**Minutes of the IASC AAP PSEA Task Team Meeting, 2/09/2015**

1. **Challenges the task team is facing to complete its workplan**

Participants to the task team recognized the importance of the challenges mentioned in the supporting document, linked to sustained participation, fragmentation of accountability and community engagement approaches, as well as the need to clarify between collective and individual achievements.

Other challenges mentioned were:

* The Task team has to focus on areas on which we can have the highest added value. The task team objective is large and we need to define indicators to measure to what extend we are reaching our objectives at collective level.
* The Task team should map who is benefiting from the Task Team work, at global, regional and field level, and consistently check the relevance of the Task Team work with the various groups such as Humanitarian Country Teams, governments, individual agencies, global forums and communities.
* Commitments at global level on both accountability and PSEA are not always getting to the ground. We need to ensure that policies and initiatives are declined in concrete tools, training, practical support for partners
* World Humanitarian Summit: The Task Team need to have access to the report: while AAP is apparently a central theme, recommendations on AAP would need to be developed further, including an additional reflection on the mechanism to translate the recommendations into actions.

1. **Additional reasons for the task team to continue after 2015 :**

In addition to the points highlighted in the slide, participants mentioned:

* The Task Team workplan encompasses areas of work which are essential for the implementation of the Whole of System review recommendations related to Accountability.
* Putting an end to the task team would send out the wrong message regarding Accountability and PSEA, while they are repeatedly coming up as central concerns.
* The Task Team works well as a platform for sharing information, guidance and good practice.

1. **Key areas of work for 2016**

Here are a few points which came up during the brainstorming

* Continue the collaboration with the STAIT and strengthen the role of the Task Team to support Humanitarian Country Teams after Operational Peer Reviews
* Consider specific support to crisis, in the initial emergency phase and beyond
* Ensure more buy- in and ownership of the accountability agenda in the emergency preparedness phase
* Engage in the development of the IASC protection policy.
* Reflect on how best to induce the necessary behavioural change linked with implementing accountability. Sending out additional policies or guidance is not enough.
* Analyse the requests coming in from the helpdesk to understand where support is most needed

1. **Structure of the Task Team in 2016**

We need to reflect on our structure as a subsidiary body of the IASC, while also brainstorming on the best internal structure to achieve our collective objectives. Some members have continuously demonstrated their commitment to take the task team workplan forward, while others have been acting mostly as observers. The best structure will of course depend on the areas of work and the focus of the task team for 2016.

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