

Laidlaw Scholars Programme
Leadership-in-Action Review

Week 8

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Progress and achievements:

Delivered a presentation of my findings on this topic based on my preliminary draft at a Sector Meeting upon invitation of the Sector Coordinator at the IOM (International Organization of Migration) Lebanon Country Office in Beirut. Revised my first draft and finalized the report.

Difficulties and challenges:

A major difficulty concerning the presentation is that it was conducted online at very short notice. It was a challenge to gauge people's interest through zoom. For the final report, the major challenge is to ensure that the paper is an effective and accurate representation of my findings on this topic.

Room for Improvement:

The presentation may have been more engaging if I had paid more attention to gauge the audience's reactions. It is a reminder that presentations are a form of communication – a skill in itself.

Self-Reflection:

In the process of delivering the presentation and finalizing the report – both are in effect ways to communicate my findings and recommendations to the public and to other actors in the sector – I realized that effective expression of idea is crucial. I hope to focus more on this in the future.

Leadership:

A successful leader is one who can connect people across different organizations or parties, and who can win respect and support through their work. To do so, effective and good communication is crucial. Only then, can ideas spread to the audience and beyond.
