



## GRAND BARGAIN FACILITATION GROUP TELE-CONFERENCE

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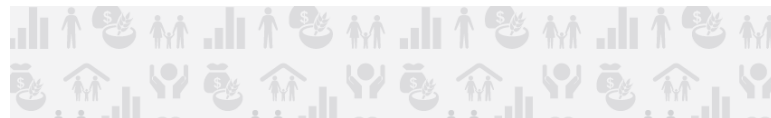
### Participants

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ICRC	Elena Garagorri Atristain
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Agenda item	Content	Action points
<b>Introduction</b>	The current Facilitation Group Chair - UK - commends Germany for having successfully taken on this role over the past two months.	
<b>Ground Truth Solutions survey, OECD/DAC option</b>	Germany is currently funding an OECD project that uses GTS surveys of affected populations that are based largely - but not exclusively - on the	



<p><b><i>and Independent Grand Bargain Report</i></b></p>	<p>Grand Bargain as part of an OECD project. DFID is potentially interested in supporting this project once Germany’s funding ends in February 2018.</p> <p>GTS surveys may, depending on the chosen methodology, be one of the sources of data the consultants preparing the Independent Grand Bargain Report draw upon to capture progress. No funding commitment is in place, or decision on this yet made</p> <p>Participants recognized the importance of maintaining a clear separation between the OECD Project and independent report process. InterAction noted that sufficient time needs to be provided in order to collect inputs from the field for inclusion in the independent annual report.</p>	
<p><b><i>Update from the Secretariat</i></b></p>	<p>Gianmaria Pinto has now joined the Grand Bargain Secretariat, and amongst other things has been focusing on meeting the Grand Bargain Facilitation Group and work-stream co-convenors to ascertain how the Secretariat can support and complement their work activities.</p> <p>The Secretariat confirmed that it had received</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Communicate with the World Bank Representative in Geneva about the identifying a focal point within the Eminent Person’s Office to share Grand Bargain-related information. <b>DONE</b></li> <li>2. The Secretariat will meet the World Bank on 14 December 2017 and will follow up</li> </ol>



	<p>positive feedback from many Grand Bargain signatories in response to the summary note from the recent joint Facilitation Group meeting in Berlin, which was widely disseminated. Some participants informed that a number of Grand Bargain constituents perceive the Facilitation Group to be more assertive and directive, more steering of Grand Bargain initiatives rather than facilitating. However, other constituents have appreciated the high level of transparency that is being demonstrated by the Facilitation Group.</p> <p>The Secretariat noted the importance of Facilitation Group members OCHA and UK conversing with the co-convenors of work-stream 10. The co-convenors are seeking clarity on the work-stream’s role within the Grand Bargain process, which have been central to discussions at recent Grand Bargain meetings in New York and Berlin.</p>	<p>the above point. <b>DONE</b></p> <p>3. Inform the Eminent Person’s Office about the co-convenors workshop in January and the HFTT retreat in order to avoid overlap with a meeting around the same period, which it is understood is being proposed by Kristalina Georgieva. <b>DONE (KG Meeting 7 March)</b></p> <p>4. OCHA and UK will talk with the co-convenors of works-stream 10 on 15 December. <b>REQUEST UPDATE</b></p>
<p><i>Work Plan Progress (ToRs etc.)</i></p>	<p>The Secretariat provided an update on the execution of its work plan, which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Development of a standard distribution lists, Authorization/editing authorities for the GB Drive have been identified and the survey for</li> </ul>	<p>5. The Contact Survey will focus only on soliciting Grand Bargain contacts and focal points, and will be finalized prior to the self-reporting exercise. <b>DONE</b></p> <p>6. Keep the discussion open about what</p>



