

IASC Results Group 4 - Humanitarian Development Collaboration

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Draft Summary Record

INTRODUCTION

On 16 March 2021, the IASC Results Group 4 convened to discuss (i) Sharing results of key meetings over the last month, (ii) INCAF meeting; (iii) Other rapid updates on key RG4 workstreams; and (iv) Action Points and next meeting. The co-Chairs noted that all action points from the last meeting were confirmed and prior to today's meeting, RG4 co-Chairs shared a link to the updated concept notes of all RG4 workstreams with the exception of the toolbox, which has not been shared yet.

Results of key meetings over the last month

UK-hosted Expert Level meeting of the Humanitarian Liaison Working Group (HLWG), with a focus on the humanitarian development peace nexus and Ending Need

WFP gave a brief overview of the meeting, which was very well received and enjoyed a broad representation of diverse constituents, including donors. The HLWG was deemed a unique platform and opportunity to share information and discuss progress taking place implementing the DAC recommendations but also around humanitarian development collaboration (HDC) in general and program/operational issues in particular. A key focus of the discussion was on what the DAC recommendations mean for UN agencies which have committed to adhere to the recommendations. WFP explained that while Country level workstreams focus on the CCA and CCF, in the global context the discussion centered around triangularism, with the objective to break down silos and establish a common understanding around the key areas of the nexus work. It was deemed important to be closely connected to the work of the IASC RG4. Donors sought clarity on how synergies evolve, in addition of advocating for broadening adherence to the DAC recommendations.

OCHA welcomed the expert discussions, in particular noting donors' expressed desire to better understand how concretely the nexus works at country level and where donors can get involved. OCHA recognized with appreciation the high quality of the conversation, expressing a desire to ensure building up on discussions held in future fora. OCHA noted further that sufficient guidance on HDC was available by now (highlighting the DAC guidance and IASC Collective Outcomes guidelines), however more efforts need to be done to show how this guidance is addressed operationally. RG4 co-Chairs commented on the clear alignment of RG4 workstream with the work of the OECD and with the DAC recommendations, observing that RG4 was successful in avoiding duplication.

UNDCO queried how donors would align around the CCAs and how they could link up with the work of the RG4 subgroup around the CCA/CCF. WFP committed to continue strong close collaboration. It noted that many countries were also undertaking their own analysis and urged working towards a common understanding and inclusion of their analysis in CCAs. UNDCO explained it would ensure that such analysis would be taken on board in the CCA process and that duplication would be avoided.

IOM noted that it committed to co-leading a workstream together with Belgium on future donor engagement. It explained further that they are currently planning to send out a donor survey with the objective to garner donor interest in which CCAs they would hope to identify one country process, in alignment with RC/HC.

OECD INCAF expressed its strong desire to continue close collaboration with RG4 and its commitment to sharing the draft of the forthcoming interim progress report. INCAF is planning to reach out to NGO fora in an effort to ensure that all actors involved in HDC are represented, with dialogue around adherence to the DAC recommendations offering a platform for dialogue. DCO noted further that the revised list of countries planning to undertake CCA/CCFs was shared in the shared folder.

Co-Chairs expressed satisfaction that targeted outreach to NGOs is planned, as NGOs have not been regularly engaged in this process. Only one NGO has endorsed the DAC recommendations. World Vision also expressed support for such targeted dialogue. ICVA highlighted the forthcoming ALNAP evaluation on NGO participation in the HDC, which is anticipated to identify good approaches and present success stories. ICVA will lead active consultation with NGOs to feed into this process. The OECD offered to brief on the draft interim progress report in a future RG4 meeting.

Action Point:

- Share the presentation UK-hosted Expert Level meeting of the Humanitarian Liaison Working Group (HLWG), with a focus on the humanitarian development peace nexus and Ending Need. [WFP]

INCAF meeting

Co-Chairs noted that the INCAF Task Team and RG4 have committed to meet regularly and the next meeting is yet to be set. In May/June, INCAF will hold an internal housekeeping session. Co-Chairs proposed RG4 to lead a session on triangulation around key asks, with the objective to learn more about each other's business models. Co-Chairs appealed to members to share their agenda suggestions and to share any key questions RG4 might want to ask to ensure making the most of this bi-annual meeting with INCAF.

