



Right to Protection

Humanitarian response digest

JANUARY - AUGUST 2023

ABOUT US

Right to Protection (R2P) is a leading human rights organization that works comprehensively to solve problems, related to forced displacement and migration, their causes and consequences.



**~1100* SPECIALISTS
IN R2P TEAM**



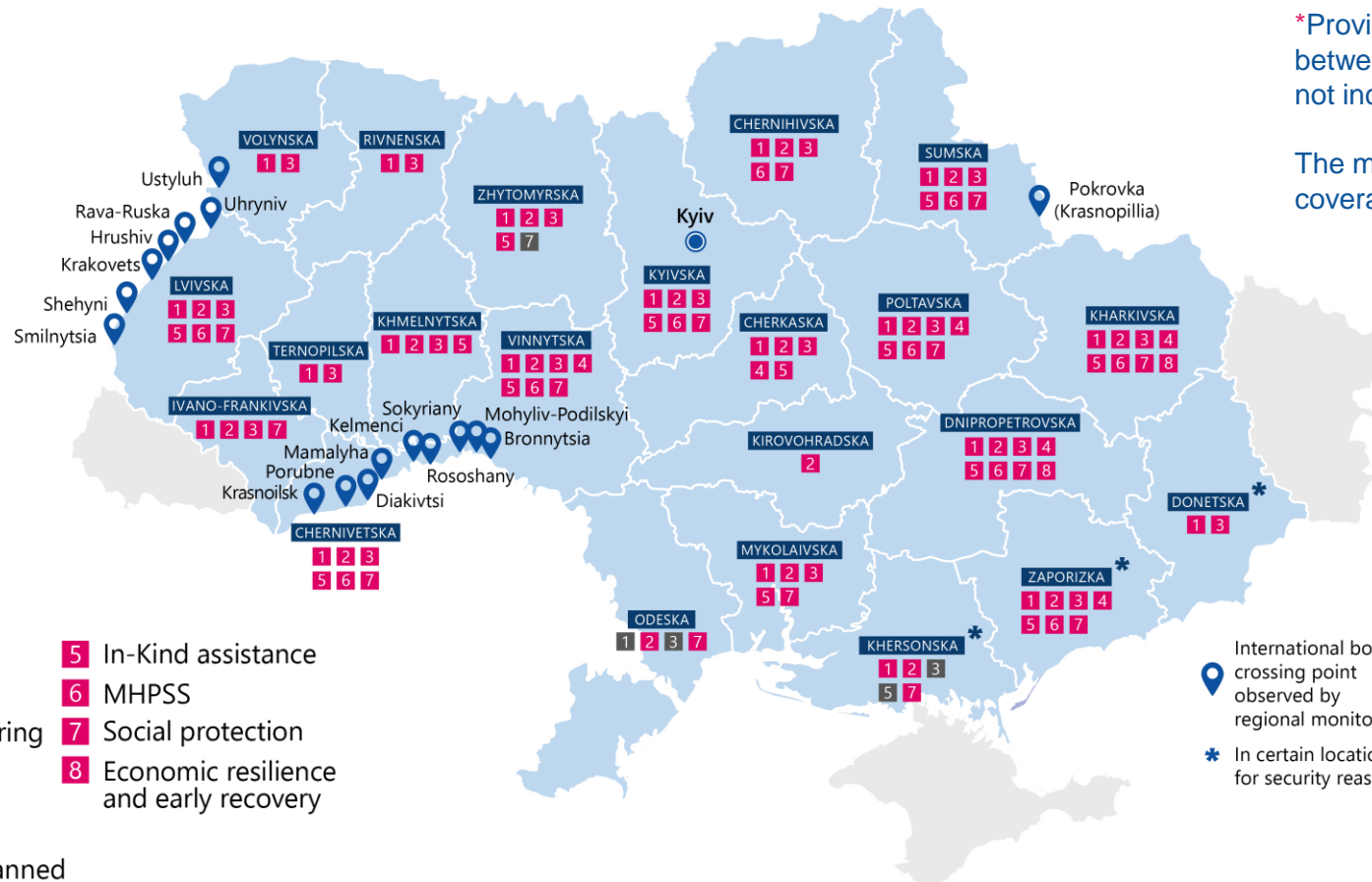
30* ONGOING PROJECTS



**27* PARTNER
ORGANIZATIONS**



**\$30 000 000+
BUDGET IN 2023**



*Provided numbers reflect situation between January - August 2023, not including previous years.

The map reflects activities coverage as of September 1, 2023

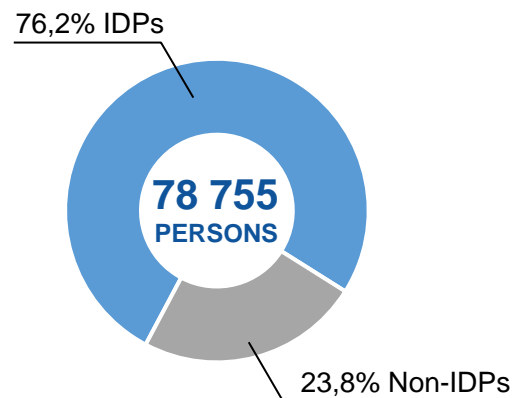
- 1 Legal assistance
- 2 MPC enrolment
- 3 Protection monitoring
- 4 CCCM
- 5 In-Kind assistance
- 6 MHPSS
- 7 Social protection
- 8 Economic resilience and early recovery

■ Working ■ Planned

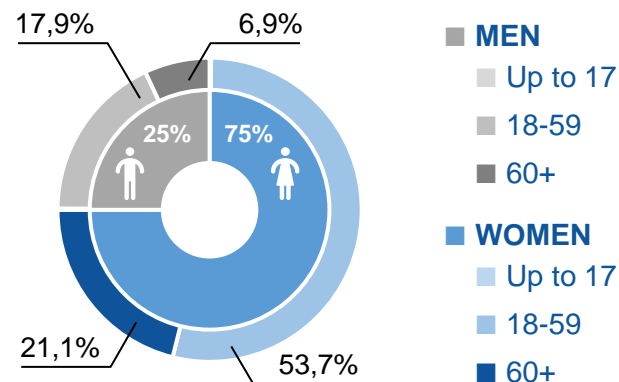
- 📍 International border crossing point observed by regional monitors
- * In certain locations for security reasons

