



Nexus Academy Launch

Accelerating Learning, Community and Capacity for HDP Solutions

Objective: Build multi-stakeholder support for the Nexus Academy as a vital ‘systems-wide’ effort to scale-up understanding, capacities and programming to advance nexus approaches, and translate the principles of the **DAC Recommendation on the humanitarian-development-peace nexus** into concrete actions on the ground.

Date: Wednesday 23 February 14:00-15:30 CET (GVA) time / 08:00-09:30 NYC time.

Location: Hybrid event with in-person panel and an invited audience at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, complemented by on-line global participation.

Participants: Senior level Development Assistance Committee (DAC), United Nations, Permanent Mission and NGO representatives, both in person and online.

Overview: It has been three years since the OECD-DAC passed the [Recommendation on the Humanitarian Development Peace Nexus](#) and there is increasing urgency to ensure that the principals of the Recommendation are translated into practical programmatic actions. In particular, there is a need to scale-up and accelerate nexus approaches in order to implement more coherent, complementary and effective humanitarian, development and peace actions, through greater collaboration, in crisis settings.

The Nexus Academy is a unique ‘common good’ designed and delivered by DAC members, the UN system – particularly those UN agencies who have already adhered to the DAC Recommendation, NGOs and a broad range of other stakeholders. The Academy builds on the success of the DAC Recommendation and aims to forge a common understanding of nexus approaches to ensure that organisations and the people they employ have the knowledge, skills and capacities to translate these approaches into practical actions. These actions should that follow the nexus principle of prioritizing prevention always, development wherever possible and humanitarian action when necessary, and help us achieve our shared commitments under the SDGs.

Format: One-and-a-half hour hybrid format event including:

- Ten minute **audio-visual package** presenting the Nexus Academy and its contribution to advancing nexus approaches, including voices from crisis affected communities;
- Forty-five minute **panel discussion** (in-person event in Geneva) between the DAC Chair, Ms Susanna Moorehead; co-chairs of the DAC-UN Dialogue, the United States and the World Food Programme; UNDP, as the host of the Nexus Academy, and; a senior level representative from the g7+ Group of Fragile and Conflict Affected States.
- Thirty-five minutes **contributions from the floor and virtually: endorsements** of the Nexus Academy as a ‘systems-wide common good.’

Output: The Nexus Academy will officially be launched as a DAC-UN Dialogue initiative to operationalize the DAC Recommendation on the nexus and to strengthen the skills, knowledge and capacities to accelerate cooperation between stakeholders across the humanitarian, development peace nexus. The launch event will be complemented by a social media engagement campaign held before, during and after the event to build support and engagement with this new initiative and position the Nexus Academy as a unique global common good and a collective effort to accelerate implementation of the DAC Recommendation.



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Timing (CET)	Session
14:00 – 14:05	Welcome remarks by the DAC Chair and Audio-visual package
14:05 – 14:45	Panel discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DAC Chair• US• WFP• UNDP• g7+
14:45 – 14:50	Video message from UNDP Administrator, as ‘host’ of the Academy
14:50 – 15:20	Statements from the floor
15:20 – 15:25	Closing remarks from the DAC Chair