

# NO LOST GENERATION

## ANNUAL REPORT

August 2021 to August 2022



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Wafaa, 15, attending a grade 9 remedial class in a UNICEF-supported integrated learning centre, in Qseibeh village, Qunetira, Syria © UNICEF/UN0649320/Shahan

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# I. ABOUT NO LOST GENERATION (NLG)



The No Lost Generation (NLG) initiative is an advocacy platform bringing together 40 UN agencies, INGOs and NGOs championing the cause of children, adolescents and youth affected by the Syria crisis. It was initiated in 2013 in support of the responses in Syria and the five top refugee hosting countries: Lebanon, Jordan, Turkey, Iraq and Egypt.



Embedded within existing planning, coordination, reporting and advocacy structures of the humanitarian response to the Syrian crisis, namely the Syria's Humanitarian Response Plan and the Regional Refugee and Response Plan (3RP), the NLG initiative comprises joint, evidence-based advocacy to push for investment, policy change and programmatic improvements in relation to the areas of:



**Education**



**Child Protection**



**Mental Health and  
Psychosocial Support**

NLG is currently co-chaired by UNICEF MENARO and World Vision Syria Response teams based in Amman, Jordan. It also includes INGOs, NGOs and UN agencies among its members while also maintaining close coordination with donor agencies, development and aid actors.

## II. THE NLG COMMUNITY

### Members

NLG Members currently comprise of 40 humanitarian and development organisations, including NGOs and UN agencies, each of which has programmes in at least two of the six NLG countries. They include:



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## MESSAGES OF THANKS TO THE NLG COMMUNITY FROM OUR CO-CHAIRS



**Alexandra Matei, Advocacy and Communications Director at World Vision Syria Response and NLG Co-chair:**

No Lost Generation is a true effort and commitment of aid and non-aid actors responding to the largest displacement crisis globally. Despite the crisis being in its 11th year, Syrian children still hope and try to build their lives in displacement camps or host communities in refugee hosting countries, or in their own home place that is torn by war and destruction. Without the support of our members, these children's voices and their stories would not be heard by governments, donors and all of those who have the political influence to change their lives for the better. Now it is not the time to stop if we are to continue ensuring no generations are lost while conflict has no end in sight. Thanks to you, we are championing their needs together and allocating resources to walk the talk with them!



**Jose Bergua, Regional Advisor for No Lost Generation and Strategic Partnerships at UNICEF MENARO and NLG Co-chair:**

Eleven years have passed. An entire lifetime for so many Syrian children. A decade of highs and lows, of achievements and frustrations, of hopes and blows... But we got a clear message from you, No Lost Generation members and partners: we need NLG more than ever, precisely to fight the fatigue and the uncertainties ahead of us. Syrian children and their families continue to struggle and give a lesson every day of resilience and hope. Let us continue standing by them and advocating for an end to this terrible conflict and a lasting solution for Syria and its people. Thanks to all of you for making it possible.

### III. PROGRESS FROM AUGUST 2021 TO AUGUST 2022

SEP 2021

#### INGO MEMBERS MEETING

More than 20 participants actively attended, NLG priorities for 2022 were outlined together with partners who also expressed interest in further collaboration on advocacy efforts linked to education, child protection and durable solutions in the region.

OCT 2021

#### DONORS' MAPPING

NLG conducted a detailed mapping of the most influential donor agencies contributing to the education, child protection and adolescents & youth pillars in the MENA region. The aim of this mapping is to renew networking and collaboration with donor agencies while also influencing their strategic priorities focusing on children and youth in the region.

NOV 2021

#### MHPSS REPORT AND CONFERENCE

##### REPORT: Gaps in MHPSS programming affecting already vulnerable population in the Middle East

The NLG's MHPSS task force commissioned a survey and desk review to examine the status of MHPSS programming in the region, identify gaps in the sector, and offer strategy and policy recommendations based on MHPSS providers' first-hand experience, while understanding the impact of COVID-19. Findings were published in November 2021 and included an overview of MHPSS gaps in the region.

The MHPSS task force also put together an information sharing platform for all NLG members' MHPSS resources available [HERE](#).



*“The pandemic led to an increase in child abuse cases and high levels of domestic violence affecting women and children, which means that levels of depression also increased within the impacted communities.” – MHPSS staff in Iraq*

#### REGIONAL CONFERENCE: HOW DO WE STRENGTHEN THE MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF VULNERABLE PEOPLE IN THE MENA REGION?