JANUARY – AUGUST 2023: LEGAL ASSISTANCE

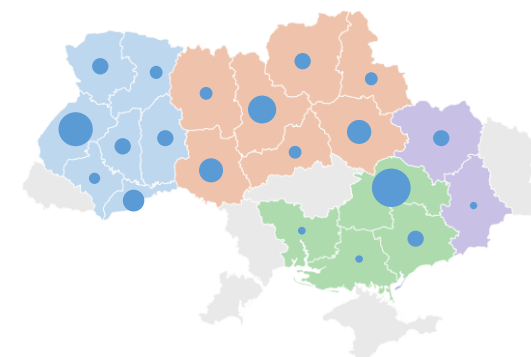
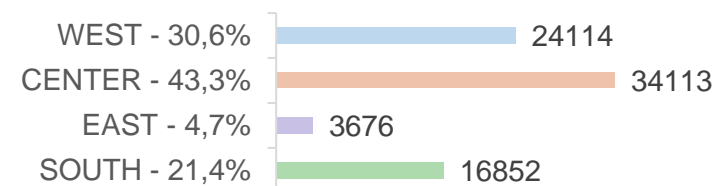
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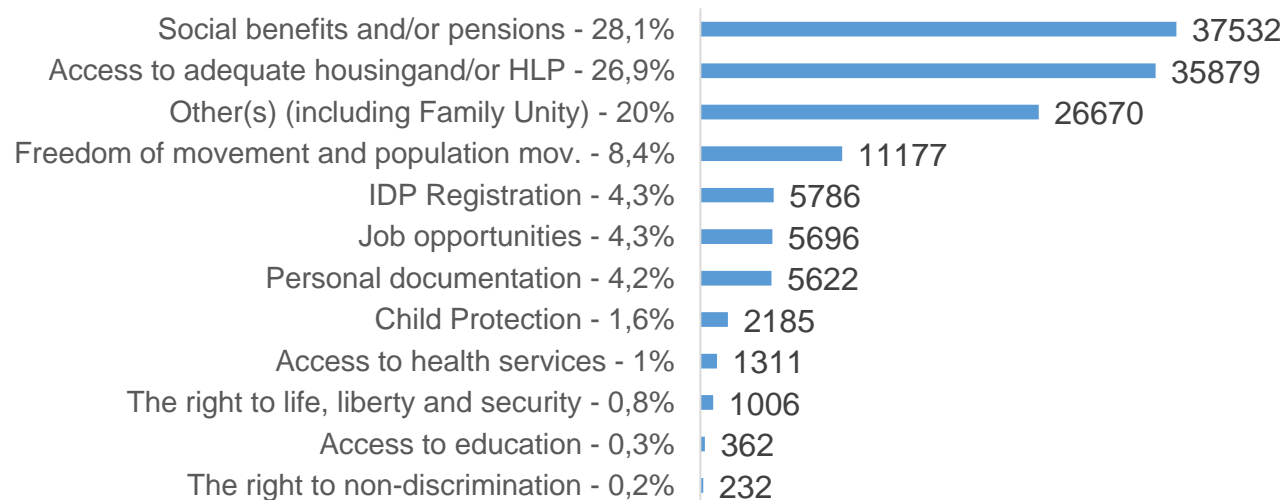
BENEFICIARIES BY AGE AND GENDER



GEOGRAPHY OF BENEFICIARIES



MAIN CATEGORIES OF LEGAL ISSUES*



LEGAL AID ACTIVITY

118 298 LEGAL AID CONSULTATIONS

2567 BENEFICIARIES RECEIVED SECONDARY LEGAL ASSISTANCE

395 COURT CASES IN PROGRESS

418 COURT CASES FINALIZED

*General legal assistance, Helpline operators, not including Telegram channel and chat-bot.

JANUARY – AUGUST 2023: IN KIND ASSISTANCE

COMMON CATEGORIES OF AID RECIPIENTS* OUT OF 428 821 BENEFICIARIES IN TOTAL:

158 899 INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS

37 385 FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

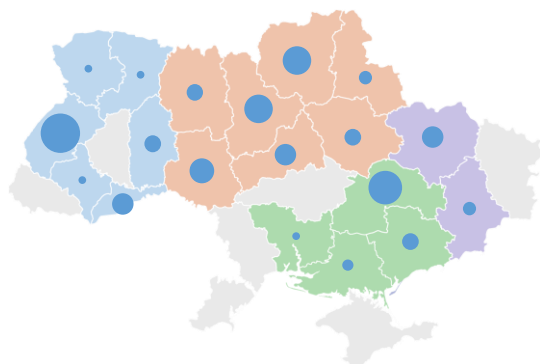
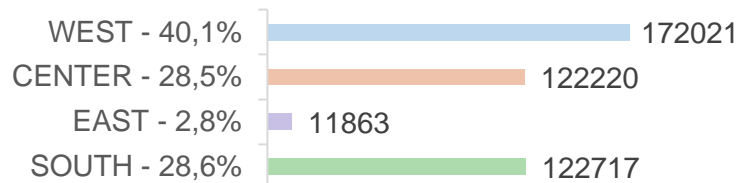
29 834 PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

16 222 HAVING DAMAGED HOUSING

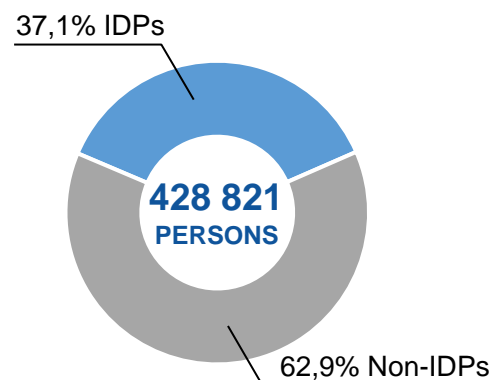
13 311 UNEMPLOYED

*beneficiaries may have multiple vulnerabilities at once

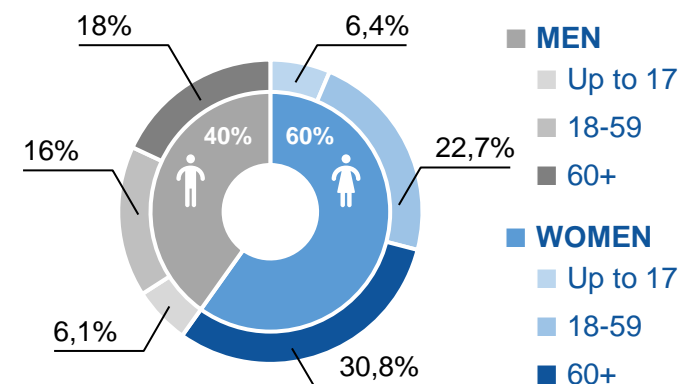
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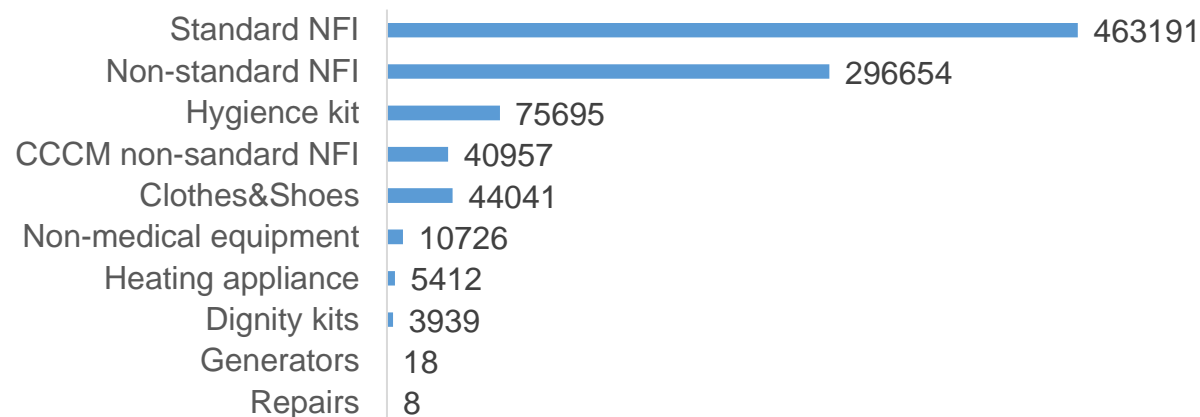


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TYPES OF GOODS DISTRIBUTED TO BENEFICIARIES

The values of diagram below are individual items of each type of goods.

