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Lviv, Ukraine (online)

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22 June 2022

CHAIR
Ukraine Logistics Cluster

PARTICIPANTS

ACTION POINTS
• The Logistics Cluster to update partners on operational updates as available.
• The Logistics Cluster to continue to compile inputs on border crossing information.
• Partners encouraged discuss prospective needs in relation to winterisation planning with the Logistics Cluster

AGENDA
1. Operational updates from the Logistics Cluster Support Team
2. HI-Atlas Logistique update
3. Border crossing point/Port update
4. Fuel
5. Partner Update: World Central Kitchen
6. Winterization
7. AOB

1. Operational Updates from the Logistics Cluster Support team

COORDINATION AND INFORMATION MANAGEMENT
• National Logistics Cluster coordination meetings will take place every two weeks (Wednesdays). The next meeting will take place on 6 June. An invite will be sent via the mailing list.
• To support operational planning, Logistics Cluster partners are asked to submit incoming pipelines. If needed, the Logistics Cluster can provide a template. For more information, please contact Ukraine.logisticscluster@wfp.org.
• The latest Concept of Operations (ConOps) can be found here. Partners are reminded that this is a live document and activities will be adapted and revised as the situation unfolds and further assessment results become available.
The Logistics Cluster provided an overview of humanitarian storage capacity. Information has been collected through a pilot warehouse survey launched as part of the Logistics Information Exchange (Log:IE) platform. The survey collects information on current storage capacities of humanitarian organisations responding to the Ukraine crisis, and complements efforts related to the ongoing Gaps and Needs Analysis (GNA) exercise. According to the survey, a total 24 humanitarian partners have reported on 63 warehouses.

COMMON SERVICES

- The Logistics Cluster facilitates access to storage and transportation services from Rzeszow into Ukraine as well as facilitating the access to services in Chernivtsi, Dnipropetrovsk, Lviv, Kropyvnytskyi, Kyiv, Odesa and Ternopil.
- The Logistics Cluster facilitated cargo consolidation and access to a dedicated fleet of 12 trucks on behalf of seven partners for the sixth inter-agency humanitarian convoy to Sloviansk and Kramatorsk on 20 June.

2. HI-Atlas Logistique Update

- HI-Atlas Logistique presented a brief overview of their operations. The organisation has increased shipments to hard-to-reach destinations from Dnipropetrovsk, including last mile deliveries to Bakhmut, Druzhkivka and Dobropillya, Kharkiv, Kramatorsk, Nikopol, Soledar, Toretsk, and Zaporizhia.
- HI-Atlas Logistique is providing access on a free-to-user basis to warehouses in Vinnytsia (1,300 m2; 150 m2 for cold chain) and Dnipropetrovsk (1,200m2; cold chain storage is planned to be operative since July).
- It was mentioned that additional warehouse space in hard-to-reach areas is being explored.
- Interested partners can contact HI-Atlas Logistique directly: c.perron@hi.org; m.vidon@hi.org; b.michon@hi.org

3. Border Crossing Point (BCP)/Ports update

- The Logistics Cluster provided an update on BCPs noting that humanitarian cargo should be imported into Ukraine under simplified procedure from Poland only through the dedicated cross-border points in Dorohusk- Jahodin and Korczowa-Krakovets. Live updates on the waiting time can be found at Polish and Ukrainian websites:
- Partners were reminded that documents for the simplified import procedure can be filled online after verification via mobile phone number. The online form is operational for foreigners and verification code was sent to the Polish phone number.
- It was mentioned that Korczowa-Krakovets BCP has been reorganized, which is expected to increase capacity of this BCP by 50 percent. Movement of buses out of Ukraine through Korczowa-Krakovets border crossing point has been suspended due to the reorganization. The Logistics Cluster will keep partners updated.
- For cargo in and outgoing from Romania, “Siret-Porubne” border crossing point remains the most congested. It was reported by the BCP authorities that there is minimal congestion at the Diakove – Halmeu crossing point (situated around 7 hours’ drive west of Siret).
Slight congestion was observed in Constanța Port; Gdansk container terminal seems to be free of delays. Additionally, partners noted that there is improvement related to the waiting time in Tulcea Port at the Danube River.

It was mentioned that regular railway connection has been opened from the Gdansk container terminal into Ukraine through the Medyka border crossing.

The Ukraine Logistics Cluster Support Team continues to monitor the situation and provide humanitarian organisations with the information on procedures and processes. For more information or to provide updates, please contact ukraine.logisticscluster@wfp.org

4. Fuel

WFP provided an update on fuel shortages, noting that fuel prices have increased significantly since the beginning of May due to attacks on the fuel infrastructure and challenges in relation to fuel importation. However, the prices have been relatively stable in these past 1.5 months, albeit high.

WFP is working with both national and international suppliers to meet the organisation’s fuel needs, as well as those outlined by the humanitarian community. Fuel is planned to be stored in empty fuelling stations from the local suppliers in the three humanitarian hubs (Dnipro, Kyiv, Kropyvnytskyi).

It is anticipated that fuel provision will be implemented on a cost-recovery basis via WFP. To access the service, humanitarian organisations will be required to sign a Service Level Agreement (SLA).

To support in establishing effective fuel supply chain pipelines, WFP encourages partners to reach out on their plans to use bilateral service provision. Humanitarian organisations requiring less than 1,000 L per month are recommended to procure the fuel commercially. Given the dynamic operational environment, planning remains ongoing. Further updates will be provided on fuel as it becomes available.

5. Partner Update

World Central Kitchen (WCK) presented an overview of their operations in Ukraine. Since the beginning of the war, WCK served more than 44 million meals at the border and within Ukraine.

WCK operates through 12 different hubs in major cities throughout Ukraine. Deliveries into Ukraine are transported with 160 trucks, providing 330,000 mt of food parcels in a week.

For more information, partners can reach out to John Torpey (jtorpey@worldcentralkitchen.org)

5. Winterization Planning

Partners are asked to discuss prospective needs in relation to winterisation planning with the Logistics Cluster (i.e., additional requests for storage and/or transport services). Partners are also encouraged to share winterisation procurement plans to support operational planning and help reduce border congestion.

It was reported that winterisation scale-up operations will accompany collective centre and/or household-level interventions.

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• It was proposed to establish coordination meetings co-led by the Logistics and Shelter Clusters for partners to identify key bottlenecks and challenges specifically related to winterisation planning.
• Partners with insights related to local procurements or pipelines, encouraged to contact ukraine.logisticscluster@wfp.org.

6. Any Other Business (AOB)

• It was noted that coordination meetings are first and foremost organised for the humanitarian community to discuss logistics challenges, bottlenecks and operations related to the Ukraine crisis.
• The next Dnipro Coordination Meeting will be held on 29 June in-person only; an invite will be sent via the mailing list.
• Organisations are encouraged to reach out to the Logistics Cluster Support Team on current challenges, as well as to propose topics for coordination meetings. For further information on this or the Logistics Cluster activities please contact ukraine.logisticscluster@wfp.org.

The next national Logistics Cluster for Ukraine coordination meeting will take place on 6 July 2022

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