More than 70 participants – including representatives from the ministries of health of Iraq, Jordan and Lebanon, mental health experts, humanitarian organizations and donor agencies – attended the event to discuss systems strengthening, gaps in service provision and key findings and recommendations from recent MHPSS research initiatives.

Some of the recommendations made by panellists included:

- \* Increasing investment in family and child therapeutic approaches and interventions,
- \* Recognizing MHPSS as a right for children and their families and as a life-saving intervention, and
- \* Increasing engagement with youth for their own mental health wellbeing, so that they can contribute to service design and delivery in the region.

Recording of the conference available [HERE](#).

## HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS MEETING - GLOBAL REFUGEE FORUM (GRF)

### POLICY BRIEF: [Crossroads: the Syrian children's rights and the Global Refugee Forum](#)

As part of the High-Level Officials meeting and to mark the two-year anniversary of the Global Refugee Forum, No Lost Generation published a policy brief based on World Vision's desk analysis of child protection and education pledges by selected international actors present at the 2019 Global Refugee Forum (GRF). The briefing highlighted the unequivocal failure of key Syria actors to address the protection needs of Syrian children.

A [statement](#) by NLG co-chairs raising the alarm of the child rights crisis was also released on the NLG website and gathered more than 600 views on NLG's Twitter account.

**VIDEOS:** Three doodle videos inspired by the real life stories and experiences of three Syrian children impacted by conflict and displacement were also released ahead of the High-level Officials Meeting.



*"More than ten years later, Syria continues to be the biggest refugee crisis in the world. We cannot and we must not forget the rights and needs of Syrian children, adolescents and young people, who are paying the biggest price for our collective failures. Within the framework of the GRF, we must redouble our efforts to promote and protect their rights and those of the communities hosting them. Now." - Jose Bergua, NLG Co-chair at UNICEF*

## FOCUS ON INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

### REPORT: [Yearning to learn: behavioral barriers and enablers to inclusive education in Jordan](#)

With the support of NLG, World Vision and Mercy Corps conducted a behavioral barrier analysis among more than 250 Jordanian and Syrian parents of children with disabilities in host community and camp settings in northern Jordan. Focus group discussions were also held to better understand the challenges faced with inclusion in classrooms and remote learning during the COVID-19 pandemic.



### SIDE EVENT: [GLOBAL DISABILITY SUMMIT 2022](#)

On 17 February 2022, World Vision and Mercy Corps presented the findings of the report at a side event of the [Global Disability Summit](#). The side event panel also included senior representatives from GIZ, the Jordanian Ministry of Education and its Higher Council for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, who also shared findings and best practices on inclusive education from recent interventions and studies. The event was attended by representatives from humanitarian organizations, UN agencies and donor agencies working on inclusive education in the MENA region and globally.



Some of the key recommendations from the Y2L report included: (1) developing strong support networks for parents of children with disabilities to enable them to value their child's education and support their regular school attendance and (2) addressing disability-related bullying and stigma through community-led approaches that challenge negative norms towards disability and foster an inclusive environment.

## REVIVING NLG PARTNERSHIPS

NLG Coordination Team held bilateral meetings with most NLG members to discuss the future roadmap and the action plan for the remainder of Phase III of the NLG initiative. It was also an opportunity to renew the commitment from each NLG member and hear from them what works well and what needs to be changed or strengthened.

## 11<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE SYRIAN CONFLICT

On the occasion of the 11<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Syrian conflict, NLG released a statement and a UNICEF fact sheet highlighting the deteriorating humanitarian situation in Syria, particularly impacting children and youth:

[STATEMENT: Syrian children must not be forgotten while their futures remain at risk](#)

On the 11<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the conflict, Syria remained one of the world's most unsafe places for children. In February 2022, at least 6 children died in northwest Syria following an airstrike, while at least 5 other children died as freezing weather struck their IDP camps. Meanwhile, in the northeast of the country, thousands of children – some as young as 12 years old – remained in detention in or around Al Hol camp and continue to be at imminent risk of violence and exploitation.