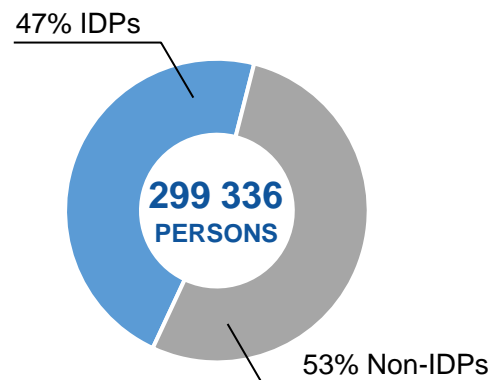


229 999 KG OF FOOD DISTRIBUTED

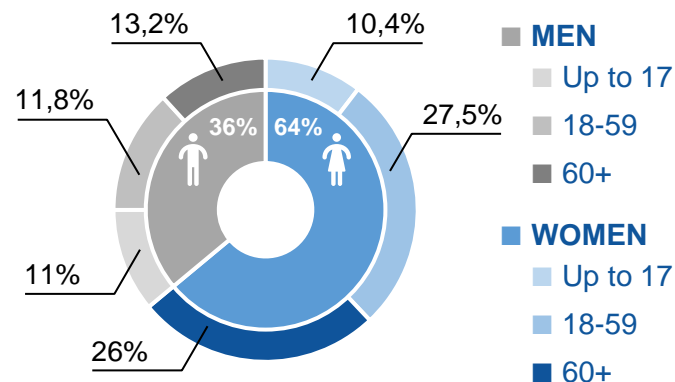
1 329 553 KG OF HEATING BRIQUETTES DISTRIBUTED

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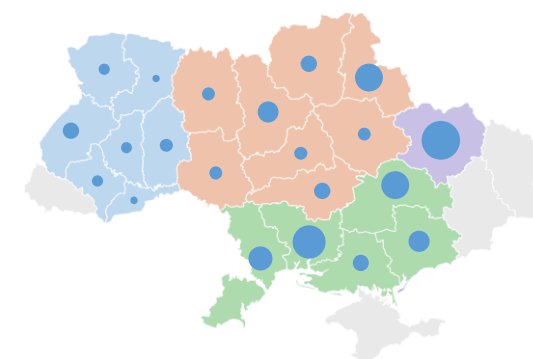
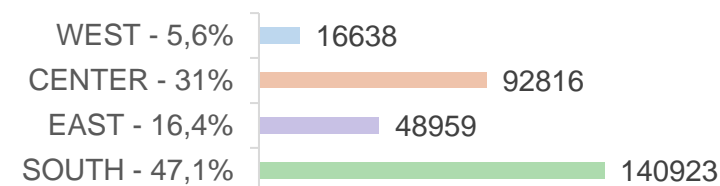
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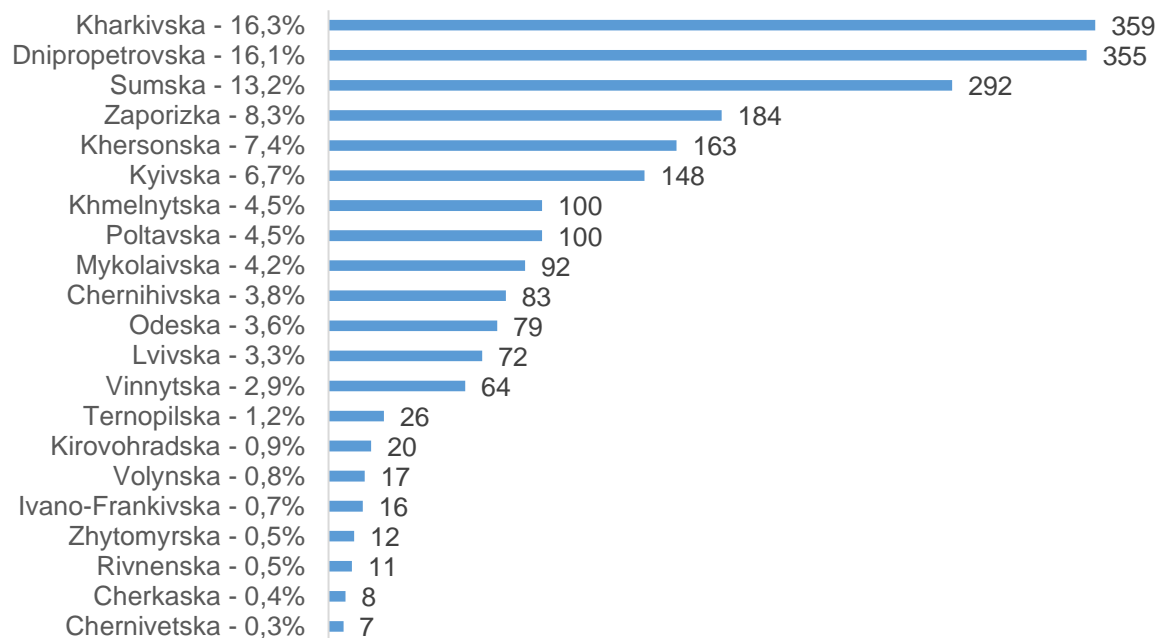
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MOBILE GROUPS VISITS BY REGION



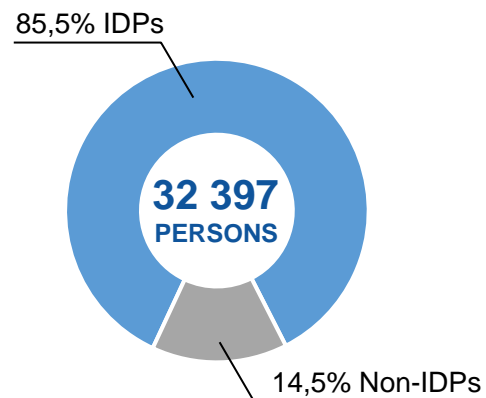
GENERAL INFORMATION

299 336 PERSONS ENROLLED FOR CASH ASSISTANCE IN TOTAL: INCLUDING 200 737 HOUSEHOLDS AND 26 817 PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

