### Milestone achievements so far:

### International Recommendations on Refugee Statistics (IRRS)



The IRRS help countries and international organizations to harmonize and improve the quality of statistics on refugees and asylum seekers, to contribute to improved

overall statistics on international migration, and common information about a situation with a significant impact on global welfare.

International Recommendations on Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) Statistics (IRIS)



The IRIS outline an internationally-agreed framework for countries and international organisations to improve the production,

coordination, and dissemination of high-quality official statistics on internally displaced persons that are consistent over time and comparable between regions and countries.

### Current priorities

- Advocacy and ownership building of national partners in the area of forced displacement statistics.
- Technical support and capacity strengthening of national partners to facilitate the implementation of the recommendations.
- Finalization of the International Recommendations on Statelessness Statistics (IROSS).



### Compilers' Manual

This is a hands-on guide designed to support those using the IRRS and IRIS to compile statistics on displaced persons. It is based on contributions and examples provided by the Expert Group. The Manual is meant to be a living document and will be refined as the implementation of the recommendations progresses.

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Working together for improved statistics on refugees, internally displaced and stateless persons



# Why are statistics on refugees, IDPs and stateless persons needed?

There is a rapidly growing number of forcibly displaced persons worldwide, with many displacement situations becoming severally protracted. Building better national statistical systems that include these populations has become a critical part of effective national response.

Quality forced displacement and statelessness statistics lead to more effective measurement and evaluation for decision makers and provide the foundation for policies, programs and decisions that leave no one behind.

### About EGRISS

The Expert Group on Refugee, Internally Displaced Persons, and Statelessness Statistics (EGRISS) was established by the United Nations Statistical Commission (UNSC) at its 47<sup>th</sup> session in 2016.

The group consists of experts from national statistical systems, regional and international organizations. EGRISS was initially mandated to develop recommendations on refugees, asylumseekers and internally displaced persons (IDPs) statistics. Currently, the Expert Group is in its third mandate, focused on the implementation of the IRRS and IRIS at country, regional and international levels. EGRISS mandate has been recently extended to develop International Recommendations on Statelessness Statistics (IROSS).

## Why are international statistical recommendations on forced displacement and statelessness important?

- Provide concrete guidance and standards for the countries to produce statistics on refugees, IDPs and stateless persons.
- Promote consistent and comparable data between countries, organisations and statistical systems.
- Facilitate inclusion of forcibly displaced and stateless populations in national statistical systems and development plans, as well as in national identity management and Civil Registration and Vital Statistics systems.
- Guide comparative analysis between displaced and host populations,

on needs, living conditions and welfare to improve understanding of integration and achievement of durable solutions.

- Present a more robust and comprehensive statistical framework covering not only refugees and IDPs, but also closely associated population groups such as those seeking asylum and other forms of international protection as well as those returning from abroad.
- Support improved visibility of vulnerable populations in the framework of the Sustainable Development Goals.



### Who would they apply to?

#### What is included?

- National statistical offices and other relevant stakeholders within the national statistical system.
- · UN and other international/regional statistical organisations and entities.



Over 100 examples of planned, ongoing or completed initiatives implementing the recommendations have been identified so far. Learn more in our website: https://egrisstats.org

- Agreed indicators for reporting, including on the number and demographic characteristics of forcibly displaced persons, and their living conditions and well-being.
- Clear recommentations for collecting and analysing statistics on forcibly displaced populations, including through adaptation of existing data sources.
- Recommendations to improve coordination at national, regional and international level as well as data quality, statistical legal frameworks and capacity development.