IASC Results Group 4 - Humanitarian Development Collaboration 12 March 2020

Summary Record

The IASC Results Group 4 on Humanitarian-Development Collaboration met on 11 February 2020 to discuss the following:

- 1. Action points from last meeting and adoption of minutes
- 2. Brief update from the JSC
- 3. Next steps for the IASC Light Guidance on the Collective Outcomes
- 4. Brief updates on work plan activities: (a) HDN and its linkages to Peace; (b) Community of Practice; (c) field support
- 5. RG4 Reporting to OPAG and upcoming OPAG meetings

The following is a brief summary of the discussions and action points agreed during the meeting.

Follow-up on Action Points and Adoption of Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting on 11 February 2020 were approved. RG4 co-Chair highlighted that the majority of the action points from the previous meeting were actioned. Those requiring further follow-up are captured below.

Action Points:

- Co-Chair to share the OECD's concept note and action planning on the upcoming INCAF discussions.
- 2. Co-Chair to rephrase the workplan language which describes the Group's country support activity to better capture the agreed way forward.
- 3. UNHCR to share write-ups of the three nexus-related sessions that took place during the HNPW.

Updates from the JSC

UNDP shared a short update on the upcoming JSC meeting, scheduled on 18 March, where opportunities and objectives for the JSC's support for Sudan will be identified. An extensive consultation has taken place, including with RC/HC of Sudan, and five priorities for the JSC's support were identified as follows: (i) joint programming and analysis, (ii) solutions for the macro-economic crisis; (iii) strengthened development and peace-building elements, (iv) programming focus on durable solutions for IDPs/refuges/returnees and protection of civilians, and (v) better coordination for the possible follow-up mission.

Co-Chair briefed on the call with that she had a call with Mr. Ramesh Rajasingham, Director of OCHA's Coordination Division where they discussed how best to represent humanitarian agencies in the JSC. A follow-up call is planned to take place soon with OCHA and UNDP.

Action Points:

- 1. Co-Chair to share key results of the follow-up call with OCHA and UNDP.
- 2. Co-Chair to arrange with UNDP an update session on the seven JSC priority countries.

Updates from the Collective Outcomes subgroup

Co-Chair and UNHCR shared that three OPAG members (World Bank, InterAction, UNDP) had provided feedback on the draft IASC Light Guidance on Collective Outcomes, with WFP to provide further comments. There were some positive comments received from donors, including the US and Denmark.

Co-Chair will discuss with WHO and UNHCR to discuss the next steps and timelines, including how to incorporate the received comments and to which extent. As soon as the draft is endorsed, a dissemination strategy will be formulated, including through a Peer-2-Peer webinar.

Action Points:

- 1. UNDP to share feedback on the draft Guidance as soon as possible.
- 2. Co-Chair to discuss with WHO and UNHCR to discuss the next steps and timelines with regard to the Guidance.

Updates from the HDN and its Linkages to Peace workstream

IOM and World Vision briefed that the subgroup was formed with participation of IOM, FAO, World Vision, PBSO, OECD, ICVA, ICRC, UNFPA, ILO, OHCHR and WFP among others, while members are welcome to express further interest to join the workstream. The outline of the issue paper on the peace articulation in the HDPN was shared with the wider group as well as peace-building and fragility colleagues. Comments were received, including on the need for finding a balance between theory and practice, drawing from lessons learned from individual agencies and turning the direction from providing definitions towards helping agencies to analyze implications of various approaches to Peace in terms of how it relates to their mandates. Members were requested to share further comments and interest to participate in this workstream.

Action Points:

 Members to share feedback on the draft outline for comments by COB 19 March and express further interest to participate in this workstream by writing to the subgroup leads (Ms. Sarah Zingg szingg@iom.int; Mr. Rodrigue Vinet Rodrigue.Vinet@fao.org; and Ms. Sheri Arnott sheri_arnott@worldvision.ca).

Updates from the Community of Practice (CoPN)

WFP and ICVA shared that the CoPN held a briefing to provide feedback on the draft IASC Light Guidance on Collective Outcomes on 13 February. They will shortly launch an informal survey on expectations for the CoPN's next phase and will brief key results at the next meeting. Calls are in the pipeline to discuss Mali and Sudan.

Action Points:

1. Subgroup leads to share key results of the survey at the next meeting.

Updates from the Field Support workstream

Co-Chair briefed that, during the call with Mr. Ramesh Rajasingham where they discussed how best to represent humanitarian agencies in the JSC, they agreed on possible collaboration around field support and knowledge management, which will be further discussed during their follow-up call.

Members were requested to share any further information on respective organizations' capacity in relation to the nexus as well as any support requested and its objectives via the link to the database of country support.

Action Points:

1. Members to share further feedback on respective organizations' capacity in relation to the nexus as well as any support requested and its objectives.

Updates from the Knowledge Management workstream

InterAction expressed interest in contributing to this workstream. Co-Chair requested members to continue expressing interest to participate.

Action Points:

1. Members interested in participating in the "knowledge management" workstream to continue expressing their interest by writing to the co-Chair (Ms. Marta Valdes, marta.valdes@oxfam.org) with copy to the IASC secretariat focal point (Ms. Jione Park, jione.park@un.org).

Progress Report to the OPAG

Co-Chair shared that all Results Groups are expected to provide a progress update by 24 April, prior to the next OPAG face-to-face meeting on 28-29 May. A timeline was proposed as follows:

- Format received by 8th of April
- First draft with inputs from leads of different work streams leads to be ready by 15th of April
- Draft for RG4 to comment on to be sent by 15th of April comments to be presented by 21st CoB
- Final version to be presented to the secretariat 24th of April

Action Points:

1. IASC secretariat to share the timelines of the OPAG reporting.

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RG5 co-Chair shared that DI, FAO, NRC, Oxfam and others are carrying forward key findings of the *Financing the Nexus* study, focusing on addressing specific country contexts. A concept note is under development, which will be shared with RG4. A quality funding roundtable is also to take place tentatively in Q2 2020 with the support from UNDP, World Bank and Good Humanitarian Donorship.

GPC shared key takeaways from its recent mission to Burkina Faso and Iraq, which showcases distinct nexus opportunities and and challenges. Mission reports will be shared with the wider group for information.

The Group's **next meeting is scheduled to take place during week of 13 April 2020.** The new co-Chair of the UNDP is expected to join for the first time. Further details will be shared via the IASC secretariat. Subgroups leads will continue updating the co-Chairs on their respective activities.
