

**Grand Bargain Facilitation Group meeting (*teleconference*)
May 30, 2017**

Follow up to the GB co-convenors meeting and preparations for June 20 meeting:

SCHR thanked DG ECHO for offering to assume the Chair of the GB Facilitation Group ahead of the June 20 annual meeting, informing participants that DG ECHO would also be co-chairing the teleconference.

SCHR continued by referencing the follow up action points from the GB work-stream co-convenors meeting, which were shared with the Facilitation Group ahead of the teleconference.

The action points were bracketed under two main objectives:

- 1) To facilitate consistent information flow and interaction across Grand Bargain work-streams:

This action point included tasking the GB Secretariat with maintaining an updated work-stream co-convenors contact list. In addition, the co-convenors are expected to proactively share relevant information with their work-stream counterparts, utilizing an adapted ‘cheat-sheet’ format as a standardized tool for information exchange.

- 2) To make preparations for the annual Grand Bargain meeting:

This follow up action point included the Facilitation Group requesting each work-stream – in the ‘quid pro quo’ spirit of the Grand Bargain - to prioritize three ‘bargains’ or ‘asks’. These inputs would then be processed into a coherent framework for discussion with the co-convenors in a teleconference in mid-June.

The Facilitation Group agreed that in order to generate the content from the co-convenors to feed into the annual meeting, IFRC and Switzerland, with input from SCHR, will craft three key questions to which the co-convenors are expected to respond. These are: 1) detail what issues they would like to see prioritized for action over the coming year; 2) outline what success of the 20 June meeting would look like to them; 3) inform on other process/es that their respective work-stream needs to engage with in order to meet its Grand Bargain commitments.

The structure of the annual meeting was also discussed. There will be three key sessions: 1) independent annual report and progress in the first year; 2) the priorities for the year ahead; 3) links with other processes, next Facilitation Group, Eminent Person. IFRC and Switzerland will– as co-hosts and organizers

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of the annual meeting – finalize the agenda along these lines and reach out to moderators for the sessions.

DG ECHO also confirmed that it will develop ‘storylines’ that highlight what the Grand Bargain has achieved so far, what can still be realized in the relative short term, and what longer term Grand Bargain success will consist of.

Action points:

Task	Lead	Deadline
IFRC and Switzerland to draft a message to co-convenors asking for their input in preparation for the 20 June meeting. This will be processed and finalized following a teleconference with co-convenors mid-June.	Switzerland & IFRC	ASAP
DG ECHO to develop ‘storylines’ that show-case the achievements of the GB to date.	DG ECHO	ASAP

Feedback on the draft summary note of the co-convenors meeting:

WFP stated that the draft summary report of the co-convenors meeting includes some commitment language that has not been agreed to by donors and agencies. At SCHR’s suggestion, WFP will revise the commitment language in the summary report, sharing an up-dated version of the report with SCHR, prior to its circulation to co-convenors.

Action points:

Task	Lead	Deadline
WFP to revise the commitment language in the co-convenors draft summary report.	WFP	ASAP
Summary report to be circulated to co-convenors.	SCHR	ASAP

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GPPI report review and dissemination

DG ECHO has consolidated the comments shared by Grand Bargain signatories on the various drafts of the annual report, and forwarded these to the GPPI consultants. DG ECHO informed that due to the large volume of comments received from the Grand Bargain signatories, and also to the submission of a number of self-reports after the reporting deadline, the independent annual report will be available slightly later than scheduled, on 08 June, together with a matrix of how comments have been addressed. An info-graphic of the annual report will be submitted to DG ECHO and UN Women for comments by 05 June.

It was also agreed that DG ECHO will share the annual report with all signatories following a discussion within the Facilitation Group to determine whether some of the independent recommendations may require a formal reaction. It was noted that signatory feedback could be shared during the scheduled session on the report at the annual meeting.

Action points:

Task	Lead	Deadline
DG ECHO to share independent annual report with Facilitation Group on 08 June.	DG ECHO	08 June 2017
Facilitation Group members to discuss the report recommendations, and if deemed necessary determine how to message its dissemination to signatories.	DG ECHO	10 June 2017

Grand Bargain Eminent Person

The Facilitation Group agreed that it may be a challenge to secure one individual to undertake the Eminent Person role and fulfill all the expectations of the role. It was suggested that perhaps several individuals – possibly referred to as Grand Bargain ‘champions or advocates’ – could be involved in advocating in public and private circles for the Grand Bargain initiative. WFP suggested that the issue of funding both the Grand Bargain Eminent Person and the Grand Bargain Secretariat roles should be weaved into the agenda at the up-coming annual meeting.

Action points:

Task	Lead	Deadline
Continue proactive outreach to secure the services of an Eminent Person, or GB	OCHA	June 13 2017

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‘champions / advocates,’ reporting back to the Facilitation Group ideally before, or at the next teleconference.

OCHA to inform GB signatories that a possible GB ‘advocate’ has been identified, and to solicit comments on the nominee in order to finalize this exercise before the annual meeting.

OCHA

ASAP

Next Facilitation Group membership ~ process and timeframe:

The membership and configuration of the current Grand Bargain Facilitation is up for renewal in October 2017.

The Grand Bargain signatories will be approached to ascertain their interest in becoming Facilitation Group members. SCHR underscored the necessity of maintaining a light Facilitation Group structure, and of remaining cognizant that the group does not become too large, and potentially less effective. WFP said that clarification should be given that membership of the Facilitation Group is not contingent to an organization’s ability to put forward resources and funding. OCHA expressed its interest in remaining part of the Facilitation Group. Each constituency is to discuss interest in becoming members amongst themselves before reverting to Facilitation Group. The final nomination will be made by each signatory constituency.

Action points:

Task	Lead	Deadline
Grand Bargain signatories to be contacted to establish their interest in becoming Facilitation Group members. Separate from Facilitation Group membership, signatories to be contacted on possible resourcing of Secretariat, annual report and Eminent Person.	DG ECHO	ASAP

The next Facilitation Group teleconference, has been penciled for Tuesday 13 June, with DG ECHO acting as Chair. The Grand Bargain Secretariat will open a Doodle poll to discern the availability of Facilitation Group Members.

Teleconference participants: (30/05/17): Kate Halff (SCHR and co-Chair), Henrike Trautmann (DG ECHO and co-Chair), Jefferson Yen (DG ECHO), Daniel Clauss (DG ECHO), Antoine Gerard (UN OCHA), Olivier Bangerter (SDC), Nathalie-Antoinette Goetschi (SDC), Gordana Jerger (WFP), Jordan Ramacciato (WFP), Ajay Madiwale (IFRC), Kirsten Hagon (IFRC), Daniel Seymour (UN Women), Hiba Qasas (UN Women), Paulette Jones (GB Secretariat).