



Individual Self Reflection 2020 on World Humanitarian Summit Commitments and Initiatives - Sumitomo Chemical



Stakeholder Information

Organisation Name
Sumitomo Chemical

Organisational Type
Private Sector

City and Country where Headquartered
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Region
Global

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2D Take concrete steps to improve compliance and accountability

Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Fully comply with humanitarian policies, frameworks and legally binding documents related to gender equality, women's empowerment, and women's rights.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity Leave No One Behind

2. A. How are you measuring progress toward achieving your commitments? Only the categories selected by the organisation will be seen below.

- Through existing, internal systems or frameworks for monitoring, reporting and/or evaluation.
- By reporting to, or using reports prepared for, UN principal organs, UN governing boards, or other international bodies
- By applying processes/indicators developed to measure WHS commitments specifically.

B. How are you assessing whether progress on your commitments is leading toward change in the direction of the transformation?

Sumitomo Chemical and the UN Foundation's *Nothing But Nets* campaign apply standard measures of malaria incidence and mortality to assess the impact of providing long-lasting bednets to vulnerable populations through our partnership.

3. A. Please select no more than 3 key challenges faced in implementing the commitments related to this transformation. Only the categories selected by the organisation will be seen below.

- Multi-stakeholder coordination

B. How are these challenges impacting achievement of this transformation?

The challenges have not impeded the partners from achieving our agreed goals.



3A Reduce and address displacement

Joint Commitments

Commitment	Joint Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
<p>In support of the UN Secretary General's Every Woman Every Child initiative, the UN Foundation's Nothing But Nets campaign and Sumitomo Chemical are delivering on a joint commitment to provide 1 million of Sumitomo Chemical's Olyset Nets to refugees and IDPs by the end of 2016. The nets were distributed by UN agencies operating in emergency and conflict settings.</p> <p>In 2017, Sumitomo Chemical has committed to building upon the matching grant challenge for another year, enabling Nothing But Nets to double the amount of nets raised by supporters by the end of 2017, by 350,000 nets, for a total of 700,000 nets (US \$1,225,000 in value). In addition, to help raise awareness and build empathy for refugees, Sumitomo Chemical will provide support for the Nothing But Nets' award-winning virtual reality film, "Under the Net".</p>	UN Foundation's Nothing but Nets campaign	Financial Contribution (US \$1,225,000)	Leave No One Behind

Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to a new approach to addressing forced displacement that not only meets immediate humanitarian needs but reduces vulnerability and improves the resilience, self-reliance and protection of refugees and IDPs. Commit to implementing this new approach through coherent international, regional and national efforts that recognize both the humanitarian and development challenges of displacement. Commit to take the necessary political, policy, legal and financial steps required to address these challenges for the specific context.	Leave No One Behind
Commit to promote and support safe, dignified and durable solutions for internally displaced persons and refugees. Commit to do so in a coherent and measurable manner through international, regional and national programs and by taking the necessary policy, legal and financial steps required for the specific contexts and in order to work towards a target of 50 percent reduction in internal displacement by 2030.	Leave No One Behind



Commit to collectively work towards a Global Compact on responsibility-sharing for refugees to safeguard the rights of refugees, while also effectively and predictably supporting States affected by such movements.

Leave No One Behind

1. Highlight the concrete actions taken between 1 January – 31 December 2017 to implement the commitments which contribute to achieving this transformation. Be as specific as possible and include any relevant data/figures.

IDPs (due to conflict, violence, and disaster)

Since its inception in 2015, the partnership between Sumitomo Chemical and *Nothing But Nets* provided 1.7 million bed nets and other lifesaving tools to refugee and internally displaced people (IDPs) at risk of malaria. In 2018, its third year of commitment, this collaboration will send nearly 630,000 more bed nets to protect approximately 1.2 million people .

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B. How are you assessing whether progress on your commitments is leading toward change in the direction of the transformation?

Progress against this commitment is measured by delivery and use of the bed nets by the target populations.

3. A. Please select no more than 3 key challenges faced in implementing the commitments related to this transformation. Only the categories selected by the organisation will be seen below.