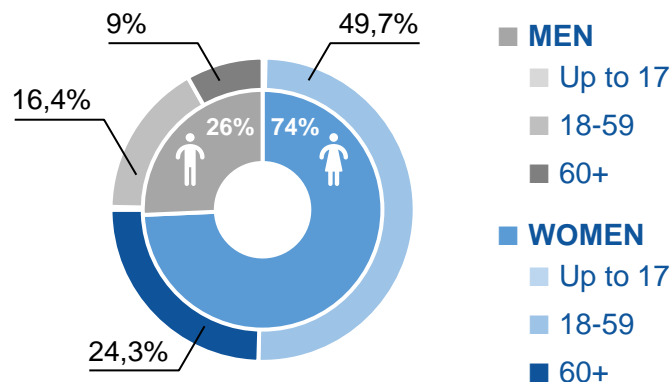
MOBILE RESPONSE GROUPS MADE 2208 VISITS TO SETTLEMENTS, COLLECTIVE CENTRES AND SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO REACH BENEFICIARIES IN REMOTE AREAS AND / OR WITH LOW MOBILITY

JANUARY – AUGUST 2023: PROTECTION MONITORING

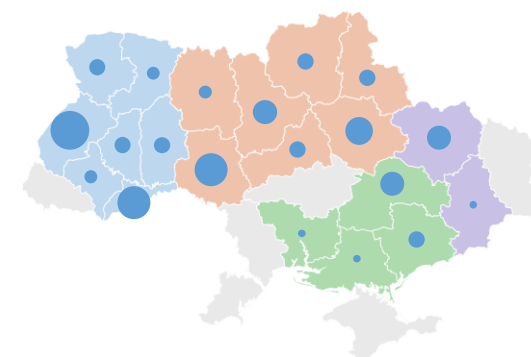
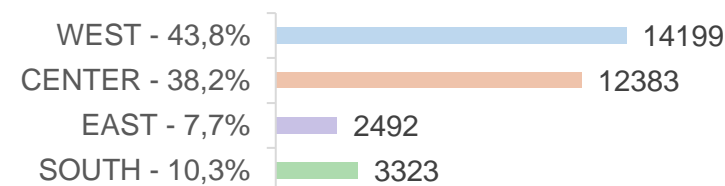
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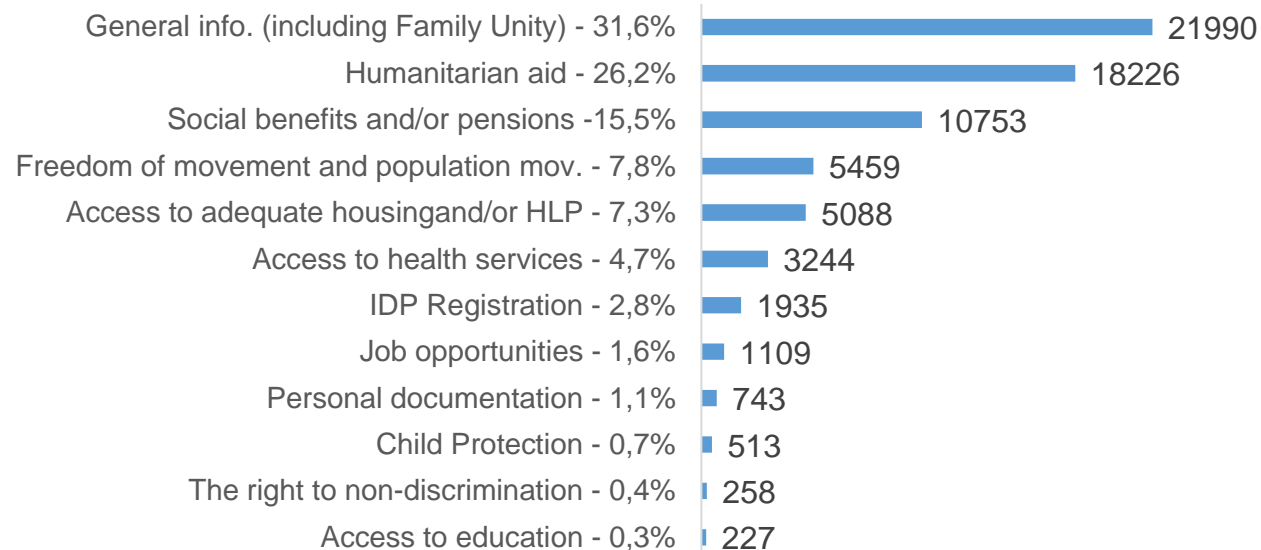
BENEFICIARIES BY AGE AND GENDER



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32 895 CONSULTATIONS PROVIDED IN TOTAL ON FOLLOWING ISSUES:



PROTECTION MONITORING ACTIVITIES

2675 SETTLEMENTS MONITORED AND VISITED 9297 TIMES

17 INTERNATIONAL BORDER CROSSING POINTS WERE REGULARLY MONITORED, WITH 963 MONITORING VISITS IN TOTAL

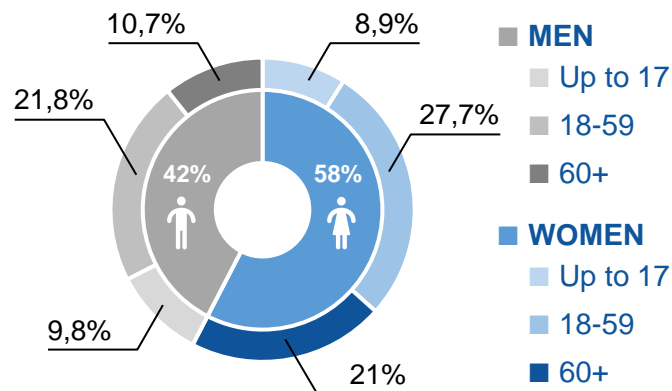
1817 PEOPLE PARTICIPATED IN 214 GROUP INFORMATION SESSIONS

JANUARY – AUGUST 2023: CAMP COORDINATION AND CAMP MANAGEMENT (CCCM)

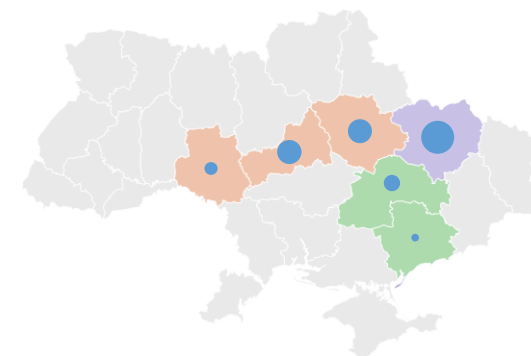
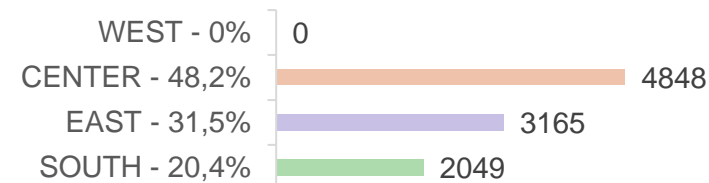
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KEY CCCM ACTIVITIES

55 CARE AND MAINTENANCE INTERVENTIONS

100 COORDINATION MEETINGS ORGANIZED

Coordination meetings are held with IDPs and collective centre administration to improve living conditions, promote proper documentation, facilitate communication, planning activities and durable solutions, and engaging local community into problem-solving.

