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Global Refugee Accommodation Working Group (GRAWG)

Consultations on Resettlement and Complementary Pathways

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**Refugee Council
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Agenda

- **Origin of and rationale** behind GRAWG
- **Mission** of GRAWG
- Proposed **activities** and **outcomes**
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- **Progress highlights; GRAWG Member responsibilities**
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Origin of and Rationale Behind GRAWG

2023 ATCR participants agreed to establish a dedicated working group on Affordable Safe Housing (ASH), identified as a key challenge.

The Irish Refugee Protection Programme (IRPP) and Church World Service (CWS) agreed to be co-chairs.

Mission

- To unite key stakeholders across the globe working on ASH.
- To ensure global and cross-sector coordination and communication on ASH.
- To collaborate on ASH challenges and opportunities.

Proposed Activities & Outcomes

Deliverable

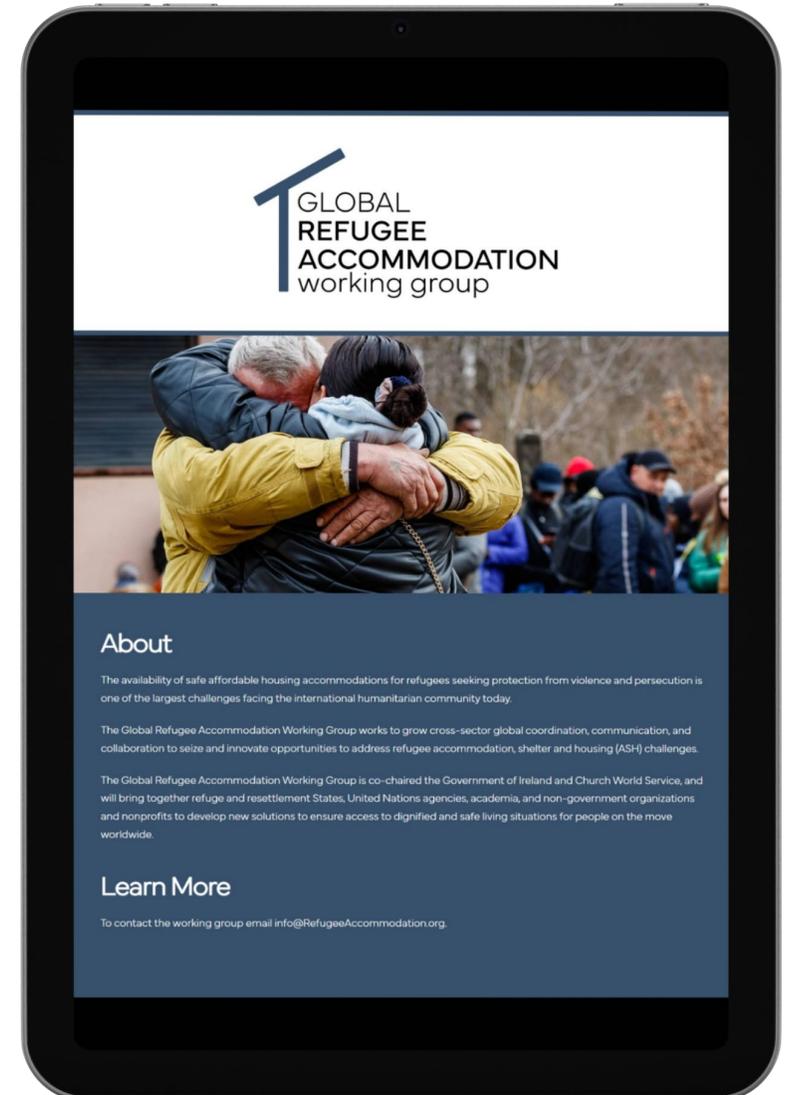
- Launch Global Refugee Accommodation Working Group
- Develop and use a real-time, interactive internal communication platform.
- Hold regular multi-stakeholder convenings in a forum for sharing and learning.
- Regularly review ASH challenges/needs.
- Develop, use, and share an info-data platform to track global ASH challenges, solutions, opportunities, etc.
- Promote innovative affordable ASH responses and solutions for refugees and new arrivals.

Outcome

Increase access to short and long-term accommodation solutions options for newcomers through global convening, partnership, and sharing of best practices.

Progress Highlights

- Website (refugeeaccommodation.org) and shared workplace created
- Initial meeting launched
- Terms of Reference
- Contact information:
info@refugeeaccommodation.org
- Expression of Interest Form
- Upcoming meeting: 17 April 2024



Innovative Solutions

Launch Capital Partners, LLC.

“We invest in safe housing to serve every immigrant, refugee, and person in pursuit of a new American dream.”



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“[Refugees need] reasonably priced and robust homes . . . demolition of existing buildings is a waste of resources. The office buildings we studied are generally robust and flexibly constructed. Often, they can be converted into homes by simple means.”



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Key Initiatives Ahead

As the Global Accommodation Working Group launches publicly, we hope to ensure global and cross-sector **coordination**, **communication**, and **collaboration** on accommodation/shelter/housing (ASH) challenges and opportunities to ensure dignified and safe living situations for people on the move worldwide.



COORDINATION

Convene key sectoral stakeholders globally in a forum that meets regularly for sharing and learning.



COMMUNICATION

Use a real-time, interactive communication platform and protocols for the Working Group and sub-groups.



COLLABORATION & INNOVATION

Use an info-data platform to track global ASH information, challenges, solutions, opportunities, and successful initiatives.

Next Steps

Join the Global Refugee Accommodation Working Group

Member responsibilities:

- Remain consistently active in sharing ASH challenges, opportunities, innovations, etc. during and after GRAWG meetings.
- Lead or participate in sub-group teams and projects as applicable.

Next meeting: 17 APRIL 2024



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