Focus Group Discussion - Question Guide

Date:	Name of facilitator:	
Location:	Name of note taker:	
Time:	How were participants identified:	
Focus group composition		
Target group:	☐ Serbian IDPs PA	☐ Albanian IDPs PA
	☐ Serbian IDPs CC	□ RAE IDPs PA
Location:		
Age group:	☐ Post-war generation (18-30 years)	□ Pre-war generation (30 +)
Group composition by sex:	Number of women:	Number of men:
Total number of participants:		

Introduction:

✓ Introduce your team and the aim of the FGD:

"We are a team from the Danish Refugee Council (explain briefly what DRC is). We work on a research project with the aim to understand the living conditions of displaced persons in Kosovo. Therefore, we would like to discuss with you some topics and learn from your opinions and experiences. We are not going to ask questions about your individual households but will ask about your community and IDPs in general.

This research is not related to any humanitarian or government program, and therefore not linked to any assistance. We cannot give you anything for participating in this discussion, except our appreciation. You are under no obligation to participate, and you are free not to answer any of the posed questions.

The information you give us will be kept anonymously. We will not write your name and your name will never appear in our research. The information we collect will help us to better understand the situation of people in displaced persons and include this in our report. The report will be used by different organizations working in Kosovo.

The discussion should take approximately 1,5 hours. Do you have any questions?

- ✓ **Introduce yourself**, as the facilitator, and the note taker clarify what your roles are.
- ✓ Set the ground rules for the discussion:

"We are interested in opinions and experiences of everyone present, so do give time and space to each other to contribute", "do avoid parallel discussions, as that will make it very difficult for the note taker to capture the discussion", 'we are interested in all different views, even if they don't represent everyone in the community"

✓ Ask for permission to take notes

✓ **Take an introductory round:** where all participants say few things about themselves (e.g. occupation). The note-taker takes the chance to note down gender, approx. age, and possibly occupation of each participant. Give each participant a number/code to be able to refer to which participant says what during the discussion. (This will not always be possible, and some discussions will have to be referred to as a group discussion/consensus)

Questions

Topic 1	Questions:	
Daily life in the neighbourhood- cohesion	•	 Many years have passed since the displacements took place in Kosovo. Some IDP families moved several times before coming here, while others fewer times. Do you think that your neighbors who were not displaced have similar or different living conditions compared to you? Explain How do you find the relations between your families and your neighbors, who are not displaced? Explain/elaborate on positive and negative examples
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Topic 2	Questions:
	 All groups: What are your thoughts around your future location of residence? If you think about the options of staying here, returning back to where you were displaced from, or moving somewhere else, what is preferable and feasible for the displaced families of your community (Serbian, Albanian or RAE)?
Migration intentions	 All groups: If families have left property or land in their location of origin, what role does this play in the decision around staying here or returning?
	• For FGDs with Serbian IDPs: We just completed a household survey among displaced persons in Kosovo, this showed that a great proportion of Serbian IDPs would prefer to continue living in their current place. Why do you think that is the case/ how do you explain this??
	 For FGDs with Albanian IDPs: We just completed a household survey among displaced persons in Kosovo, this showed that a significant proportion of Albanian IDPs would prefer to move to their location of origin. Why do you think that is the case/ how do you explain this?? How do you think this preference is linked to left behind property?
	• For FGDs with RAE IDPs: We just completed a household survey among displaced persons in Kosovo, this showed that a significant proportion of RAE IDPs would prefer to stay living in the location they are in now. Why do you think that is the case/ how do you explain this?
	 All groups: In your experience are there often differences within families/across generations when it comes to their thoughts around permanent location for living?