28 COMMUNITY-BASED INITIATIVES IMPLEMENTED

R2P fostered community-based initiatives: supported initiative groups of IDPs in collective centres to cooperate and develop mini-projects. It resulted in deployment of children playrooms, co-working spaces, recreation rooms, a bicycle point, a sewing workshop, etc.

467 AWARENESS RAISING SESSIONS, ATTENDED BY 4736 PARTICIPANTS

The awareness raising sessions covered topics such as: financial assistance for IDPs, hygiene and proper behavior in nature, free online courses / education / leisure activities for IDPs, support programs, behavior during shelling, information security, and integration of information technologies.

TRAINING SESSIONS

310 TRAININGS FOR IDPS, ATTENDED BY 4107 PARTICIPANTS.

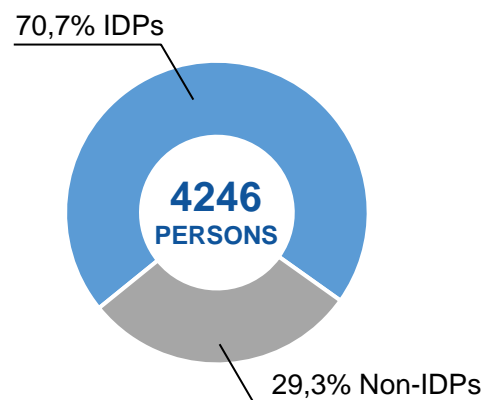
Topics covered: safety, healthcare, integration, development of skills

15 TRAININGS FOR STAKEHOLDERS, ATTENDED BY 185 PARTICIPANTS.

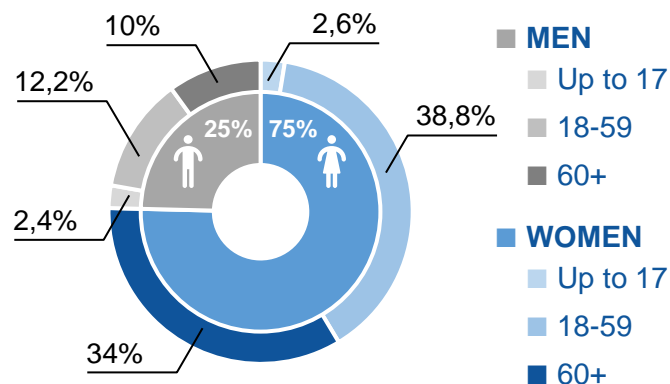
Topics covered: management, taxation and accounting, grant writing, first psychological aid, conflict management

JANUARY – AUGUST 2023: SOCIAL PROTECTION

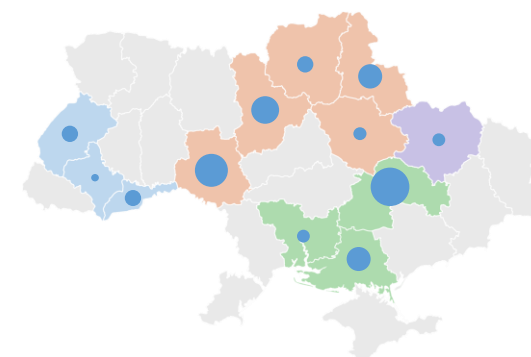
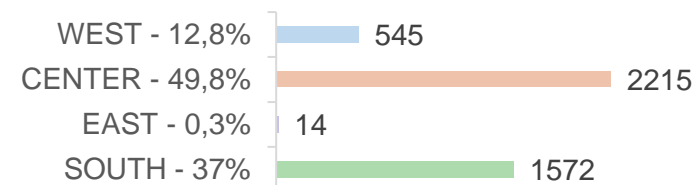
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BENEFICIARIES BY AGE AND GENDER



GEOGRAPHY OF BENEFICIARIES



GENERAL INFORMATION

4246 BENEFICIARIES

513 PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES RECEIVED ASSISTANCE

4 881 CONSULTATIONS PROVIDED

RANGE OF SERVICES:

- Awareness raising
- Counselling
- Representing interests
- Accompanying persons with disabilities
- Support of families in difficult circumstances
- Transportation
- Social prevention

GROUP EVENTS

313 GROUP EVENTS AIMED AT:

- enhancing capacity of territorial hromadas regarding provision of social services,
- awareness raising for prevention, mitigation, or elimination of negative social phenomena and their consequences

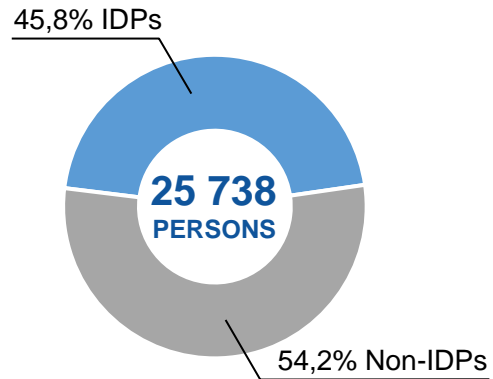
Participants:

3953 IDPs AND NON-IDPs

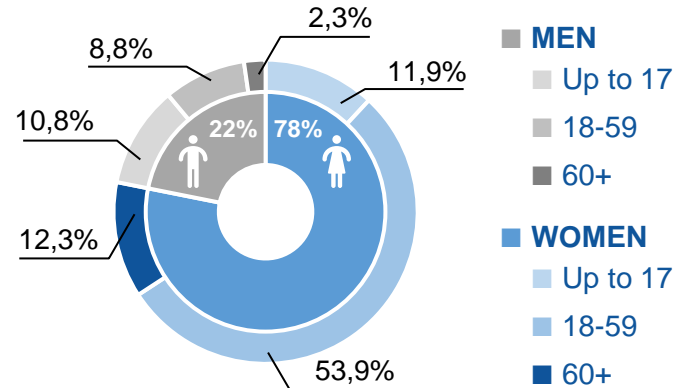
37 REPRESENTATIVES OF SOCIAL ENTITIES

JANUARY – AUGUST 2023: MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

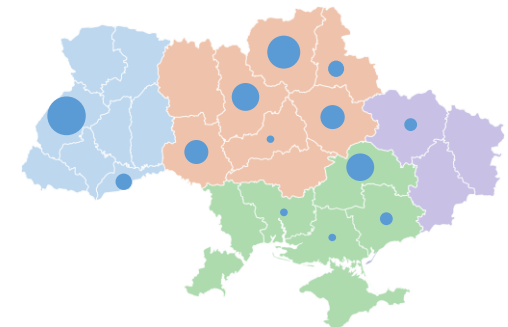
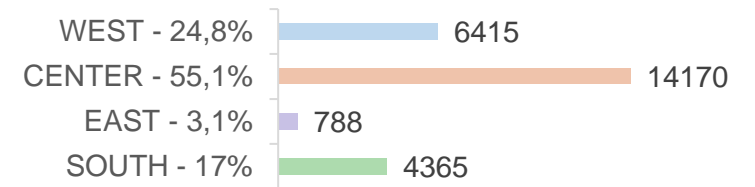
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Online support covers entire country.

