

• Expert Group on Refugee & IDP Statistics

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Presentation outline

- Current state of refugee and IDP statistics
- Introduction of EGRIS
- Key achievements and recommendations (Phase I)
- Way forward and ongoing work (Phase 2)

Current status of refugee and IDP statistics

- Rapid increase in numbers of refugee and IDP in recent years
- Many challenges in producing statistics persist:
 - Legal/political: limited integration into statistical systems
 - Coordination: inconsistent terminology and limited/lack of coordination with increasing number of actors involved
 - Technical/capacity: often lacking although varied
- Forced displacement gained prominence on the international agenda, increasing pressure for better statistics

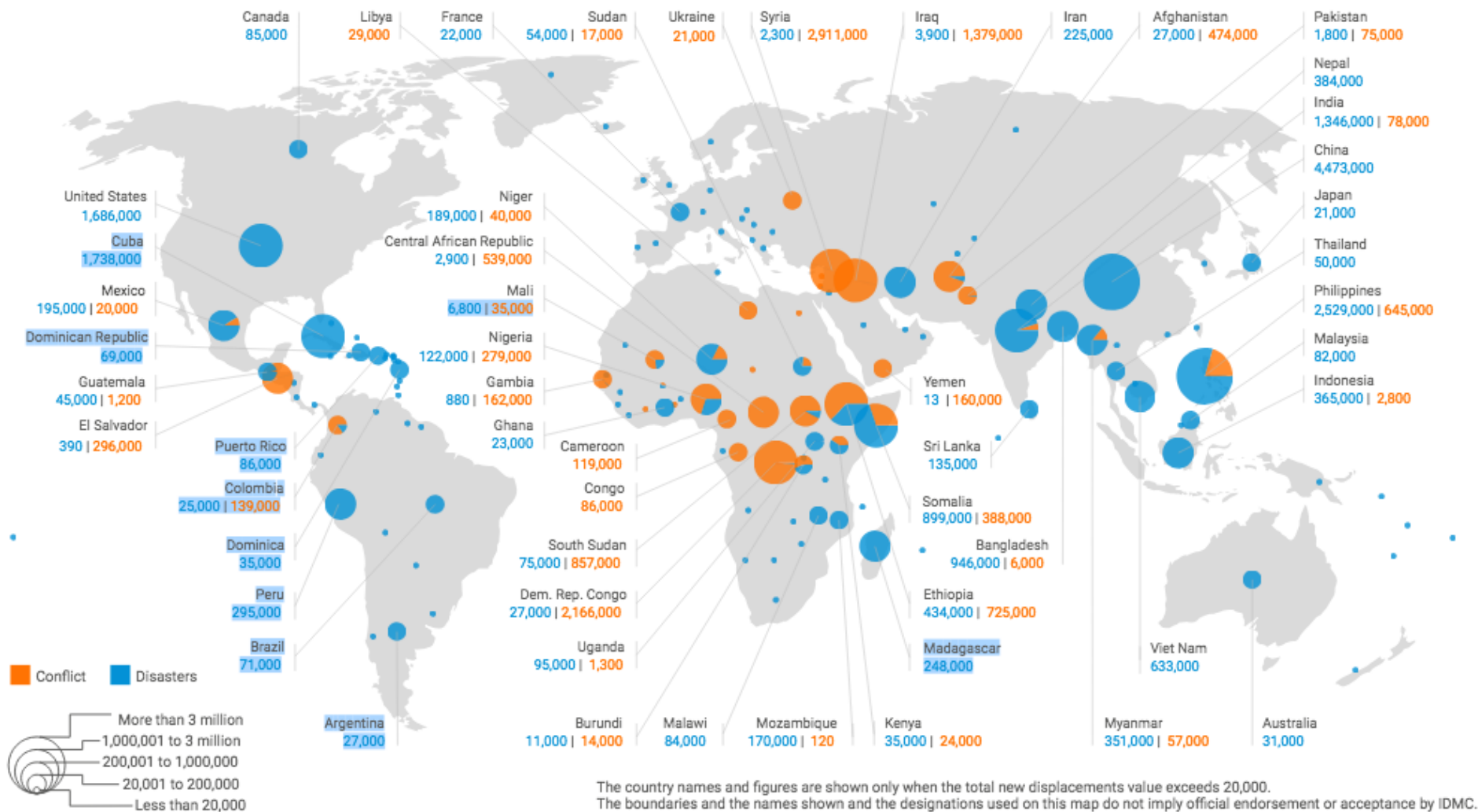
Refugee statistics

Map 1 | **Populations of concern to UNHCR by category** | end-2017

Refugees, including persons
in a refugee-like situation



IDP statistics



EGRIS introduction

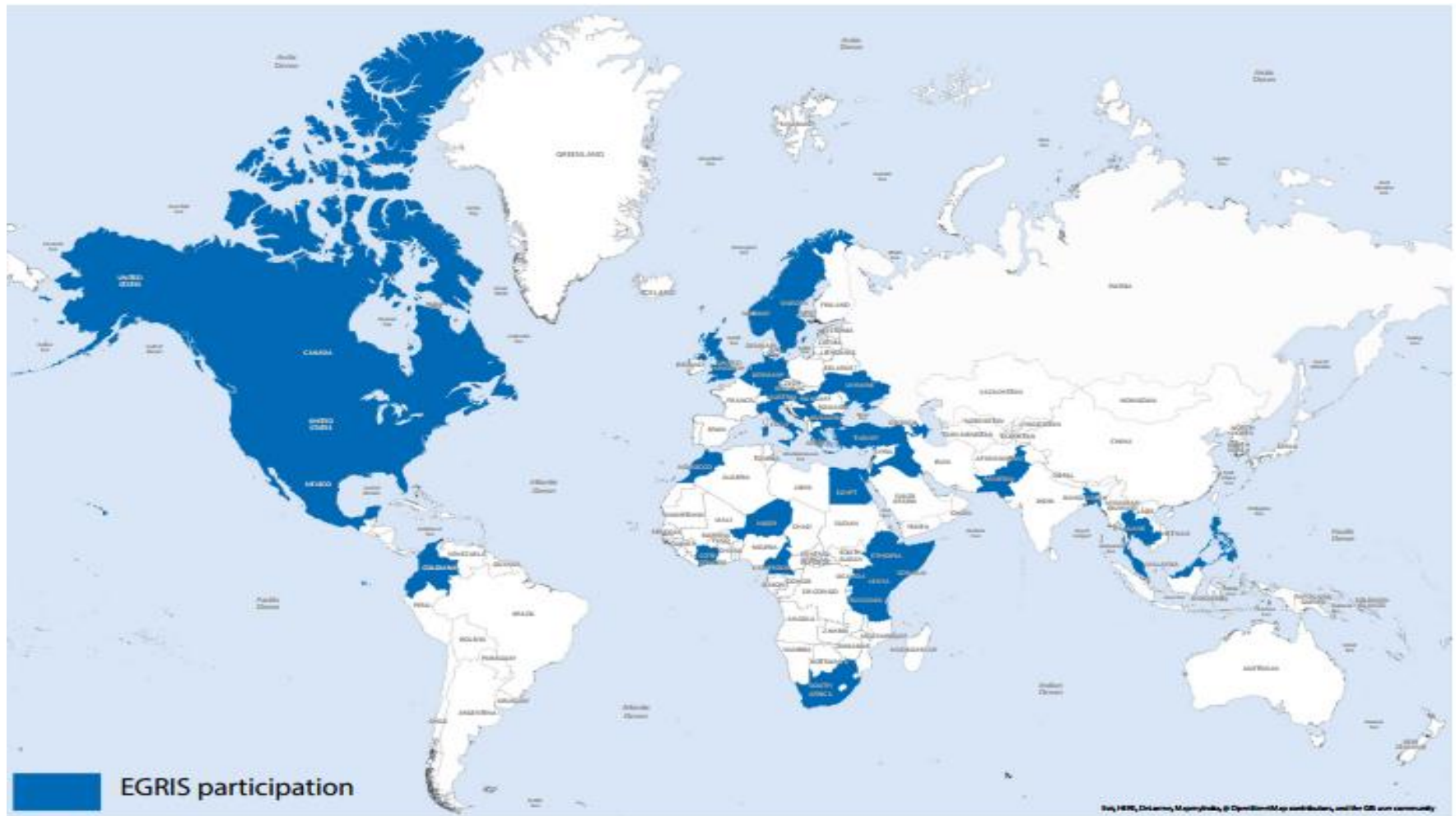
Group established by the UN Statistical Commission (March 2016) to develop:

- [International Recommendations on Refugee Statistics](#): Reference guide for national and international work concerning statistics on refugees and asylum-seekers
- [Technical Report on Statistics of IDPs](#) outlining a way forward for development of comparable international standards for statistics on IDPs

Huge potential for better statistics for improved policy and practice, visibility of vulnerable groups in development planning and SDGs, enhanced international comparison of data

EGRIS country members

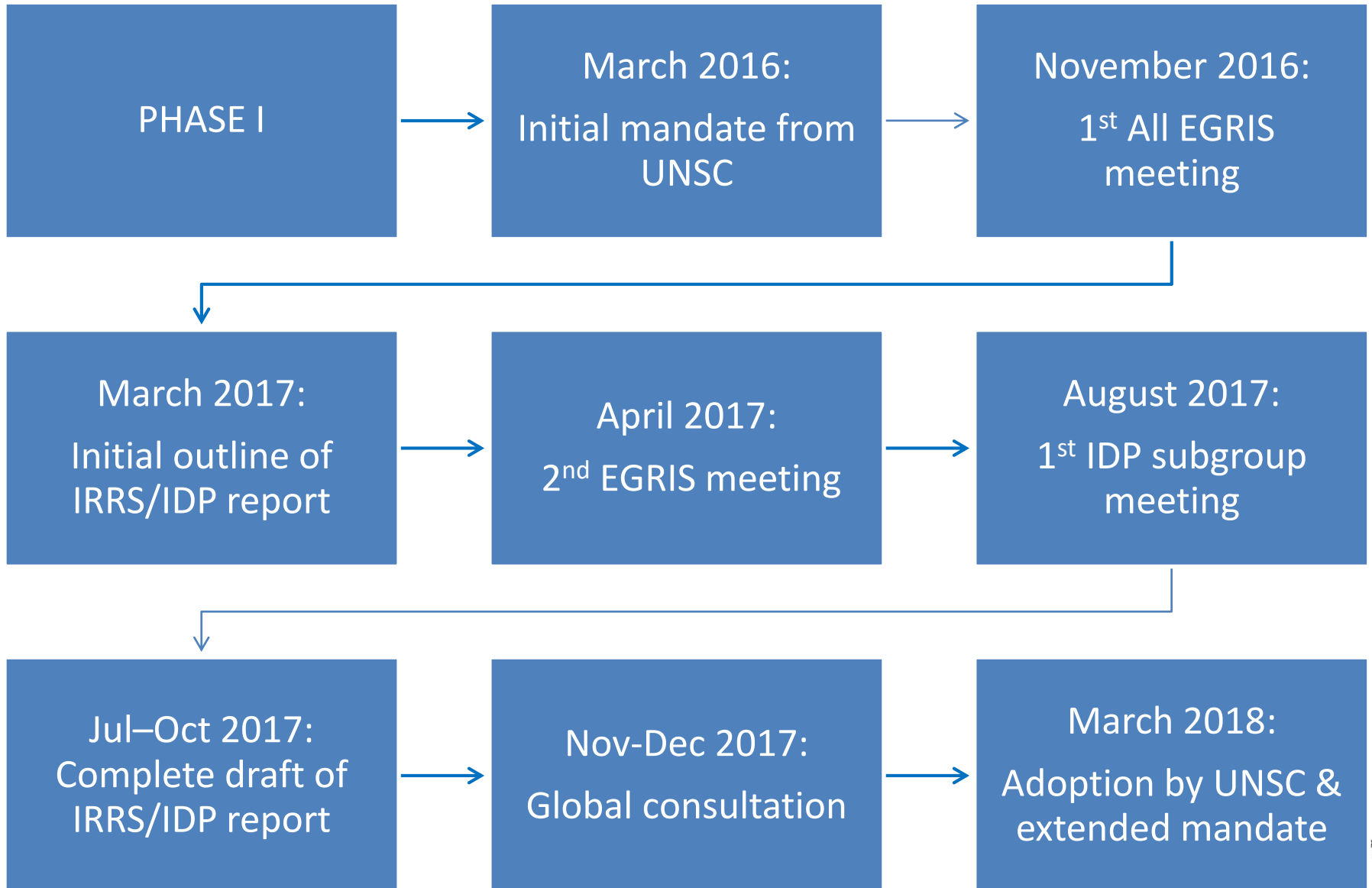
Country-led and experience-informed process to develop solid report with realistic and tangible recommendations