[UNICEF FACT SHEET: Children and the Syria regional crisis- 11 years on](#)

*“Global leaders and major donors must not yet turn the page on the Syrian crisis while millions of children remain at risk of missing out on their education, and simply getting the chance to live healthy and fulfilled lives after more than a decade of unimaginable violence... The time is now to reaffirm that their futures remain a priority for the international community as a whole.” – said Alexandra Matei, NLG Co-Chair at WVSR*

## NLG ALL MEMBERS EVENT IN AMMAN

A hybrid all members event was held in Amman in March gathering more than 26 NLG members from the region. An NLG Advocacy Working Group will be established in parallel to the technical pillars in order to join efforts on common advocacy objectives linked to child protection, education and youth in the region.

Key takeaways from the meeting included agreeing on a new bolder narrative to link the advocacy around the Syria crisis with the Ukraine crisis and share lessons learnt from the Syrian crisis. No Lost Generation members also decided to strengthen their advocacy with national actors and to coordinate with other regional and global advocacy platforms.





## CARNEGIE MENA EVENT – SYRIA 11

[EVENT: Eleven years on the crisis in Syria: What does the future hold for Syrian children and young people?](#)

The Malcolm H. Kerr Carnegie Middle East Centre, Gallup International/ORBI, the No Lost Generation (NLG) initiative and UNICEF came together in an online event on 30 March 2022 to provide an overview of the situation of Syrian children, analyzing global and regional dynamics and presenting voices of young people.



The event aimed at kickstarting a discussion on the future of aid, given the multiple needs of children inside Syria and in neighbouring countries, in a complex political context and emerging crises. The event was moderated by Arwa Damon, CNN Senior International Correspondent. Panellists included:

- Dr. Marwan Muasher, Vice President for Studies, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
- Johnny Heald, CEO/Managing Director, ORB/Gallup International
- Bertrand Bainvel, UNICEF Deputy Regional Director for the Middle East and North Africa, NLG Co-Chair
- Dr. Maha Yahya, Director, Malcolm H. Kerr Carnegie Middle East Center
- Kathryn Achilles, Advocacy, Media and Communications Director- Syria Response Office, Save the Children, NLG Member

Panellists highlighted the urgent need to invest in Syrian children's education as the current education crisis is affecting youth development and their future contributions to their societies. Other key programmatic priorities should also be responding to the increase in child labor and child marriage resulting not only from the war, but also from the dire economic crisis and two years into the COVID-19 pandemic.

Speakers clearly advocated for an urgent response to the violations of children's rights in Syria. Before a political solution is found to the crisis, humanitarian actors, donors and governments need to continue to deliver assistance while creating bridges to also provide development and early recovery.

The recording of the event was watched by more than 668 people and is available [HERE](#).



*"Hope can be restored. When a child begins to receive assistance and sees the outline of a better and different future, you physically see hope returns to that child's eyes. This goes for adults as well. Even though it may seem that childhood or hope has been destroyed, it can be restored" - Arwa Damon*

*"Let's not forget that in the midst of this crisis, some people are fighting really hard to find solutions and keeping hope. Parents are heroes in terms of keeping their families together, trying to find ways to bring food to the table, sending their children to schools. Health workers, nurses and teachers continue doing their jobs" - Bertrand Bainvel.*

## BRUSSELS VI CONFERENCE ON SYRIA

[YOUTH CONSULTATION: 11 years on... Syrian youth still dream big for their future!](#)

On 28 April 2022, NLG members consulted with a group of Syrian and Palestine Refugees from Syria (PRS) adolescents and youths in Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey and Syria to discuss their concerns, suggested solutions and hopes for the future ahead of the Brussels VI conference of 9-10 May 2022.

The discussion revolved around five key discussion themes: (1) Daily challenges faced by children, youth and their families, (2) Impact of the humanitarian response and other suggested solutions, (3) Hopes and dreams for the future, (4) Key messages for stakeholders meeting at the Brussels conference, and (5) Some messages of hope for the young generations impacted by the recent conflict in Ukraine.

[ADVOCACY BRIEF: Investing in Syria's children and youth: a promise we all need to keep](#)

Ahead of the Brussels VI Conference, No Lost Generation released an advocacy brief highlighting that the needs of Syrian children have never been more urgent, despite the decreasing international attention on Syria. The year 2022 has seen the highest number of girls and boys in need ever recorded since the beginning of the conflict. Facing these unprecedented challenges, No Lost Generation recommended that all stakeholders involved in the Syria crisis response:

1. Work together with all stakeholders to bring an end to the conflict.
2. Protect children at all costs,
3. Preserve humanitarian assistance channels serving those in need,
4. Empower communities and expand social protection schemes, to ensure that children and their families can cope with the multiple challenges they face.

