living conditions in the centres, such as heating, stationary for children, etc.



Overview on ongoing projects

Project Title/	Main activities	Beneficiaries	Partners	Location	Dates of the	Donors who
Sectors of intervention					project	finance the project
Strengthen social	Objective: To contribute to the social	2023 (achieved):	Implemented in	Chisinau	September	AFD, Fondation
cohesion and	cohesion of Moldovan society in the face of	- Identification of 3	Consortium		2022 -	de France
resilience of	the challenges posed by the reception of	ODPs that will	(Synergies) with		February	
Moldovan society	Ukrainian refugees	receive support to	MDM and SI		2024	
in the face of		identify barriers to				
challenges posed	Specific Objective: To build capacity and	access 1/ the school	Local partners:			
by the reception	empower local actors for the effective	system (1 OPD) and	SOS Autism,			
of Ukrainian	integration of Ukrainian refugees in	2/ employment (2	MOTIVATIE,			
refugees.	Moldova.	OPDs)	Speranta si			
			Santate			
Sector of	Activities:	2023 (planned):				
intervention: IHA	Direct support to organisations of persons	- Barrier analysis				
	with disability to analyse barriers of	conducted by and				
	persons with disability to access 1/ the	with the supported				
	school system, 2/ employment.	ODPs.				
		 Accessibility works. 				



Emergency multi-Objective: Addressing the most acute 2022 - Achieved results: N/A Chisinau, JOA May – sectoral response needs of vulnerable conflict-affected 840 beneficiaries September Causeni. to the urgent populations affected by the Ukraine Crisis benefitted from Peresechina, 2022 needs of through the delivery of an inclusive, MHPSS/Protection Popeasca, vulnerable immediate, and multi-sectorial Ungheni, support. populations humanitarian assistance. 15 local Glodeni, affected by the organizations Stefan Voda Ukraine crisis. Specific Objective: Addressing the Health directly supported. needs of conflict-affected refugee Provision of two Sectors of populations with a specific attention to awareness-raising intervention: IHA. persons with disabilities/injuries and/or sessions for MHPSS, with signs of psychological distress, while humanitarian actors. Protection improving the delivery of inclusive humanitarian assistance in Moldova. **Activities:** Provision of referrals to services for refugees Equipment of children friendly spaces and donation of school kits Provision of MHPSS services

Sensitization of humanitarian actors and local stakeholders on

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Donors