International and regional organisations

- European Commission (DG Home and DG Employment)
- EASO
- EFTA Statistical Office
- ESCWA
- Eurostat
- IDMC
- IOM
- JIPS
- OECD
- UNFPA
- UNHCR
- UNICEF
- UNRWA
- UN Special Rapporteur on human rights of IDPs
- UNSD
- WB
- WFP

EGRIS timeline (Phase I)



EGRIS achievements (Phase 1)

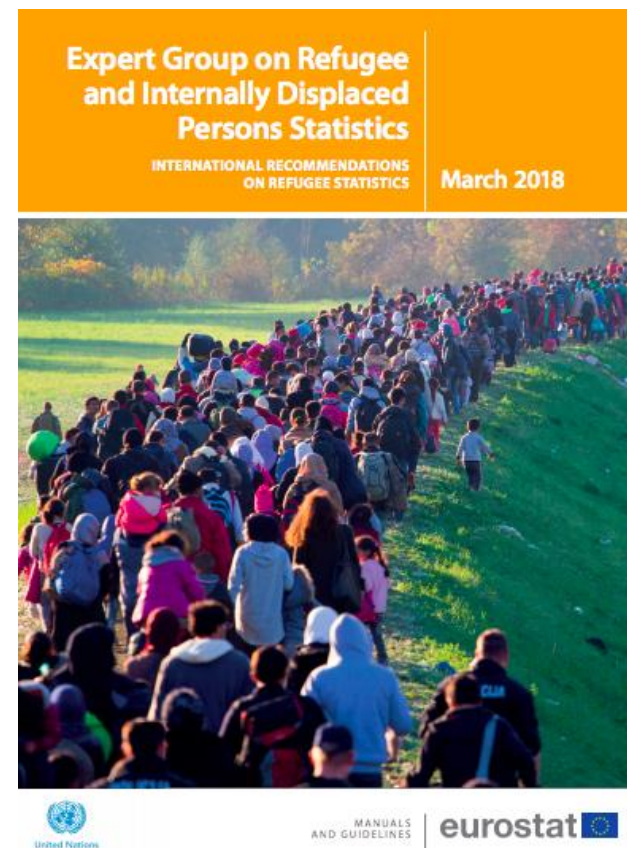
UNSC adoption of International Recommendations on Refugee Statistics and Technical Report on Statistics of Internally Displaced Persons (March 2018)



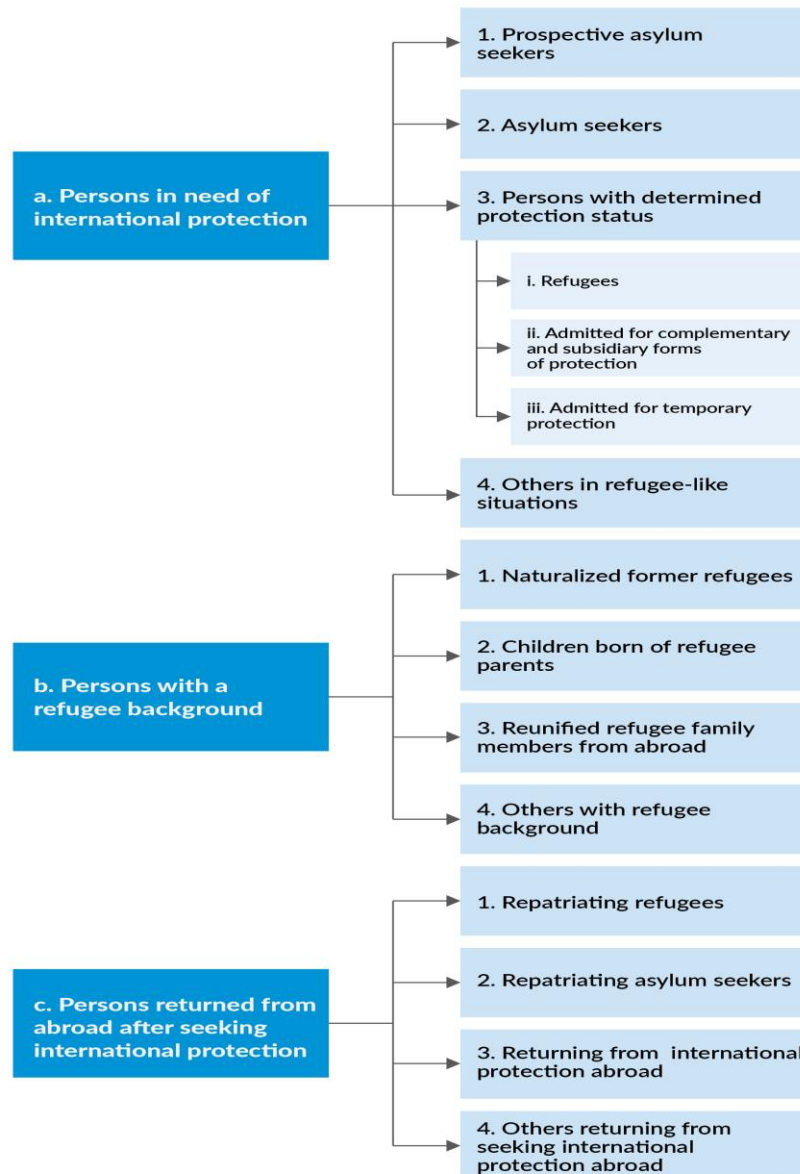
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EGRIS achievements: refugees 1