The Brussels VI Conference was also attended by Alexandra Matei – NLG Co-Chair at World Vision Syria Response – who stressed on the rising needs of children and youth in Syria.

*“When a refugee child first arrives to a host country, he or she might stay at home, feel isolated from others, and their mental health will slowly deteriorate... but when they have the chance to attend classes or activities organized by humanitarian organizations and socialize with other children... it will make all the negative thoughts go away.. I am one of these children...”*  
– Adolescent girl and Syrian refugee high school student in Lebanon

*“We wish to tell them [Ukrainian children and youth] do not give up! What is happening to them is outside of their control and it is not their fault... as it was also not our fault in Syria... Don't be afraid, don't give up, don't lose hope because of the war... And most importantly, stay focused on your education and stay hopeful for a brighter future!”*  
– Syrian and Palestinian refugee university students in Jordan



*“Will the Brussels Conference on Syria rise to the expected standards of responsibility-sharing and investment in protection, mental health, education and livelihoods? Half of those displaced are children and 2.5 million of them are out of school. Let's not forget the women and children of Syria!”* – Alexandra Matei, NLG Co-chair at WWSR

*“Against all odds, there continues to be roughly 4.5 million children from Syria who have access to learning opportunities. This is thanks to huge efforts everywhere from local communities, teachers, the civil society, international organisations, and generous funding from donors, as well as other joint initiatives like the No Lost Generation that UNICEF is happy to co-chair.”* - Catherine Russell, UNICEF's Executive Director

## NLG EDUCATION PILLAR RELEASES ANNUAL EDUCATION BRIEF

### [ANNUAL EDUCATION BRIEF: Keeping the promise of a No Lost Generation: support education for all Syrian children and youth](#)

The NLG Education Pillar released its annual education brief, providing an update on access to education for Syrian children in Syria and host countries and on the financial requirements of the education sectors in the 3RP and HRP. The report stressed that over a decade into the Syrian conflict, lifelong relevant learning opportunities for quality inclusive education and skills acquisition services must be available, accessible, predictable, and continuous for all children, adolescents and youth in Syria and the five key host countries namely Egypt, Turkey, Jordan, Lebanon and Iraq.

## WORLD REFUGEE DAY

On the occasion of World Refugee Day 2022, an NLG banner was published on the Politico EU website, capturing more than 12,000 impressions.



## UNSC CROSS BORDER RESOLUTION FOR SYRIA

### [OPEN LETTER to the UN Security Council on Cross-Border Humanitarian Assistance](#)

### [UN Humanitarian Leaders Call for the Renewal of Cross-Border Aid Authorization to Northwest Syria | No Lost Generation](#)

Ahead of the vote on the Cross Border Resolution for Syria in July 2022, 32 NGO leaders – among them NLG members – called on the UN Security Council to renew the resolution for a period of 12 months in an open letter published in June 2022.

UN humanitarian leaders also issued a joint statement calling for continued cross-border assistance for an additional 12 months and highlighting that the mechanism provides humanitarian aid to more than 2.4 million people each month in Northwest Syria.

Following days of discussion and delays in the voting process, the resolution was renewed for a period of 6 months only, to the disappointment of many NLG members responding to children and youth's growing education, protection and mental health needs in northwest Syria.

*“There is no rationale for reducing humanitarian access at a time when both more people than ever need life-saving assistance and when there is no viable alternative. More, not less, access across all modalities is needed.” – they stated.*

*“Over the years, funding for this lifeline operation has been dwindling. Amid other critical crises globally, we call for predictable funding to support the delivery of assistance to northwest Syria. The lives of millions of people depend on it.”*

## IV. NLG ONLINE IMPACT



Followers' trend:

**\*161** an increase from 147%

Total profile visits:

**20,048**

Total tweets' impressions:

**22,950**

Total number of mentions:

**121**

No Lost Generation twitter witnessed an important growth in Tweet impressions and profile visits at several key moments of the year, including the regional MHPSS conference of November 2021; the Global Disability Summit and event in collaboration with the Carnegie Middle East Center in February 2022 and March 2022, and lastly, the Brussels VI Conference of May 2022.

