

INTER-AGENCY STANDING COMMITTEE
JOINT IASC WORKING GROUP / EMERGENCY DIRECTORS GROUP MEETING

Agenda

26 APRIL 2018

Host: UNDP, New York

Location: Ex Press Bar (3rd Floor), UN Secretariat

25 APRIL 18:00:	WELCOME DINNER Location: Ali Baba Turkish Cuisine, 862 Second Ave (corner 46th St) (at participant's cost – see details in Logistics Note)
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Time	Ex Press Bar, 3 rd Floor UN Secretariat building
08:30	Arrival with Coffee / Tea
09:00 - 09:30	Opening remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms. Ursula Mueller Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator- Mr. Michele Candotti, Chief of Staff, UNDP
9:30 - 11:00 (90 mins)	<u>Session 1: IASC Strategy Discussion: Priorities for Collective Action</u> Session Facilitator: Ms. Clare Dalton, Head of Humanitarian Diplomacy, ICRC Presenters: Ms. Mbaranga Gasarabwe, Humanitarian Coordinator, Mali (by VTC) Mr. Jamie Mc Goldrick, Humanitarian Coordinator, Occupied Palestinian Territory (by VTC) Strategic discussion and horizon scanning of field challenges necessitating IASC support and position. Possible issues include: access; ensuring principled humanitarian action and a more effective protection response; the deterioration of regulatory environment for humanitarian NGO operations; funding constraints including funding that is 'supply-driven' or vulnerable to political considerations; understanding, conceptualising and implementing the New Way of Working / Humanitarian - Development Nexus; accountability and prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA); adapting to increasing urban nature of crises. Expected outcomes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consensus on priority issues for IASC workplan.• Proposal on workplan parameters Background papers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• P2P Analysis. Peer2Peer providing an analysis of priority areas and trends identified by field colleagues during recent P2P missions.
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee Break

<p>11:30 - 13:00 (90 mins)</p>	<p>Session 2: <u>Review of the L3 emergency response mechanism</u></p> <p>Session Facilitator: Mr. Manuel Fontaine, Director, Office of Emergency Programmes, UNICEF</p> <p>To address longstanding challenges around the system-wide L3 emergency response, IASC Principals decided to replace the current L3 response mechanism with two new systems:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. A system for triggering prompt, coordinated and substantial operational scale up in response to large, new crises, and2. A system for signalling the need for continuing major responses and high levels of financing for the biggest protracted crises. <p>Discussion on proposed new systems and related protocols.</p> <p>Expected outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agreement on the core parameters of the new two systems.• Process and timeline for completion, for submission to IASC Principals <p>Background Papers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Draft concept note on new IASC emergency response systems• What Does the IASC Humanitarian System-Wide Level 3 Emergency Response mean in practice?• How the System responds to Level 3 Emergencies (IASC March 2012)
<p>13:00 - 14:15</p>	<p>Lunch, hosted by UNDP</p>
<p>14:15 - 15:15 (60 min)</p>	<p>Session 3: <u>Better Response for Internally Displaced Persons in protracted crises</u></p> <p>Opening remarks: Special Rapporteur for the Human Rights of IDPs, Ms. Cecilia Jimenez-Damary (by recorded video): “Building on the 20th anniversary of the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement: an opportunity for strengthened joint strategic action in support of IDPs”</p> <p>Session Facilitator: Ms. Kate Phillips-Barrasso, Director, Humanitarian Policy, Interaction</p> <p>Presenter: Mr. Filiep Decorte, Deputy Director, UN HABITAT New York Liaison Office</p> <p><u>Part 1: IDPs in protracted urban settings: gaps and opportunities</u></p> <p>In December 2017, the UN GA adopted Resolution 72/182 on the protection of and assistance to internally displaced person, which the encouraged the IASC ‘to enhance coordination, effectiveness, efficiency and predictability in preventing, responding to and finding solutions to internal displacement’.</p> <p>How can the system improve response for IDPs in protracted crises, taking urban settings as an immediate challenge? Building on lessons learned from several countries and most recent research, how can response strategies be better adjusted to meet the short and long-term protection and assistance needs of IDPs and host communities in urban settings?</p> <p>There is a need for a clear strategic vision for the IASC community to enhance the visibility of IDP concerns, and to strengthen the operational response to meet immediate emergency needs and achieve durable solutions.</p> <p>In preparation of the 20th anniversary of the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement, participants will discuss how to achieve a more efficient, coordinated humanitarian response to IDP needs. Participants will consider whether the inter-agency emergency response and coordination rightly addresses IDPs’ specific vulnerabilities in different contexts.</p>

	<p>Expected outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A collective understanding of the required expertise to identify and address IDPs and host communities' specific vulnerabilities in protracted crises, and particularly in urban settings. • Agreement on improved coordination structure for response: Based on specific country contexts, identify current challenges and opportunities, and agree collective next steps to adapt the coordination and response to meet the protection and assistance needs of IDPs. <p>Background papers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forced displacement in urban areas: what needs to be done (Global Alliance for Urban Crisis) • “Durable Solutions Indicator Library and Analysis Guide developed and agreed upon through the interagency project “Informing Responses to Support Durable Solutions for IDPs”, available at: www.inform-durablesolutions-idp.org” [from 16 April 2018] • Meeting minutes from previous WG discussion on that topic
<p>15:15 - 15:45</p>	<p>Coffee Break</p>
<p>15:45 - 17:00 (75 min)</p>	<p><u>Session 3: Better Response for IDPs continued</u></p> <p><u>Part 2: Improving engagement and advocacy with governments and other actors to foster durable solutions</u></p> <p>Session Facilitator: Ms. Kate Phillips-Barrasso, Director Humanitarian Policy, Interaction</p> <p>Presenters: Mr. Neal Walker, Resident Coordinator Ukraine Mr. Walter Kaelin, independent consultant and author, <i>Breaking the Impasse</i></p> <p>In continuation of the previous discussion, how can the IASC more effectively engage concerned governments, donors and member states, as well as development partners, to improve protection and response for IDPs.</p> <p>Expected outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify when, where and how the IASC can engage with governments and member states on normative frameworks, such as guiding principles or common messaging around the Kampala convention, and other key areas. • Identify areas of common engagement for political advocacy at headquarters and field. <p>Background papers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20th anniversary of the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement: A plan of action for advancing protection, prevention and solutions for IDPs • Recommendations from OCHA-commissioned Study: <i>Breaking the Impasse: Reducing Protracted Internal Displacement as a Collective Outcome</i> and Country Case Studies from both: <i>Breaking the Impasse</i>; and <i>Durable Solutions: Workshop Report, June 2017</i>
<p>17:00 – 18:00 (60 min)</p>	<p><u>Conclusions and Closing</u></p> <p>Reflections on the Joint Working Group and Emergency Directors Group meeting</p> <p>Forward Agenda Closing Remarks by Ms. Ursula Mueller, Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator</p>