MHPSS FIELD TRENDS

- Due to chronic stress, there are more frequent cases of societal polarization. The level of emotional tension in communities between different population groups is increasing: IDPs, local residents, returnees, veterans, military families. Providing humanitarian assistance "only for IDPs" contributes to this tension.
- There is an increased demand for support and strengthening the capacity of communities: developing communication algorithms with vulnerable population categories, options for integration measures for veterans and military families, burnout of first-line state structure providers.
- The relevance of individual counselling remains all over Ukraine, including the western and northern regions, which may be perceived as safer ones.

CONSULTATIONS



15 692 INDIVIDUAL CONSULTATIONS



2639 GROUP CONSULTATIONS

52 TRAININGS ATTENDED BY **934** PARTICIPANTS

66 WEBINARS ATTENDED BY **4048** PARTICIPANTS

MAY – AUGUST 2023: ECONOMIC RESILIENCE AND EARLY RECOVERY

In May 2023, R2P launched a new programme aimed to support early recovery and development of economic activity, resilience and self-sufficiency of vulnerable populations. As of late August, two projects are running dealing with employment challenges of IDPs and supporting micro entrepreneurship for war affected population.

Services:

- Trainings
- Career Consultations
- Entrepreneurship counselling
- Legal consultations on employment legislation and business activities
- Coaching - psychological support and boosting inner development capacity of beneficiaries

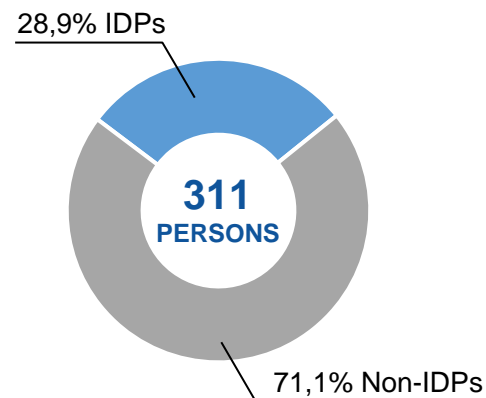
Research:

To ensure data-driven decisions and support, R2P conducted 2 surveys:

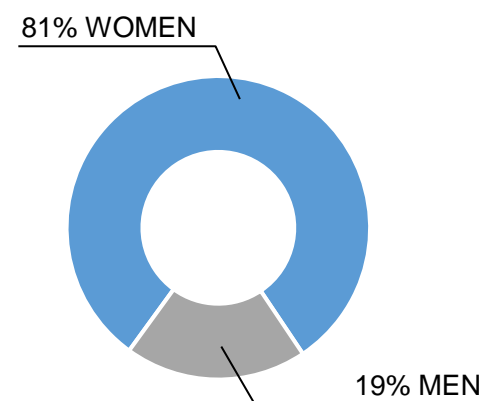
- IDPs regarding employment issues and needs (13 oblasts);
- Entrepreneurs regarding staff needs, on-site training capacity and intentions (9 oblasts).

R2P actively participates in Livelihoods Technical Working Group and Durable Solutions Work Group working groups to contribute to proper response to the needs of IDPs and conflict-affected populations. R2P submitted suggestions to United Nations in Ukraine Transitional Framework via Durable Solutions Work Group.

BENEFICIARIES BY STATUS



BENEFICIARIES BY GENDER



GEOGRAPHY OF BENEFICIARIES



GENERAL INFORMATION



131 BENEFICIARIES RECEIVED CAREER CONSULTATIONS



61 BENEFICIARIES RECEIVED LEGAL CONSULTATIONS

26 TRAININGS ATTENDED BY **113** BENEFICIARIES, COVERING FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- Capacity building and enhancing competitiveness of IDPs in the labour market in host communities;
- Business training for start-up entrepreneurs to enhance entrepreneurial skills.

JANUARY – AUGUST 2023: ADVOCACY

WORKING GROUPS

R2P is included and actively participates in a number of **working groups** and initiatives:

- On elaboration of the legislative regulation of the collective centres;
- On amending the Law of Ukraine "On Ensuring the Rights and Freedoms of the Internally Displaced Persons";
- On the housing assistance for IDPs focusing on improving the mechanism of granting the housing assistance to IDPs;
- On ensuring access to pensions and other social payments for the conflict-affected population;
- Expert Council under the Representative of the Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner on the Rights of Citizens, Affected by the Armed Aggression against Ukraine;
- Coordination Headquarters for Ensuring the Rights and Freedoms of the Internally Displaced Persons.

ROUND TABLES HELD BY R2P

- Round Table "Crossing the Ukrainian Border: Challenges and Perspectives" (April 27, Kyiv)
- Round Table "Development of Social Services During Wartime: Challenges and Possibilities" (June 30, Kyiv)
- National Round Table "Porcelain Childhood: Pathways to the Happiness of Ukrainian Children" (July 7, Kyiv)
- National Roundtable Event "Children Evacuated Abroad: The Journey Home" (August 18, Kyiv)
- Roundtable Discussion "Coordinating Humanitarian Response in Emergency Situations: Confronting the Aftermath of the Kakhovka Hydroelectric Power Plant Explosion" (August 22, Kyiv)



JANUARY – AUGUST 2023: ADVOCACY

OTHER IMPORTANT EVENTS

- **In March**, R2P held an Expert Discussion on Restoring the Title Documents in Absence of Evidence discussing the issues of restoring title document for the purposes of participation in the new compensation mechanism for the damaged/destroyed properties.
- **In April**, R2P's Advocacy Coordinator participated in a working session organized by the European Council on Refugees and Exiles (Brussels) calling the European Commission and the EU Member-States to, inter alia, unify the approaches to the movements of the Ukrainians to/from Ukraine under the Temporary Protection Directive.
- **In April**, R2P attended the Round Table "What comes after the temporary protection framework? An overview and discussion of various options" (Brussels) discussing the necessity to ensure safe, voluntary, and well-informed return of the Ukrainians affected by war from abroad.
- **On May 30**, R2P organized and held the Housing Issues Workshop at the Civil Society Forum "Outlines of the Future: Victory, Recovery and Modernization of Ukraine" focusing on the issues of the temporary housing stock formation, collective centres and the new compensation procedure.
- **In June**, R2P took part in a Round Table Discussion "Safeguarding the Rights of Ukrainian Children Affected by War, Forced Displacement, and Emigration" (Brussels) highlighting a number of critical challenges in the field of the children's rights protection due to the military aggression against Ukraine.
- **On June 19-21**, R2P's President Oleksandr Galkin participated in the Development Assistance Committee Civil Society Days held by Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (Paris) as a key speaker in the panel discussion on the progress and challenges towards enabling civil society for a locally led transformation and balancing partnerships.