### TOP 5 TWEETS

1 Expand support to governments to increase education expenditures  
2 Set targets for #SDG4 on #inclusiveducation  
3 Support parents and teachers

Inclusive education is not a luxury. It is a must, even when resources are limited.

Jose Bergua; NLG co-lead @UNICEFmena  
#GDS2022  
Traducir Tweet

**No.1**  
**February 2022**  
**1,376 impressions**  
[Link](#)

From No Lost Generation team, our warmest wishes to all celebrating the holy month of #Ramadan. Wishing you a blessed and peaceful Ramadan, wherever you are.

كل عام وانتم بخير  
#RamadanKareem #RamadanMubarak  
Traducir Tweet

**No.2**  
**April 2022**  
**1,362 impressions**  
[Link](#)

A reminder: More than 90% of #Syrians live below the poverty line.

#RefugeeForum let's take this chance to re-assess our commitment and ✓pledges to one of the worst ongoing humanitarian #crisis - #Syria

tinyurl.com/yc6sauw6  
#GRF | #Syria | #TimeToAct  
Traducir Tweet

**No.3**  
**December 2021**  
**867 impressions**  
[Link](#)

11 years on the crisis in #Syria: What does the future hold for children and young people?

Join us this Wednesday 10:00 AM Amman/Beirut Time

To register to the event for more info:  
[tinyurl.com/43sdjyyw](https://tinyurl.com/43sdjyyw)

@CarnegieMEC @savechildrenmee @UNICEFmena  
[tinyurl.com/2p88a2sy](https://tinyurl.com/2p88a2sy)  
Traducir Tweet

nolostgeneration.org  
EVENT- Eleven years on the crisis in Syria: What does the future hold for Syrian children and young...

**No.4**  
**March 2022**  
**648 impressions**  
[Link](#)

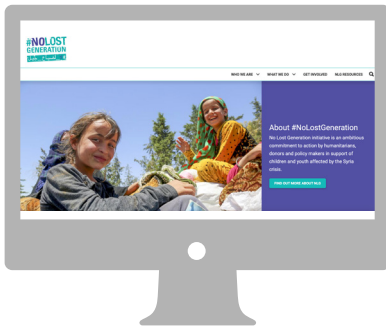
Eleven years on the crisis: What does the future hold for Syrian children and young people?

Join us for a discussion with @katcophony, Bertrand Bainvel, @ORB\_Johnny, @MarwanMuasher, @mahamyahya, and @arwaCNN

March 30  
10:00-11:30 A.M. Amman  
[carnegie-mec.org/e-7841](https://carnegie-mec.org/e-7841)  
Traducir Tweet

**No.4**  
**March 2021**  
**531 impressions**  
[Link](#)

## WEBSITE



<https://www.nolostgeneration.org/>

Total number of sessions:

**10,845**

Social interactions:

**10**

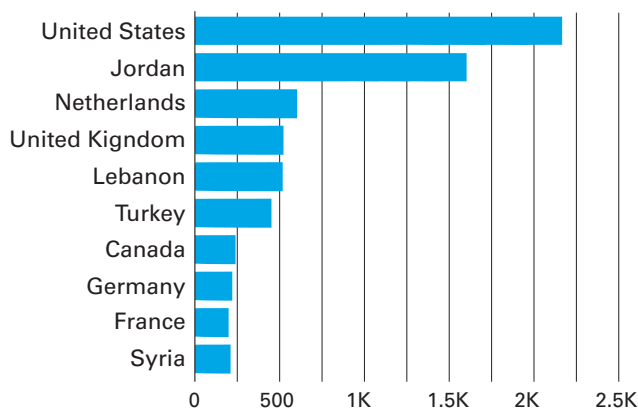
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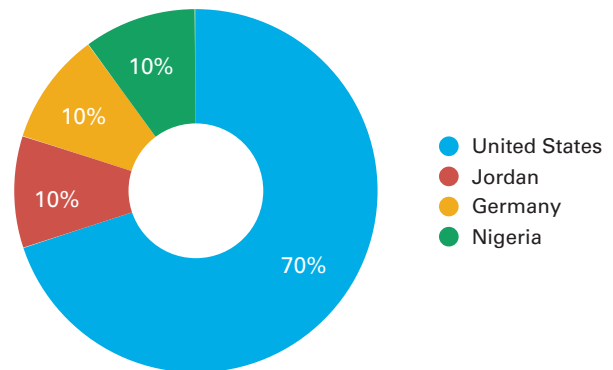
Downloads:

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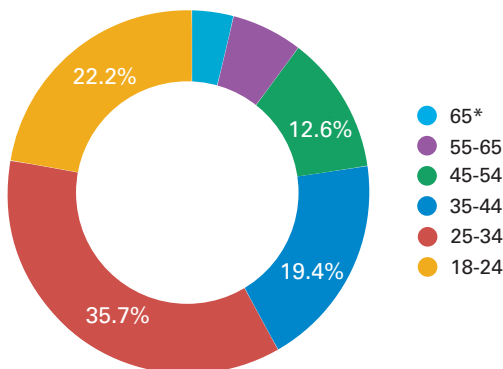
Users by Country - sessions



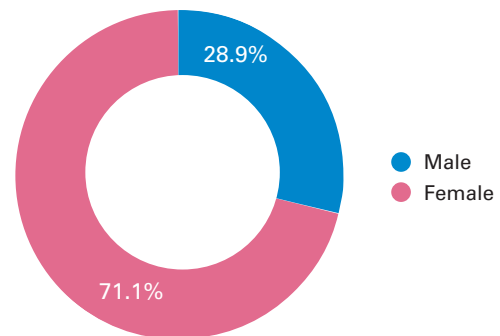
Downloads by Country



Users by Age



User by Gender



Analysis of the top sessions:



**December 16: 88 visits** corresponding to the [launch of our videos for the second anniversary of the Global Refugee Forum](#).



**March 15: 132 visits** corresponding to [our Syria 11 statement](#).



**January 20: 65 visits** corresponding to the presentation of the [Yearning to Learn initial conclusions during the Global Disability Summit: Inclusive Education Thematic Workshop](#).



**April 13: 99 visits to our website**



**May 9: 136 visits** corresponding to the start of the Brussels VI Conference and the [release of our advocacy brief](#) and [our youth brief](#).



**February 16: 69 visits** corresponding to [our social media package ahead of February 17's No Lost Generation presenting of the Yearning to Learn report to the Global Disability Summit](#).



**June 20: 77 visits** corresponding to the advertisement campaign with Politico Europe on the occasion of World Refugee Day.

## V. FUNDING GAPS ANALYSIS

March 2022 marked the 11<sup>th</sup> year of the war in Syria which was characterized by donor fatigue and a looming food crisis as a result of the Ukraine crisis affecting the food supply and the already inflated global food prices. While needs have surged inside Syria – by a quarter since 2020 – and more children lack nutritious food or any at all while gross violations continue to put them at harm’s way, the whole region has been affected by the deepening economic crisis and the lasting effects of COVID-19. Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Turkey where 2.6M Syrian registered refugees live, have reported that their parents and caregivers’ loss of livelihoods caused increased needs for social assistance to cover basic needs, with a majority reporting use of negative coping strategies, such as cutting down the number and quantity of meals per day, with adults prioritizing their children’s food needs over their own.

Overall needs have also surged which require the immediate support of international donors to ensure the 6M Syrian refugee children and children from host communities and the 6.5M Syrian children still living in Syria, are provided with safety, protection services, quality education and mental health support. In this context, Syria continues to witness an upward trend of displaced children while funding has never been lower. According to the 3RP 2021 data, the overall needs across the region were **only 46% funded**. This was the **lowest percentage** in funding since the 3RP was launched in 2015. Those in need in the region **have also doubled since 2018** as more than 10M displaced Syrian and people living in host communities are now in need of assistance. 2022 looks equally concerning as needs are met only by 13.8% in the first half of the year.

This year, Syrian aid agencies are sending a resounding message: that the combination of long-term humanitarian crisis inside Syria with the rapidly worsening economic circumstances, is gradually eroding the progress achieved to date. Syrian families and children’s resilience is at a breaking point if funding is not urgently provided. However, the humanitarian community continues to witness a concerning trend of funding cuts related to the Syria crisis:

Lebanon and Iraq have received the lowest financial support amongst host refugee countries absorbing the needs of displaced Syrian children and people, to meet the most basic needs and support resilience building programs.