	<p>updating the contacts finalized. The proposal is to improve the survey by deleting questions 29/30/31 (priorities for the Secretariat, priorities for the Signatory and prioritized WSs) with the following question: Do you implement a GB pilot? (yes/no, if yes, which country and WS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>b) Internal repository: The GB Drive is ready and populated. Invites were sent to the FG (with editing rights). It is possible now to go live and share the Drive with Co-Convenors and Signatories</li><li>c) Regular GB communications and WS updates: The priority is to draft a two-page snapshot on the GB, but the secretariat will also focus on WS snapshots</li><li>d) On-boarding procedure: The Secretariat is finalizing the procedure</li><li>e) Development of key messages: See point c</li><li>f) Up-to-date list of country contexts; The Secretariat proposed to include a question on country pilots in the contact survey, but it was preferred to focus only on contacts.</li></ul>	<p>should be included into the self-report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>7. The draft onboarding procedures for new signatories will be shared by 22 December.</li><li>8. The Facilitation Group membership to share feedback on the Secretariat's communication plan. <b>DONE</b></li></ul>
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	<p>UNHCR reminded that it is important to stress that in some cases pilots are not specific activities, but rather mainstreaming in other programming. This is the case with, for example the Participation Revolution work-stream. Since mainstreaming is increasingly an effective way to drive change, it is important not to focus only specific piloting activities</p> <p>Many meeting participants suggested that the upcoming co-convenors workshop in January 2018, as well as the self-reporting exercise will provide an opportunity to collect signatory-specific information and data that was being solicited in the proposed survey, in an organized and sequenced manner. It was suggested that this would avoid duplication of effort, and 'survey fatigue' amongst signatories.</p>	
<p><b><i>Update on liaising with the Eminent Person</i></b></p>	<p>OCHA noted the importance of there being a strategy for engagement and communication with the Eminent Person's Office. This could possibly include some Grand Bargain Sherpas making a representation to the Eminent Person's Office.</p>	<p>9. It was decided to wait until the new year for a response from the Eminent Person's Office regarding feedback on the summary note from the Berlin meeting. Germany and OCHA will follow up on this agenda</p>



		item, while the Secretariat will also raise this point during its meeting with the Representative of the World Bank Office in Geneva. <b>DONE</b>
<b>GB Budget</b>	<p>The Secretariat reiterated its appreciation of MOFA Germany’s funding contribution for 2018. In addition, NORCAP and the World Bank are providing funds for an additional Secretariat staff member (Gianmaria Pinto), and for topping up the Secretariat’s budget. Thus the core budget for the Secretariat in 2018 has largely been met, excluding sourcing funding for ad hoc expenditures that may emerge throughout the year.</p> <p>OCHA suggested that in the spirit of the Grand Bargain, multi-year funding commitments to the Grand Bargain Secretariat should be explored in discussions with the ‘community of practice.’</p>	
<b>AOB</b>	<p><u>InterAction</u> informed that in order for NGOs to enhance the consistency and sharing of information a list of Grand Bargain NGO focal points has been created. The focal points will provide an easy entry point to share information within the NGO community, without overlapping with the activities</p>	<p>10. The Secretariat will link up the NGO GB focal points with work-stream co-convenors. <b>DONE</b></p> <p>11. UNHCR and ICRC will put together a concept note on the three objectives of</p>



	<p>of the work-stream co-convenors.</p> <p>ICRC outlined the three objectives of the co-convenors meeting, scheduled for 23 January 2018:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. To sharpen the focus on possible prioritization of the Grand Bargain commitments, and to agree upon the chapter contents that should frame the independent annual self-report;</li><li>2. Identification of the work progress and status of the 10 respective Grand Bargain work-streams;</li><li>3. The workshop can be a trigger for revitalizing the discussion on the quid pro quo dynamic of the Grand Bargain.</li></ol> <p>The general messaging on the Grand Bargain that the Secretariat is developing can be cross-checked - and if necessary strengthened - at the January co-convenors workshop, and then shared with the Grand Bargain Sherpas.</p> <p>Referencing the January 2018 retreat and workshop of the Humanitarian Financing Task Team (HFTT),</p>	<p>the 23 January workshop, seeking feedback from the Facilitation Group members. <b>DONE</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>12. DFID, OCHA, InterAction and Germany will work to align messaging for the FG attendance to the HFTT annual meeting in January. The FG does not concretely know what the agenda items are for that session but perhaps there will have more clarity by the time of the next FG telcon. <b>REQUEST UPDATE</b></li><li>13. In early January, a FG tele-conference will be scheduled to explore the interlinkages between the GB process with the GHD and IASC HFF TF meeting. <b>REQUEST UPDATE</b></li><li>14. The next FG Teleconference will include an overview of progress made against the Facilitation Group's work plan. <b>DONE</b></li><li>15. In mid-January a teleconference will be organized to discuss the self-reporting exercise.</li></ol>
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the Facilitation Group concurred that those members attending need to have some agreement on Grand Bargain messaging, which could be discussed at a meeting prior to the workshop. This pre-meeting would also explore how the HFTT's work can be aligned with that of the Grand Bargain work-streams.

OCHA informed that South Korea is keen to become a Grand Bargain signatory in 2018, and that some high level commitments in this regard have been made by various Ministerial representatives. In a related point, the Secretariat reported that it is finalizing the on-boarding procedures for new signatories.