INTERVIEWS AND PODCASTS

- **July**: R2P took part in recording the 3rd episode of Advocating for Protection Podcast of the Global Protection Cluster's Advocacy Working Group. R2P emphasized the urgent need for a transparent and just compensation procedure, including for the casualties suffered by the civilians, and the administrative procedure for the registration of the civil status acts that took place on the temporarily occupied territories.
- **July-Aug**: R2P's experts gave a number of comments on various IDPs' rights related matters to Suspilne Novyny, TV Channel Espresso, Radio Svoboda, 4tv gorodok, etc.

JANUARY – AUGUST 2023: DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

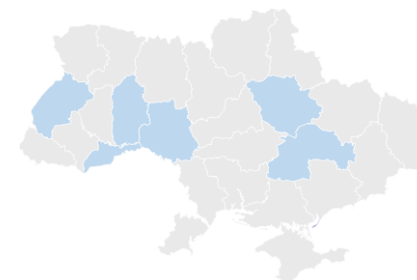
4 COMPLETED PROJECTS AIMED AT:

- Strengthening the level of civil protection and the readiness of communities and institutions of the social sphere for emergencies;
- Raising awareness of communities and institutions of the social sphere regarding protection mainstreaming during emergencies;
- Raising awareness of the problems caused to Ukraine's environment as a result of the full-scale invasion (in particular, damage to water resources)
- Recovery of communities, in particular those affected by a full-scale invasion, according to the principle of 'Build Back Better';



ACTIVITIES IN 6 OBLASTS

Some projects did not have a clearly defined geography, their products targeted all oblasts of Ukraine. Therefore, only those where the geography was clearly defined are indicated.



2 ANALYTICAL MATERIALS:

- Methodological recommendations for the development of a program for the comprehensive restoration of the territory of communities;
- Road map for communities and institutions in the field of social protection in emergency situations.

GENERAL INFORMATION



315 PARTICIPANTS IN CIVIL PROTECTION TRAININGS



452 PARTICIPANTS IN PROTECTION MAINSTREAMING TRAININGS



191 PARTICIPANTS IN THE MHPSS TRAININGS FOR SESU AND CIVIL PROTECTION REPRESENTATIVES



10 COMPREHENSIVE CONSULTATIONS FOR SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND COMMUNITIES REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT AND/OR ADAPTATION OF CIVIL PROTECTION DOCUMENTATION DURING EMERGENCIES

NEW PROJECTS

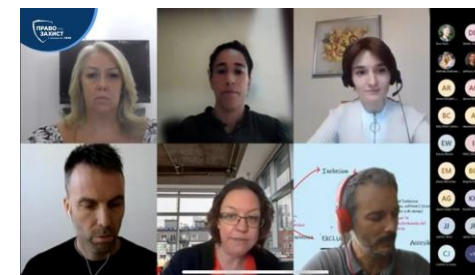
2 NEW PROJECTS LAUNCHED, AIMED AT:

- **Conducting an analytical study devoted to civil protection in the conditions of reforming the institutional care system in Ukraine.** The main focus is on the analysis of the suitability of shelters in educational institutions for children with special educational needs from the perspective of post-war recovery.
Geography - Dnipropetrovska, Kirovohradska (new), Poltavaska oblasts.
- **Legal support of communities (new direction within the DRR Program)** regarding the protection of the right to environmental safety and other environmental rights and interests. The focus is on strengthening the capacity of communities to record and assess the environmental damage caused by a full-scale invasion.
Geography - Chernihivska oblast (new).

JANUARY – AUGUST 2023: STRENGTHENING OF RESILIENCE AND COHESION IN UKRAINE

EVENTS ATTENDED BY R2P

- Social Cohesion program coordinator, Natalia Proskurenko, took part in an international webinar where the concepts and approaches of proactive protection were discussed, which was organized by the Global Protection Cluster. During the event, the risks of conflicts, as well as methods of supporting citizens suffering from problems caused by the war, were considered and analyzed. Specific examples from Ukraine, Colombia, Afghanistan and South Sudan were presented. (16 March, online).
- Civil Society Forum **OUTLINES OF THE FUTURE: VICTORY, RECOVERY AND MODERNIZATION OF UKRAINE**. The Forum aimed to unite and coordinate civil society to create a joint action plan for our Victory and Recovery. R2P talked about the challenges that exist for social cohesion in Ukrainian communities and what to do to strengthen it. (30 May, Kyiv).
- Fellows of Salzburg Global Seminar gathered for a meeting of Ukraine Civil Society Forum. At the meeting, several working groups set out priorities for the country, including concrete recommendations for stakeholders to support the rights, return, and reintegration of displaced persons and refugees, addressing both immediate humanitarian needs and long-term perspectives including the ultimate physical reconstruction and social integration of liberated territories as part of a Ukraine-wide project of national identity. (04-08 June, Salzburg, Austria).



EVENTS ORGANIZED BY R2P

- R2P organized the conference "Ukrainian Approaches to a Just and Lasting Peace". The event brought together representatives of Ukrainian civil society as well as members of international organizations working in the field of peacebuilding. Participants presented the results of peacebuilding projects and initiatives implemented at different levels and explored opportunities for cooperation to improve joint results. (25 July, Kyiv)



JANUARY – AUGUST 2023: STRENGTHENING OF RESILIENCE AND COHESION IN UKRAINE

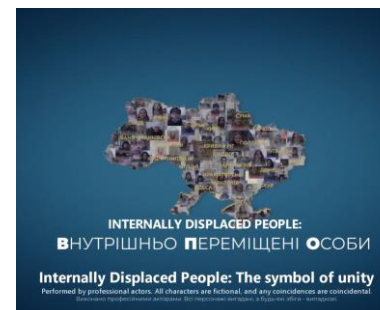
ANTI-STIGMA CAMPAIGN

Our main idea was to raise the issue of stigmatization of internally displaced persons (IDPs). Despite the large mobilization resources of society, conflict situations may arise involving IDPs and representatives of host communities.

The main component was our video, with the help of which we were reaching out to IDPs and host communities to remind them that only by coming together can we survive these difficult times. And the IDPs are in fact, a symbol of unity.