UNFPA noted that INCAF meetings were found particularly useful if focused on specific themes and will share a proposal following the RG4 meeting. UNFPA queried if there were to be representative representation from humanitarian, development and peace actors and how to reflect on agencies being double or triple hatted. RG4 co-Chairs explained that IASC member representatives were to take part as humanitarian actors, irrespective of being double or triple hatted.

World Vision agreed to focus on operationalizing the nexus and translating commitments into action. World Vision suggested to look back on what was previously done to translate commitment into action and on what has been successful. The OECD supported previous interventions and suggested further to look again at the peace aspect. Having adopted the Peace Issue Paper, it noted that it might be relevant to highlight this further to a broader constituency and which warrants further attention. It was important to identify how we have an impact beyond our two groups.

Action Points:

- Co-chairs to develop short options paper [Co-chairs]
- Members to share thoughts with co-Chairs for inclusion in options paper [RG4 members]

Other rapid updates on other ongoing activities

Co-Chairs convened with Peer-2-Peer on Friday to discuss a future webinar with HC and HCTs on the operationalization of the nexus in country contexts. The IASC secretariat briefed on the forthcoming HNPW and plans for an RG4 session under the nexus theme.

OCHA explained that having received feedback, its concept note will be soon shared with RG4. OCHA is also finalizing the questionnaire for RCs to share with their counterparts in country contexts, specifically 22 countries including Burkina Faso, Mali, Nigeria, Ukraine, Lebanon, Yemen, OpT and Ethiopia. The subgroup will then develop a snapshot around mapping good practice and drawing out learning in June/July. OCHA will shortly share a survey with RCs via the IASC secretariat.

Co-Chairs noted that the OPAG meeting in April will focus on mapping and preliminary results.

IOM explained that it is currently well connected to mapping group and is waiting for conflict sensitivity mapping. IOM just shared the revised version of the concept note.

UNDCO noted that the concept note was turned into an action plan. UNDCO reviewed the list of CCA/CCFs and discussed the importance of linking up CCA/CCFs to HNO/HPC process. UNDCO observed that although some members seek a clear timeline, it is not possible. It is discussing entry points for NGOs in these two processes and linking up with donors and added that RCs should involve NGOs and donors at country level.

The next action in the **Community of Practice** will be the CCA briefing, which was used as an open platform to convene a briefing session with multi stakeholders. The next briefing will be on CAR in second half of April, followed by other country case studies.

With regard to the **Light Guidance on Collective Outcomes dissemination**, ICVA and UNHCR developed an updated dissemination plan and thanked those who translated the guidance, as different translations have been uploaded on the website. A concept note on Burkina and Sahel, which were already focus of donor meetings, is being developed. The group is aiming at scheduling a webinar, potentially chaired by EDG Chair Reena, with the idea to hear the views of other actors. The speakers noticed that Marta should flag to Aida that the platform used will be P2P. ICAV and UNHCR finally inquired on any other member being interested in the Translation of Peace Issue Paper.

UNFPA thanked members for the feedback received on the Gender in the nexus evaluation.

Angelica proposed a session on JIAF as an analytical tool for the next pop-up session.

RG4 members suggested to join webinar by Sida "Why gender equality matters in the humanitarian, development and peacebuilding nexus" on 22 March 2021 at the following link:

<https://www.anpdm.com/public/event/RegistrationForm/42445F417343425D437640>

Action Points

- IASC secretariat to share previous summary of HNPW nexus theme **[IASC secretariat]**
- Come back to co-Chairs with suggestions for HNPW on RG4 session and to step forward as lead **[RG4 members]**

- Share PPT from today's meeting [**Rebecca**]
- Share options paper for INCAF meeting with RG4 and discuss at next meeting [**Co-chairs**]
- Share ideas for HNPW and step forward as lead with co-Chairs [**RG4 members**]
- Disseminate products of RG4 [**IASC Secretariat**]
- Check if access to RG4 Input on calendar is granted [**RG4 members**]
- Share ideas for pop up session [**RG4 members**]

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The Group's next meeting is scheduled to take place on **20th April 2021, 2:30-4:00 PM**. The IASC secretariat will share further details in due time. Sub-groups leaders will continue updating the co-Chairs on their respective activities.