1. Creation of a **statistical framework** standardising relevant **terminology** and classifications
2. List of basic **data tabulations** and **indicators**
3. Assessment of **data sources** and **methods** and recommendations for their improvement
4. Identification of **socioeconomic indicators** for refugee integration
5. Recommendations to improve coordination (national, regional, international) and data quality, legal frameworks and capacity building



EGRIS achievements: refugees 2



IRRS -
statistical
framework

EGRIS achievements: refugees 3

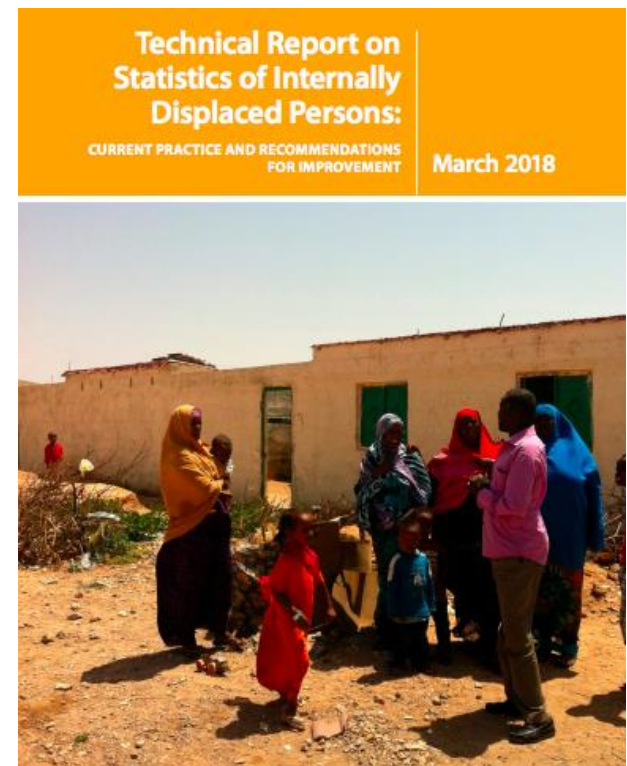
Socio-economic indicators for refugee integration

Dimensions of topics of indicators of the satisfaction of the immediate and ongoing needs and integration:

1. Legal indicators
2. Civil-political indicators
3. Demographic and migration indicators
4. Education indicators
5. Economic indicators
6. Social inclusion indicators
7. Health indicators