**Lebanon 43% in 2021**

**Iraq 45% in 2021**

Syria HRP 2022-2023 is also only 24.6% funded as half of those in need of humanitarian aid, are girls and boys. As their lives are constantly at risk – either of attacks, kidnappings, or forced child labour or early marriage, only 5% of their **protection needs** are met to date.

**Syria HRP 2022-2023 24.6% funded**

Syrian children’s access to **education** is also severely underfunded inside the country – only 2% of education needs are met to date, while 20% of these needs were met last year.

Child protection and access to basic needs continue to be identified as the most urgent priorities for the refugee populations across the No Lost Generation region. They are also severely underfunded sectors to which the safety and well-being of Syrian children on the move depend on:

According to the 3RP 2021 Progress Report, protection needs are only 30% met while only 21% of the basic needs are covered.

**Protection needs are 30% met**

**Basic needs 21% covered**

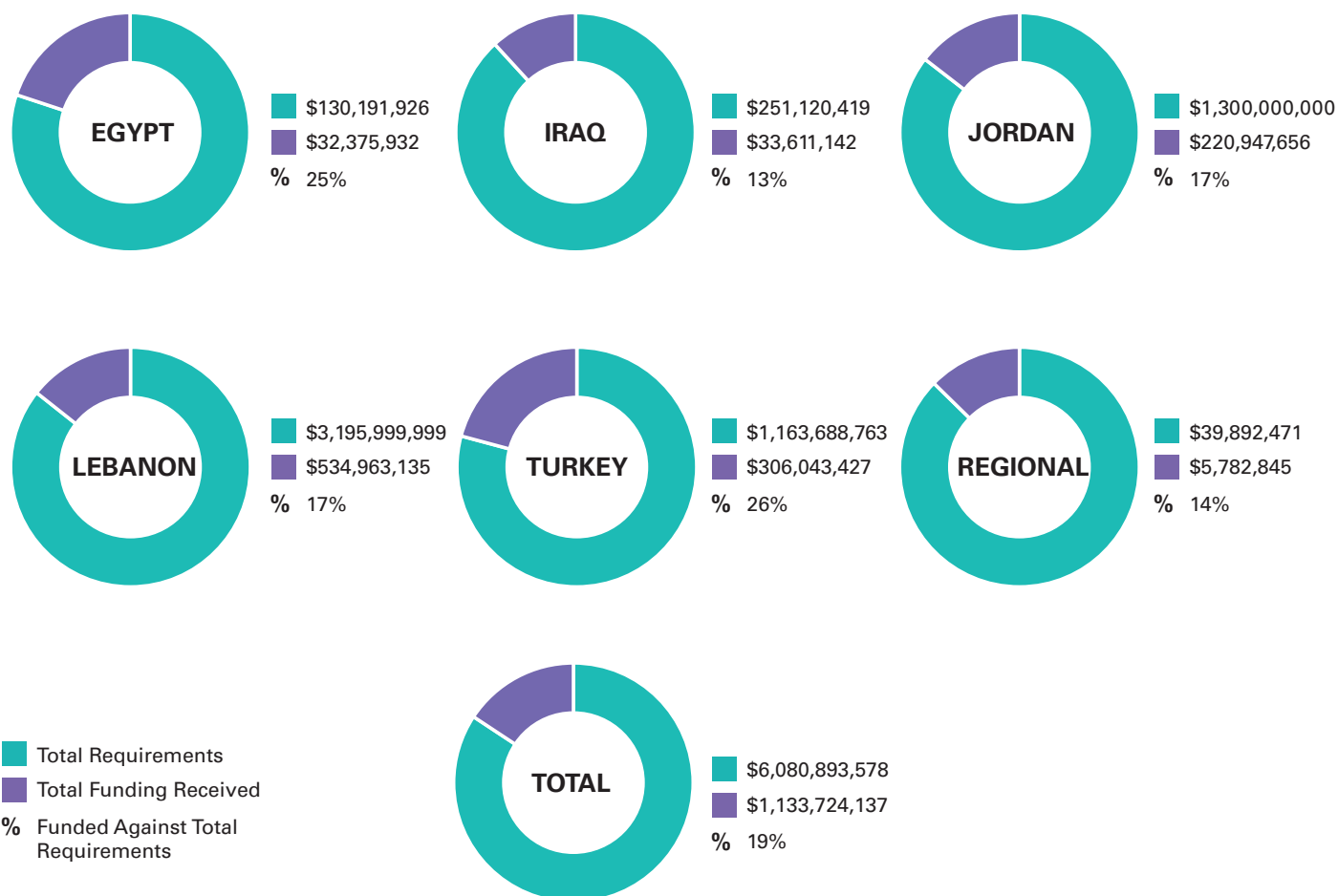
In Turkey, from January to June 2021, basic needs were the least funded, at 12%, while protection needs were met at 28%, making these the least two funded sectors of interventions.<sup>1</sup>

