***Reference Group on Risk, Early Warning and Preparedness***

**Work Plan**

**January 2016-December 2017**

***Date circulated: [Insert date]***

*NB: This Work Plan should be read in conjunction with the 2016-2017 IASC Working Group priorities and the Task Team’s Terms of Reference.*

*\* Please highlight any activities that have potential crossover with other IASC priorities, Task Teams (TTs), or Reference Groups (RGs), indicating the particular priority/TT/RG.*

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| **Output 1: Common risk-informed understanding of current and potential operational contexts promoted** | | |
| **Activities** | **Focal Points (lead and supporting organizations)** | **Timeframe** |
| 1. Conduct risk analysis and produce IASC global level early warning – early action products. | WFP +UNICEF/FAO/UNDP | Twice a year |
| 1. Develop effective linkages with non-humanitarian risk analysis entities, including entities highlighted in WHS as well as EOSG. | Co-Chairs, WFP +UNICEF/FAO/UNDP |  |
| 1. Conduct pilots of INFORM regional/sub-national models, tailored to local context and supported by the global INFORM initiative | UNOCHA/UNDP + INFORM partners | 5 countries by mid-2018 |
| **Output 2. Better preparedness to respond developed** | | |
| **Activities** | **Focal Points (lead and supporting organizations)** | **Timeframe** |
| 1. Promote, support and monitor the ongoing implementation of the IASC Emergency Response Preparedness (ERP) approach. | UNOCHA with WFP, WHO, UNICEF and UNHCR | End 2017 |
| 1. Adjust the IASC ERP, including adaptation to protracted crises as well as ensuring continuing interoperability with approaches used for refugee situations , the International Health Regulations and UNISDR-managed efforts to develop early warning and preparedness norms. | UNOCHA with WFP, WHO, UNICEF and UNHCR | End 2017 |
| 1. Develop interagency guidance on preparedness action related to cash-based transfers | WFP with ? |  |
| 1. Promote, support and monitor the ongoing implementation of the IASC Common Framework on Preparedness. | WFP and UNICEF with UNDP, OCHA, FAO, WHO, GFDRR, IFRC, and other NGOs (TBD) | End 2017 |
| 1. Promote and monitor the implementation of the Global Preparedness Partnership, which uses approach contained in the CFP | FAO, WFP, UNOCHA, UNDP | Concept Note launched at WHS in May 2016  Proposal to be developed in 3rd Quarter 2016 |
| 1. Develop the ALERT early warning and preparedness support tool | HelpAge International | End 2017 with design workshop Oct 2016 |
| **Output #: Advocacy and advice on the importance of consideration of risk, early warning, and preparedness, including through inclusion in discussions and outcomes of relevant global processes and support to the design and implementation of platforms that link risk with readiness and financing.** | | |
| **Activities** | **Focal Points (lead and supporting organizations)** | **Timeframe** |
| 1. Promote and support innovative solutions to financing risk analysis, early warning and preparedness |  |  |
| 1. Provide inputs as required to other IASC bodies | Co-Chairs | Continuous, as required |
| 1. Act as a Community of Practice in relation to Risk, Early Warning and Preparedness | Co-Chairs + all agencies | Continuous |
| 1. Develop linkages and, where appropriate, synergies with a number of related actors and initiatives | GRP  A2R: FAO  CREWS: GFDRR  IN-MHEWS  CADRI: UNDP/FAO  UNDAC: UNOCHA  INSARAG  TT on Hum/Dev Nexus  UN Plan of Action on DRR  El-Nino/El-Nina groups | Continuous |
| 1. Engage in global processes to advocate and advise on appropriate inclusion of coherent national and international preparedness and resilience in both inputs to and outputs from these events. | Co-chairs:  WCDRR: OCHA, WFP  SDG: UNDP  UNFCCC: UNDP and IFRC  WHS follow-up: OCHA and UNDP | As required |