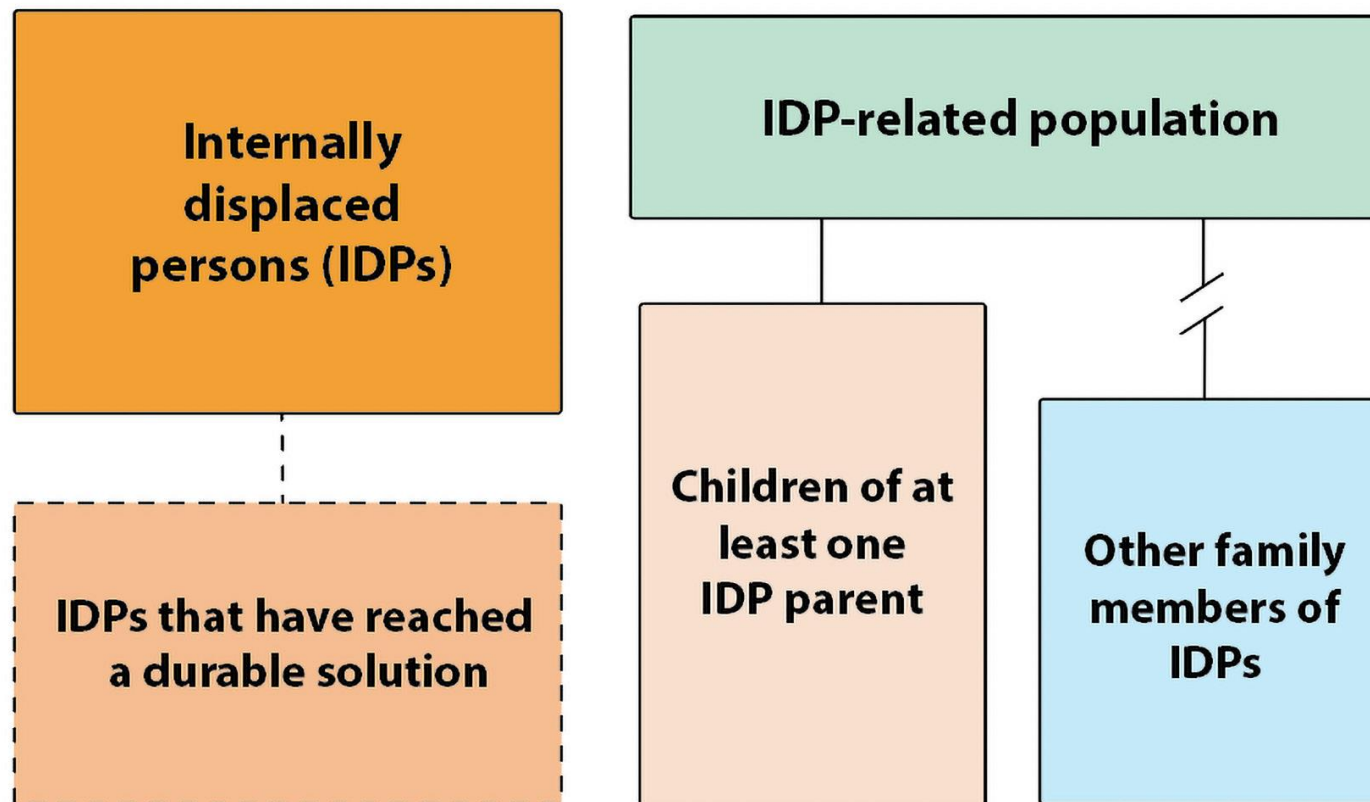
EGRIS achievements: IDPs 1

1. Legal framework analysis based on Guiding Principles to inform **statistical framework** development
2. Assessment of **data sources, methods** and common challenges in producing numbers and characteristics of IDPs
3. Case studies from participating countries
4. Analysis of coordination systems to inform recommendations
5. Growing momentum and participation in group clearly outlining way forward for recommendations and securing mandate for phase II



EGRIS achievements: IDPs 2

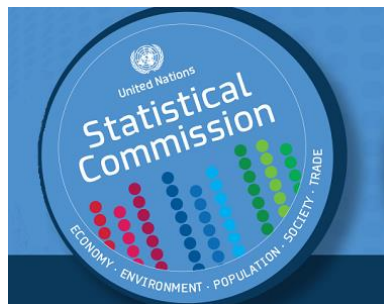
Figure 7.2 Statistical categories to be included in official IDP statistics



EGRIS moving into Phase II

Extended mandate from the UN Statistical Commission (March 2018) to work during 2018-2020 to develop:

- International Recommendations on IDP Statistics: Reference guide for national and international work concerning statistics on internally displaced persons
- Develop manual and associated tools for compilation of refugee and IDP statistics (tools to be continuously improved)
- Promotion and dissemination of the Groups' work



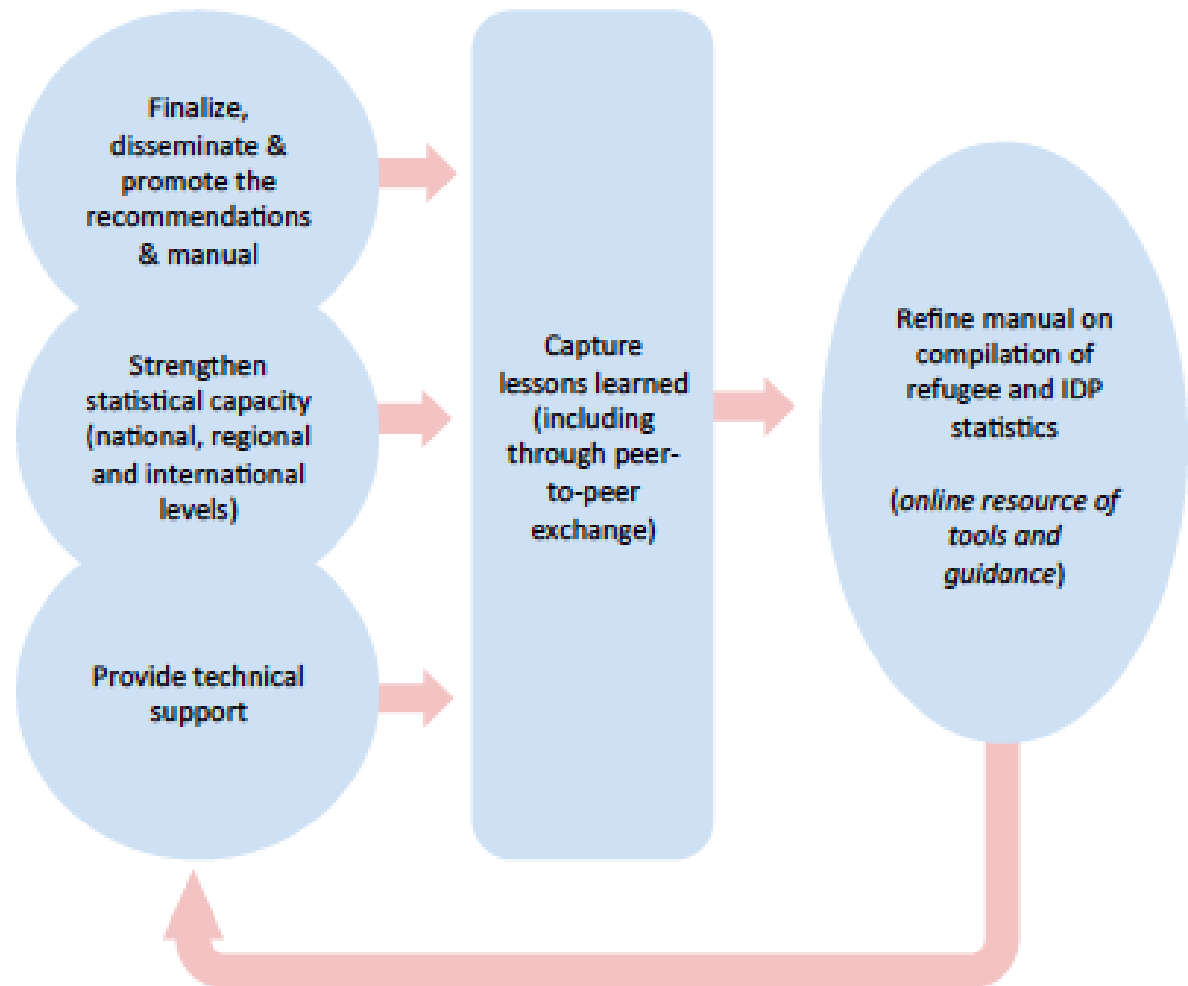
EGRIS timeline



EGRIS moving beyond Phase II

Aim to complement Phase II (and continue in Phase III) through:

- Promoting & disseminating IRRS, IRIS & Compiler's Manual
- Capacity strengthening
- Continuous learning & update manual



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