**Basic needs 12% covered in Turkey**

<sup>1</sup> <https://data.unhcr.org/en/documents/details/90537>

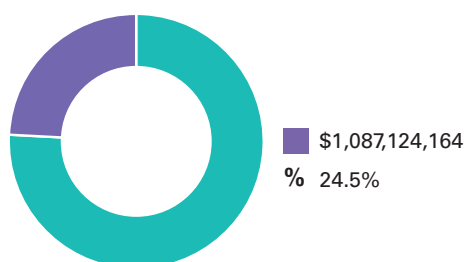
## Latest 3RP funding data and gaps - Q2

January to June 2022



## Latest HRP funding data and gaps

As of 28 August 2022



This funding gap, plus the estimated financial burden associated with Turkish Lira, Lebanese Pound and Syrian Pound depreciation, culminates in a deeper funding crisis to respond to the surging needs of Syrian children displaced internally or in neighbouring countries. Although donors stepped in to try and cover some of the most critical gaps left especially since the Ukraine crisis shifted donor priorities, significant gaps in the response remain prevalent across all sectors in 2021 and until now, and particularly in critically underfunded sectors, such as education and protection.

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## VI. CONCLUSION & KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

No Lost Generation members have been continuously and relentlessly supporting the voices of children of Syria to be heard, accounted for in every decision-making, and their rights and needs to be provided for by those who are mandated to keep them safe and protected. Yet, after 11 years of war inside Syria, millions of children know nothing but war having been born displaced from their homes. It is not the time to stop now!

When it comes to ensuring Syrian children get access to education and learning opportunities wherever they are, or to keep them safe from the trauma of war, we need so much more than funding – Syrian children need **a political commitment** that delivers change for them either in the host communities where they live or inside Syria.

The Syrian conflict is a conflict against a generation that represents its human capital, and the ripple effects it has on generations to come. As No Lost Generation, we regularly engage children, and listen to their guidance, and they told us: **they want violence to stop and they want to rebuild their lives.**

With the support of our 40 members, across the region, we continue to galvanize a community of interest, to build our joint advocacy stronger, and influence key decision-makers starting with local authorities, national actors to global advocacy platforms that amplify our messages.

To this end, No Lost Generation members joins Syrian children in this plea and calls for the international community to:



**Work together with all stakeholders to bring an end to the conflict:** The biggest loss is brought upon Syria's children. All parties to the conflict need to end the violence and come to the negotiation table to ensure a safe and peaceful environment for children to grow and thrive.



**Protect children at all costs:** All parties to the conflict must stop all grave violations against children and be held accountable by the international community for violations they commit.




**Empower communities and expand social protection schemes, to ensure that children and their families can cope with the multiple challenges they face.** Syrian children and their families have proven for 11 years their incredible resilience and they deserve to be treated and supported as survivors. They are hanging in there, but they cannot do it alone. They still need our support.



**Invest in long term, reliable and flexible funding to protect and scale up durable solutions - including early recovery and resilience-focused initiatives, for Syrian children, in Syria and in host countries:** This should include funding to remove all barriers to the education of Syria's children and integrate mental health as a key priority in programs. We call on donors and governments to remove conditions and restrictions that are harming children and leave the education, protection and mental health of Syrian children outside the realm of politics.





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Children attend a supportive learning class at a UNICEF-supported learning point in rural Aleppo, Syria.

The No Lost Generation initiative is an advocacy platform bringing together humanitarians, donors and policymakers championing the cause of children, adolescents and youth affected by the Syria crisis. Initiated in 2013 in support of the response in Syria and the top refugee hosting countries – Turkey, Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq and Egypt, we advocate to ensure that Syrian children and their host communities have access to education, protection and mental health and psychosocial support.

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