
IASC Results Group 4 - Humanitarian Development Collaboration

8 July 2020

Summary Record

The IASC Results Group 4 on Humanitarian-Development Collaboration met on 8 July 2020 to discuss (i) HDN and its linkages to peace - update and next steps; (ii) dissemination plans of the IASC Light Guidance on Collective Outcomes; (iii) knowledge management - INCAF-IASC workshop in September; and (iv) brief updates on workplan activities.

Co-Chairs noted that all action points agreed at the last meeting on 9 June were implemented, while the minutes of the INCAF-IASC meeting and the INCAF paper on financing strategies for the nexus would be shared once they are finalized.

HDN and Its Linkages to Peace

IOM thanked members for comments shared on the draft issue paper titled “How humanitarian action can contribute to peace.” The final document is expected to be ready soon for submission to the OPAG for clearance. All members were requested to reach out to their respective OPAG representatives to brief them on the purpose of the issue paper to facilitate the OPAG clearance process. As a next step, discussion is underway regarding the possible development of light guidance for practitioners which will build upon the issue paper. Once the issue paper is endorsed, the sub-group will also take on updating the “Key Messages on the Humanitarian-Development Nexus and its Links to Peace.” IOM will continue leading the next steps, while FAO will continue its contribution. Members were requested to express interest to join the sub-group to take forward the next steps. FAO added that key comments received on the draft issue paper included the distinction between the big P and small P as well as recommendations to avoid duplications.

Co-Chairs noted that the issue paper was being developed upon the OPAG request to strengthen the articulation of Peace in the Nexus through identifying conditions under which the triple collaboration approaches are appropriate as well as to improve the collaboration and complementarity across the HDP spectrum. The issue paper will provide a common ground for updating the Key Messages.

In the ensuing discussion, OCHA expressed concerns over the paper’s title which does not fully reflect the objectives of HDN and its linkages to Peace. OCHA noted the need to focus more on how different pillars of HDP can collaborate as well as the need to use language that does not confuse Member States on the issue. OCHA suggested another round of consultation to address these concerns, which was seconded by UNHCR.

Co-Chairs agreed on the need to hold a deep-dive conversation to address raised concerns. They intend to have a bilateral conversation with the sub-group leads to suggest some options and timelines to the wider group. OCHA, UNDP and UNHCR will join a conversation on next steps.

Action Points:

1. Reach out to respective OPAG representatives to brief them on the purpose of the issue paper to facilitate the OPAG clearance process [*Members*]
2. Express interest to join the sub-group to take forward the next steps [*Members*]
3. Suggest options and timelines for a deep-dive conversation to address key issues of concerns [*Co-Chairs and sub-group leads with participation from OCHA, UNDP and UNHCR*]

Dissemination of the IASC Light Guidance on Collective Outcomes

Co-Chairs congratulated the group for the endorsement of the [IASC Light Guidance on Collective Outcomes](#) with special thanks to WHO and UNHCR for championing the process. ICVA will co-lead the dissemination plan of the Guidance, while OCHA, UNHCR, OHCHR and the IASC secretariat will support the process. Members were requested to express interest to take on the co-leadership. IASC secretariat had already begun the dissemination of the Guidance within and outside the IASC utilizing its various distribution channels. It also scheduled a webinar, hosted by the Peer-2-Peer project on 15 July, to further socialize the various issues highlighted by the Guidance. IASC secretariat will circulate the invitation of the webinar once ready and share the link to the Guidance on the IASC webpage.

UNHCR will be disseminating the guidance in the weekly meeting with NGOs on 15 July. GPC noted that a session would be held to discuss contributing to collective protection outcome through the Nexus on 17 September as part of the Global Protection Forum 2020. ICVA noted that its next iteration of Bulletin would feature the Guidance, while it will be also shared with its NGO and RC networks, as well as with the Community of Practice Network (CoPN) on the Humanitarian Development Nexus. UNHCR noted that the French translation of the Guidance was underway. Members were requested to continue sharing opportunities to disseminate the Guidance.

Co-Chairs suggested developing a brief messaging/communication document to help members to speak with same voice to the document. Members were requested to share any internal nexus advocacy documents available via a shared folder to be created. UNFPA noted its internal nexus policy currently under development.

Action Points:

4. Express interest to co-lead the dissemination plan of the Guidance [*Members*]
5. Circulate the invitation to the P2P webinar on the IASC Light Guidance on Collective Outcomes [*IASC secretariat*] *Actioned*
6. Share the link to the IASC Light Guidance on Collective Outcomes on the IASC webpage [*IASC secretariat*] *Actioned*
7. Continue sharing opportunities to disseminate the Guidance [*Members*]
8. Share any internal nexus advocacy documents available via a shared folder to be created [*Members*]

Knowledge Management: INCAF-IASC Workshop in September

Co-Chairs noted that the first INCAF-IASC Workshop took place on 14 May with a view to presenting key aspects of the “Commitments into Action in COVID-19 contexts” paper and validating practical actions to apply a nexus approach in fragile contexts. A follow up workshop will take place on 24 September to share knowledge around joint-up approaches to the Peace in the Nexus. Co-Chairs also noted that they were invited to the OECD DAC High-Level Roundtable on Nexus to take place in September. Members were requested to share suggestions on possible panelists for the INCAF-IASC Workshop and possible agenda items for the discussion with the OECD DAC.

ICVA suggested the speaker from the Mali NGO forum who featured as panelist at the ECOSOC HAS side event for the INCAF-IASC Workshop, which was strongly supported by OCHA.

Action Points:

9. Share suggestions on possible panelists for the INCAF-IASC Workshop and possible agenda items for the discussion with the OECD DAC [*Members*]

Indicators on Linkages between the GHRP, SPRP and the Socio-Economic Plan

Co-Chairs shared a status update on the IASC Principals request to the group to develop a shared set of indicators to support the complementary of work around the GHRP, SPRP and the socio-economic plan. The following four sets of indicators were presented to the OPAG, namely: (i) Multi-stakeholder engagement; (ii) Joined/shared/collaborative analysis and planning processes; (iii) Collective/collaborative identification and sharing of lessons learnt; and (iv) Financing. The OPAG requested to further minimize burdens on the field, while agreeing on the RC/HCs and the UNSG Dashboard on COVID-19 as appropriate options for reporting responsibilities. Work is ongoing to cut down on the sets of indicators and to liaise with the UNSG Dashboard to confirm how the indicators under refinement could be imbedded into the Dashboard. The proposal will be shared back with the OPAG for review before submission to the Principals.

SCHR suggested plugging the work to the ongoing discussion under the Results Group 2 to measure participation in the Humanitarian Response Plan process. Co-Chairs suggested a bilateral conversation to take this forward.

Action Points:

10. Share the revised proposal on the indicators to support the complementary of work around the GHRP, SPRP and the socio-economic plan with the OPAG [Co-Chairs] *Actioned*
11. Hold a bilateral conversation to discuss how to plug in the work to the ongoing discussion under the Results Group 2 to measure participation in the Humanitarian Response Plan process [Co-Chairs and SCHR]

Brief Update on the Ongoing Work

ICVA shared a brief update on the Community of Practice that the Community held a call on 28 May featuring oPt and South Sudan. Its next call will feature the IASC Light Guidance on Collective Outcomes.

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The Group's next meeting is scheduled to take place on **8 September**. Further details will be shared via the IASC secretariat. Sub-groups leads will continue updating the co-Chairs on their respective activities.
