

HDPN Progress Snapshot

This document is produced as a background document for the Peer-to-Peer workshop on strengthening collaboration across humanitarian, development and peacebuilding sectors. This document serves to provide a baseline snapshot of in-country progress towards strengthening the humanitarian development nexus, the so-called new way of working. All data is based on self-reporting from members of the Humanitarian Country Team/UN Country Team.

Operational Context:

In 2017 the 7.3 million people in need of humanitarian assistance and protection represented almost 8% of the population of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Those in need of assistance are concentrated in the conflict zones in the east of the country, but pockets of vulnerability exist in other parts of the country. Two decades of successive shocks increased the vulnerability of the Congolese population and humanitarian needs. The population faces the consequences of the armed conflicts and inter-communal violence, as well as disease outbreaks, malnutrition and food insecurity. More than 2.1 million people are displaced within the country. The humanitarian context is compounded by political tensions, an economic downturn and the spread inter-communal violence. In some areas, the situation is made worse by physical barriers. Finally, the lack of development and gender inequalities create chronic vulnerabilities. At the same time one of the largest peace keeping missions with a chapter 7 mandate and hence considered party to conflict.

I. Shared Vision:

Process of larger integration of the UN guided by the security council mandate is supported by the UN agencies, while there is concern from the humanitarian agencies of lack of distinction and respect of humanitarian space in that integration. In this regard it is felt, conceptually, there is a need to clarify the coherence of principles (humanitarian principles, and other development frameworks) in different settings and to identify the types of situations in which the humanitarian, development, and peace-building imperatives and objectives pull in slightly different directions. It is important in active conflict and with a stabilisation mandate for UN peacekeeping, that the integration does not infringe on the humanitarian response. There is need for distinction and tools for civ-military coordination to ensure a principled humanitarian response based on needs and not politics.

II. Joint planning/ Joined Up Programming:

The creation of an informal coordination venue were integral to fostering joint up planning between the humanitarian, development, and peacebuilding actors. Two informal groups were established in the DRC: a strategic level group bringing together the secretariats of humanitarian, development, stabilization actors, chaired by the DSRSG/RC/HC; and an informal group of senior technical planners to ensure linkages between concomitant humanitarian, development and political/security planning processes (UNDAF, peacekeeping mission concept revision, HRP, WB Country Partnership Framework and national development strategy). As part of this, a joint commitment was made to triangulate respective analysis. In addition, new tools were developed to inform these processes. To increase collective visibility on programmes across the three pillars, a '9Ws' (Who does What, Where - across the peace, humanitarian and development communities) exercise was undertaken to inform technical and strategic conversations.

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III. Current Funding and Financing Flows

Recipient country
Democratic Republic of the Congo

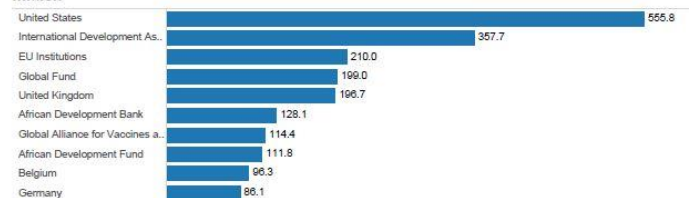
Receipts for Democratic Republic of the Congo

	2014	2015	2016
Net ODA (USD million)	2,400.0	2,500.0	2,107.4
Net ODA/GNI (%)	7.7	7.8	6.6
Gross ODA (USD million)	2,488.2	2,715.3	2,255.8
Bilateral share (gross ODA) (%)	48.4	53.4	45.2
Total net receipts (USD million)	2,047.8	2,700.6	1,849.3

For reference

	2014	2015	2016
Population (million)	73.7	76.2	78.7
GNI per capita (Atlas USD)	410.0	430.0	420.0

Top Ten Donors of Gross ODA for Democratic Republic of the Congo, 2015-2016 average, USD million



Bilateral ODA by Sector for Democratic Republic of the Congo, 2015-16 average



Source: OECD - DAC; <http://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-data/aid-at-a-glance.htm>