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Substantive progress is being made...

Evidence of shifts in norms and operational practice;
Measurable gains in efficiencies and effectiveness;
Increased country-level engagement;
Furthering gender equality;
Conviction that Grand Bargain can achieve its potential.

Workstream 2:
More support and
funding for local and
national responders



Workstream 3:
Increase the use and
coordination of cash



Workstream 9:
Harmonise and simplify
reporting requirements





But....

- X Progress remains uneven;
- X High transaction costs for - as yet - relatively limited returns;
- X 'Quid pro quo' is still not functional;
- X Progress at technical level but limited political dialogue to resolve challenges.






How to maximise the potential of the Grand Bargain?

Adopt a strategic approach to:

-  Address or better navigate remaining challenges; *and*
-  Exploit opportunities and scale up successes

Navigate the challenges, barriers and bottlenecks that are stalling progress:

-  Insufficient progress on provision of more flexible funding;
-  The impact of (increased) compliance requirements;
-  Linking better quality needs analyses with more principled resource allocations.

Expand, scale-up, build upon the successes achieved to date:

- ✓ Localisation: focus on the *quality* of investments in local/national partners;
- ✓ Enhanced quality funding: use the funding that is available more *strategically*;
- ✓ Harmonised reporting: upscale from a pilot to *standard* practice.