The campaign included Digital promotion of the video (YouTube, Digital TV and Social networks):

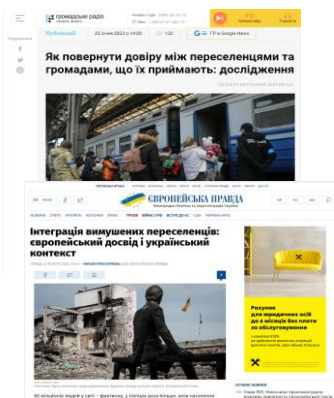
1 800 000+ VIEWS ON YOUTUBE **1 000 000+ INTERACTIONS ON OTHER MEDIA**



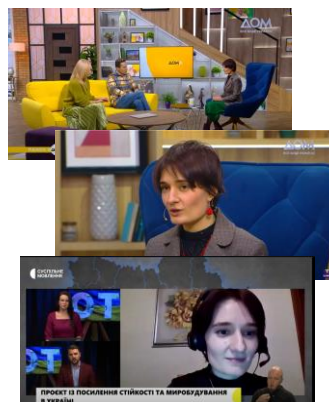
ADDITIONAL MEDIA SUPPORT



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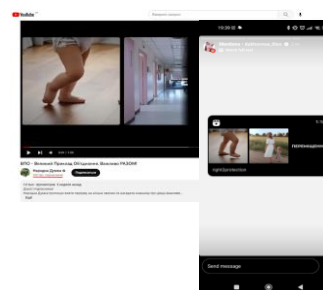


NATIONAL TV CHANNELS
(DOM, SUSPILNE)



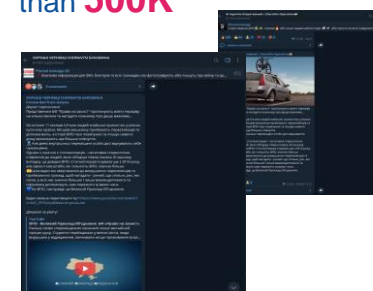
COOPERATION
WITH BLOGGERS

3 mentions from bloggers
with a total audience **940K**



SEEDING IN
TELEGRAM CHANNELS

26 channels with total
number of subscribers more
than **500K**



JANUARY – AUGUST 2023: LEGAL ASSISTANCE TO STATELESS PERSONS

GENERAL INFORMATION

 **23 SPECIALISTS**

 **2 PROJECTS**

 **4256 CONSULTATIONS PROVIDED TO 706 BENEFICIARIES**

 **81 PERSONS OBTAINED PASSPORTS AS A RESULT OF NATIONALITY CONFIRMATION**
(each case proceeded for 1-5 years)

 **125 COURT CASES THAT ATTORNEYS TOOK PART IN**

ACTIVITIES

Research:

- In June 2023, research project “Statelessness in Ukraine: Challenges Caused by Full-Scale Invasion into Ukraine” was launched to provide a comprehensive overview of statelessness in Ukraine.

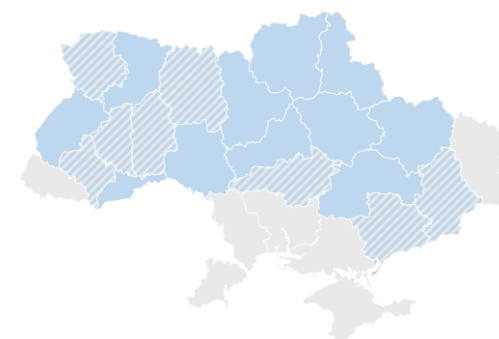
Events:

- Consultations on the resolution of statelessness with the State Migration Service of Ukraine, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Social Policy, State Service of National Statistics, and Ombudsman’s Office. Participants discussed the relevance of the issue of statelessness, shared their experiences of working with stateless and undocumented persons and their own experiences in this area, and made recommendations for future research of statelessness issue in Ukraine;
- Training for representatives of the Ombudsman’s Office on legal definition and regulation of statelessness in Ukraine;
- 2 webinars for lawyers of the Free Legal Aid Centers.

International representation:

- Keynote speech – 7th Online Course on Statelessness (International Institute of Humanitarian Law, Sanremo, Italy) – March 2023
- Panel discussion “Statelessness in a situation of war and occupation: protecting stateless persons in Ukraine and in displacement” – Conference “Addressing Statelessness in Europe”, organised by European Network on Statelessness, Madrid, Spain, June 2023

GEOGRAPHY OF BENEFICIARIES



 **PRESENCE IN 11 REGIONS, COVERING 19 OBLASTS IN TOTAL**

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GENERAL INFORMATION

 **14 SPECIALISTS**

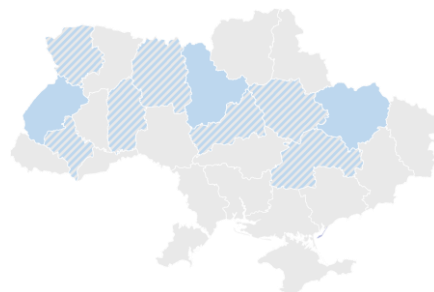
For beneficiaries who fled Ukraine after the full-scale invasion:

 **44 BENEFICIARIES RECEIVED INFORMATION**
(Germany, Netherlands, Sweden, France, Belgium)

For beneficiaries who remained in Ukraine:

 **220 BENEFICIARIES RECEIVED LEGAL AID**

 **31 BENEFICIARIES RECEIVED SOCIAL ASSISTANCE**



 **PRESENCE IN 3 REGIONS, COVERING 10 OBLASTS IN TOTAL**

MISSION

The mission of the program after February 24, 2022 is to ensure:

- that Ukraine complies with its obligations in the field of international protection despite the state of war
- the authorities of the EU and Member States take into account the vulnerability of non-Ukrainian refugees when making decisions about temporary protection

NATIONAL ACTIVITIES

National advocacy:

R2P faced gross violations of refugee rights in Ukraine and the authorities' unwillingness to conduct a dialogue on this topic. Therefore, R2P united the efforts of civil society organisations to make the problem visible and find its solution.

- Publications were placed in the press: What rights of refugees are most often violated in Ukraine. (2023, June 12). Ukrainian Pravda.
- The issues were discussed on the radio: Hromadske Radio. (n.d.). Громадське радіо | Слухайте. думайте. Громадське Радіо.
- A coalition of civil society organizations prepared a collective video appeal to the Government of Ukraine: The Appeal of Public Organisations Regarding the Rights of Refugees and Asylum Seekers in Ukraine.
- A collective public position of civil society organisations has been sent to the Government of Ukraine: "The Position of CSOs Regarding the Prevention of Violation of the Rights of Refugees during the Martial Law in Ukraine".

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NATIONAL ACTIVITIES

National research:

R2P highlights the actual situation of refugees in Ukraine, offering recommendations to the Government of Ukraine for improving it.

- 2023 research: Asylum Seekers and Refugees in Ukraine. Addressing Protection Risks During Wartime.



INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

International advocacy:

- Risks for non-Ukrainian refugees in the EU and ways to overcome them were highlighted in the press: What Happened to the Non-Ukrainian Refugees from Ukraine? — an article published in the online newspaper EUobserver on January 24 2023.
- Mechanisms for taking into account the vulnerabilities of non-Ukrainian refugees when making decisions on temporary protection were discussed together with representatives of the European Parliament, UNHCR, and the European Commission: Hybrid Policy Dialogue — Overcoming Protection Risks for Non-Ukrainian Asylum Seekers and Refugees in the EU, January 26, Brussels, Belgium.

International research:

R2P highlights the actual situation of non-Ukrainian refugees in the EU, offering recommendations to Governments of Member States for improving it.

- 2023 research: Protection Risks Facing Non-Ukrainian Asylum Seekers and Refugees Fleeing Ukraine to the EU.





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