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#### NOTE

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| From:    | General Secretariat of the Council              |
| To:      | Delegations                                     |
| Subject: | Neglected Crises Platform - presentation by NRC |

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Following the meeting of the Working Party on Humanitarian Aid and Food Aid (COHAFA) of 6-7 September 2023, delegations will find in Annex the presentation made by NRC<sup>(1)(2)</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> Norwegian Refugee Council Europe, identification number in the EU Transparency Register: 750447615329-96.

<sup>2</sup> This document contains a presentation by an external stakeholder and the views expressed therein are solely those of the third party it originates from. This document cannot be regarded as stating an official position of the Council. It does not reflect the views of the Council or of its members.

A photograph of a woman with a red headscarf holding a young child in her arms. They are in a refugee camp, with a tent visible in the background. The woman is looking off to the side with a somber expression. The child is looking towards the camera. The image is part of a video player, with a white box containing the title 'OUT OF SIGHT OUT OF MIND' overlaid on the right side.

# OUT OF SIGHT OUT OF MIND



3 out of 4 people will not  
receive the basic humanitarian  
assistance by 2027

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2500 children are  
accommodated in a school  
built for 500 children  
(Ituri, DRC)

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18 million people in  
Myanmar in need of  
assistance

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1.2 to 2 million people cut off  
from humanitarian assistance  
in the Borno state of Nigeria

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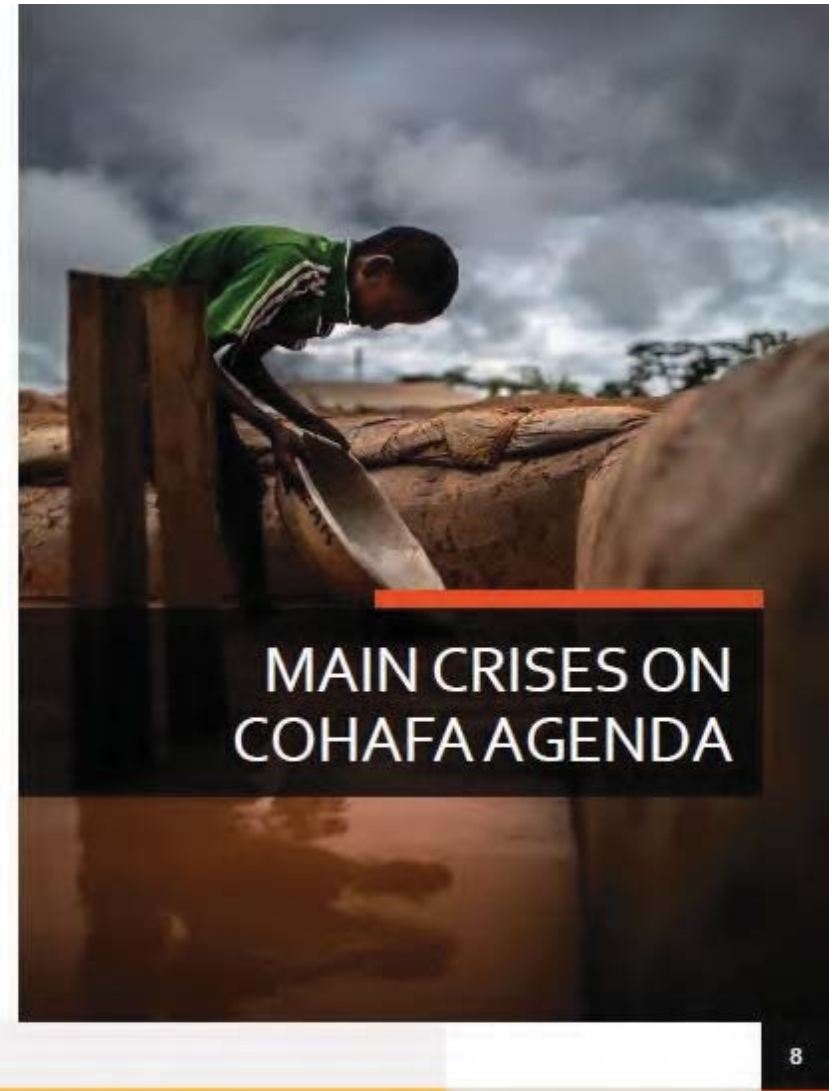
# Break the cycle of neglect

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Yemen (6)  
Afghanistan (6)  
Syria (5)  
Sudan (4)  
Ukraine (3)

**24/49 agenda items**  
**98,6 million people in need**



## NOT ON FORMAL AGENDA



|             |           |
|-------------|-----------|
| DRC         | Guatemala |
| South Sudan | Cameroon  |
| Mali        | Niger     |
| Nigeria     | Honduras  |
| Colombia    | CAR       |
| Chad        | Burundi   |

**0/49 agenda items  
= 90,3 million people in  
need**

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# The Neglected Crises Platform (NCP)

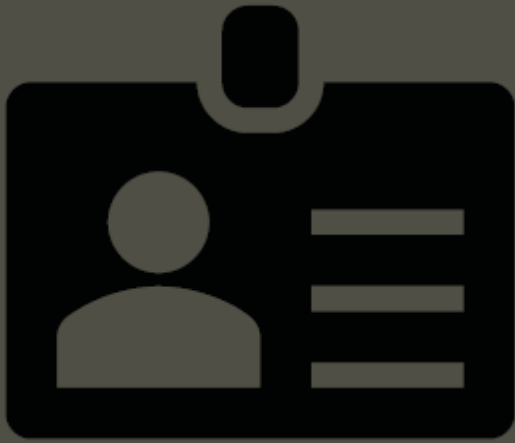
... **a safe space** to boost discussions and facilitate information exchange on neglected crises at the heart of the Council

... **break silo's** to discuss recurring challenges in neglected crises

... **bring humanitarian issues back to the agenda** to tackle the drivers of the crises

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# Participation

- COHAFA delegates
- Delegates to regional/thematic working groups
- ECHO, INTPA, EEAS, NEAR

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# Format

Hybrid meetings (Brussels/remote)

Background materials (online portal)

**Facilitation by NCP  
Secretariat**

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## Expected outcomes

- Increased understanding of humanitarian challenges in NC
- Shared humanitarian concerns beyond COHAFA
- Strategies to expand the donor base
- Trigger mechanism
- High level events for neglected crises

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## Focus

Specific neglected crises

Recurring challenges, case studies

# Consultations

Key Partners

ECHO representatives

Presidencies

Council Delegates

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“Bringing the conversation  
back to the EU”

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“It should be seen as a  
manifestation of the willingness  
to also act upon these crises,  
especially amidst the war in  
Ukraine.”

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“A efficient way to feed the  
agenda of formal working  
groups”

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“You would be surprised to  
see how many delegates are  
hungry for information.”

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“Giving a voice to  
local actors”

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“A **safe** and **informal**  
space to open-up  
discussions”

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“Plug in/plug out sort of mechanism”

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“An opportunity to talk about  
**solutions** and not only  
alternatives/problems.”

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Thank you!

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