

GLOBAL REFUGEE FORUM COMMITMENTS

These commitments set out how GPE will align to and support the [multistakeholder pledge](#) on all refugee children's access to safe, quality, and relevant education opportunities, in particular through inclusion in national education systems.

Context:

The sharp increase in the number of refugees around the world makes it more urgent than ever to ensure that education is available to refugee children. GPE works with partner countries to strengthen capacities and resourcing, so that marginalized children, including refugees, have access to safe, quality, and relevant education.

GPE recognizes the scale of the challenge faced by partner countries hosting refugees, including financing and policy issues. GPE will continue to mobilize resources, partners and evidence to support partner countries in responding effectively and sustainably to this challenge.

GPE will:

1) **Mobilize more financing** for refugee inclusion through GPE grant mechanisms supporting system transformation and strengthened capacity as well as leveraging opportunities for additional and innovative financing.

GPE will support partner countries that request assistance to:

- Target GPE funding to the most marginalized, including host communities, refugees, displaced children, and those marginalized due to disability, ethnicity, race, location, gender, or gender identity.
- Make financing available for governments to undertake analysis, planning, and budgeting on including refugees in the national system.

Building on the successful experiences in East Africa of partner countries unlocking GPE Multiplier funds to support refugee inclusion, GPE will:

- Work with partner countries to identify co-financing that can unlock the Multiplier in support of host communities and refugees.
- Increase efforts to diversify the funding base for financing of refugee inclusion.

Work with other funds and partners including Education Cannot Wait, UNHCR, and other members of GPE to ensure financing is coordinated and aligned.

2) Support inclusive, evidence-based policy dialogue to **include refugees in education systems**.

Using GPE's convening role, GPE will:

- Support governments to develop cost-effective strategies to achieve inclusion of refugees in national education systems.
- Support dialogue around the volume, equity, and efficiency of domestic financing, to progressively expand education systems in refugee-hosting areas for host communities and refugee children.
- Advocate for inclusive local education groups in refugee-hosting countries, to include civil society (including refugee organizations) and members of humanitarian coordination mechanisms, to reduce fragmentation in data collection, planning, and financing.
- Where GPE is funding the improvement of EMIS, support these investments to ensure that refugee learners are visible, and their needs can be addressed through policy.
- Work effectively across the humanitarian-development nexus, to help achieve timely response and effective transitions.

3) Work with partners to **build support for refugee inclusion** and advocate for **increased financing** for education in refugee-hosting partner countries.

GPE will:

- Work with governments, bilateral donors, multilateral organizations, civil society and other partners to build support for refugee inclusion globally, regionally and nationally, hardwiring gender equality and ensuring inclusion of the most marginalized learners.
- Use GPE's public policy, influencing and communications channels to advocate for refugee education, highlight the benefits of inclusive education systems, share best practices and call for increased international and domestic financing to education.
- Support civil society advocacy for ensuring the right to education for refugee children through Education Out Loud.

4) Work with partners to **support knowledge exchange and the development of global public goods** that support inclusion at the country level.

GPE will:

- Collaborate with partners at the global level to jointly monitor the multistakeholder pledge on refugee inclusion.
- Invest in better and timely evidence to inform action, including through Knowledge and Innovation Exchange and with a particular focus on gender equality.



- Support partner countries to exchange on effective policies and practices, including experiences on financing inclusion.