

INTER-AGENCY STANDING COMMITTEE  
PRINCIPALS MEETING

**Final Agenda**

**11 December 2015**  
**Host: ICVA**

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**THURSDAY, 10 DECEMBER 2015**

**20.00-22.00** Dinner and keynote speech by Mr. António Guterres, UNHCR

**FRIDAY, 11 DECEMBER 2015**

**08.30-09.00** **Arrival with Coffee/Tea**

**09.00-09.15** Welcoming Remarks: Dr. Ahmad Faizal Perdaus, ICVA  
Opening Remarks: Mr. Stephen O'Brien, Emergency Relief Coordinator

**09.15-11.00** **Session 1: Response to humanitarian needs in protracted crises**

**Part 1: Protection, access and resources: the cases of Yemen and Syria (60 minutes)**

**Presenter:** Mr. Stephen O'Brien, Emergency Relief Coordinator

***Objective:***

- *Commit to specific actions by Principals to support and strengthen the humanitarian responses in Syria and Yemen in early 2016.*

***Background Papers***

*Proposals for collective action on Yemen and Syria in 2016, by EDGs*  
*Summary of recommendations from Operational Peer Review in Syria*

**Part 2: Current migration and refugee crisis (45 minutes)**

**Presenters:** Mr. António Guterres, UNHCR and Mr. William Lacy Swing, IOM

***Objectives:***

- *Provide an overview of the current state of affairs regarding asylum, relocation and humanitarian response.*
- *Where possible explore new ideas to protect and assist migrants and refugees while they are fleeing insecurity, and help them to find long-term solutions, while supporting host countries and communities.*
- *Highlight opportunities for the World Humanitarian Summit.*

***No background Paper***

**11.00-11.15 Coffee/Tea**

**11.15-12.00 Part 3: L3 mechanism, protracted crisis and staying the course (45 minutes)**

**Presenter:** Mr. Anthony Lake, UNICEF

***Objective:***

- *Discuss proposals and a way forward to make the L3 mechanism fit for purpose to scale up system-wide response across multiple protracted crises, including benchmarking and engagement with partners.*

***Background Papers***

*The role of the L3 mechanism in ensuring fit-for-purpose humanitarian responses to protracted humanitarian crises, by EDG.*

*IASC Principals ad hoc final summary record of 26/08/2015 by IASC Secretariat*

**12.00-13.00 Session 2: Resource mobilization and humanitarian financing**

**Recommendations of the High Level Panel on Humanitarian Financing**

**Presenter:** Ms. Kristalina Georgieva, Co-chair, High Level Panel on Humanitarian Financing

***Objective:***

- *Review the recommendations put forward by the High Level Panel on Humanitarian Financing and agree on how IASC Members can support them.*

***Background Paper***

*Report of the High Level Panel on Humanitarian Financing.*

**13.00-14.00 Lunch break**

**14.00-15.00 Session 3: World Humanitarian Summit**

**Introduction: Seizing an opportunity: An agenda for humanity**

**Presenter:** Mr. Stephen O'Brien, Emergency Relief Coordinator

***Objectives:***

- *Discuss the emerging vision of the Secretary-General, an agenda for humanity and transformative initiatives.*
- *Agree on how to jointly advocate for the Secretary-General vision.*

***Background Paper***

*Roadmap to Istanbul*

*Overview of the Secretary-General report and agenda for humanity*

*List of recommendations emanating from the consultation process, with a focus on "transformative initiatives".*

*Donors letter on WHS*

**15.00-15.15** *Tea/Coffee break*

**15.15-15.45** **Session 4: Strategic Coordination of Cash Transfer Programming**

**Presenter:** Mr. Colin Bruce, World Bank

***Objective:***

- *Start the conversation at Principals level on coordination of cash programming and provide future direction to the work of the Global Cash Working Group.*

***Background Paper:***

*“Doing Cash differently: How Cash Transfers Can Transform Humanitarian Aid”, Report of the High Level Panel on Humanitarian Cash.*

**16.00-16.30** **Session 5: IASC Priorities in 2016-2017**

**Presenters:**

Ms. Kyung-wha Kang, DERC and Chair of the Working Group

Mr. Bill Swing, Director General of IOM and PSEA champion

***Objectives:***

- *Approve the general work programme of the IASC based on the WG and the EDG workplans for 2016.*
- *Agree on three priority areas that would benefit from an IASC Principals focus in the next year.*
- *Agree on next steps in the area of protection from sexual abuse and exploitation by humanitarian workers.*

***Background Papers***

*WG and EDG draft work plans*

**16.30-17.00** **Session 6: AOB and Chair’s closing remarks**