- Multi-stakeholder coordination

4. Highlight actions planned for 2018 to advance implementation of your commitments in order to achieve this transformation.

The agreed actions for 2018 are well underway and expected to be completed according to plan.

6. List any good practice or examples of innovation undertaken individually or in cooperation with others to advance this transformation.

Based on experience in the first two years of commitment, the processes for completing the commitment have been streamlined to reduce delays and simplify inter-partner administration.

Keywords

Displacement



3D Empower and protect women and girls

Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Empower Women and Girls as change agents and leaders, including by increasing support for local women's groups to participate meaningfully in humanitarian action.	Leave No One Behind
Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights as agreed in accordance with the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the Beijing Platform for Action and the Outcome documents of their review conferences for all women and adolescent girls in crisis settings.	Leave No One Behind
Ensure that humanitarian programming is gender responsive.	Leave No One Behind
Fully comply with humanitarian policies, frameworks and legally binding documents related to gender equality, women's empowerment, and women's rights.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity Leave No One Behind

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Pregnant women and young children are most vulnerable to malaria infection. The delivery of the committed long-lasting bed nets to refugee, IDP and vulnerable populations through the Sumitomo Chemical/*Nothing But Nets* partnership reduces the malaria risk and burden to women and girls on a prioritized basis.

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- Through existing, internal systems or frameworks for monitoring, reporting and/or evaluation.

Keywords

Gender



4B Anticipate, do not wait, for crises

Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
<p>Commit to a new way of working that meets people's immediate humanitarian needs, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years through the achievement of collective outcomes. To achieve this, commit to the following: a) Anticipate, Do Not Wait: to invest in risk analysis and to incentivize early action in order to minimize the impact and frequency of known risks and hazards on people. b) Reinforce, Do Not Replace: to support and invest in local, national and regional leadership, capacity strengthening and response systems, avoiding duplicative international mechanisms wherever possible. c) Preserve and retain emergency capacity: to deliver predictable and flexible urgent and life-saving assistance and protection in accordance with humanitarian principles. d) Transcend Humanitarian-Development Divides: work together, toward collective outcomes that ensure humanitarian needs are met, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years and based on the comparative advantage of a diverse range of actors. The primacy of humanitarian principles will continue to underpin humanitarian action.</p>	<p>Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need</p>

1. Highlight the concrete actions taken between 1 January – 31 December 2017 to implement the commitments which contribute to achieving this transformation. Be as specific as possible and include any relevant data/figures.

In 2017, Sumitomo Chemical delivered on the matching grant challenge for a second year, enabling *Nothing But Nets* to double the amount of nets raised by supporters in 2017 by 350,000 nets, for a total of 700,000 nets (US \$1,225,000 in value). In addition, to help raise awareness and build empathy for refugees, Sumitomo Chemical was an underwriter for the *Nothing But Nets*' award-winning virtual reality film, "Under the Net".

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B. How are you assessing whether progress on your commitments is leading toward change in the direction of the transformation?

Assessment of progress is made by standard measures of malaria burden and mortality. The UN Foundation and their UN partners can offer concrete measures of stockpiled bed nets.

3. A. Please select no more than 3 key challenges faced in implementing the commitments related to this transformation. Only the categories selected by the organisation will be seen below.

- Multi-stakeholder coordination

Keywords

Displacement, Private sector



4C Deliver collective outcomes: transcend humanitarian-development divides

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Joined-up humanitarian-development analysis and planning towards collective outcomes

The commitment between Sumitomo Chemical and the UN Foundation's *Nothing But Nets* campaign also engages UN partners to deliver the bed nets to agreed at-risk populations. Through the collaboration between private sector, NGO and UN agency partners, a greater insight into the operational strengths and constraints of each sector has been recognized and processes streamlined.

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B. How are you assessing whether progress on your commitments is leading toward change in the direction of the transformation?

Assessment was made on the basis of completing delivery of the agreed bed nets.

3. A. Please select no more than 3 key challenges faced in implementing the commitments related to this transformation. Only the categories selected by the organisation will be seen below.

- Joined-up humanitarian-development analysis, planning, funding and/or response
- Multi-stakeholder coordination

Keywords

Humanitarian-development nexus, Private sector