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24 TRANSFORMATIONS



# **Individual Self Reflection 2020 on World Humanitarian Summit Commitments and Initiatives - World Evangelical Alliance**



## Stakeholder Information

**Organisation Name**

World Evangelical Alliance

**Organisational Type**

Faith-based Organisation

**City and Country where Headquartered**

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## 1D Develop solutions with and for people

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
World Evangelical Alliance commits to work with its national and regional partners in conflict areas of the world to promote cooperation, compassion, justice and a commitment to peace, and to confront attempts to use faith as a justification for conflict.	Advocacy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

#### 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.

The World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) implemented the Peace and Reconciliation Network, which includes regional resource centers for engaging and equipping local people in the peace process. Two regional centers were launched in 2017 in Moldova and Rwanda. Local faith leaders are recruited to discuss and develop local solutions related to peace and reconciliation. WEA is also participating in the World Bank Moral Imperative to End Extreme Poverty. WEA has a representative attending World Bank (WB) sessions and are making plans for the pilot projects in 2018 where WEA will focus on assisting with local contextualization of the Moral Imperative aims.

#### 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.

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

Progress on the initiatives is reported at quarterly Public Engagement Team meetings. Strategies are adjusted at these meetings as needed.

#### 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.

- Buy-in  
 Funding amounts  
 Institutional/Internal constraints

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

Challenges generally result in slow progress and limited uptake.

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

Further regions are planned for regional centers in 2018. We are also targeting the Democratic Republic of Congo for specific strategies for peace.

#### 5. What steps or actions are needed to make collective progress to achieve this transformation?

Improved and increased communication, more success at fundraising.

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

The network partners with local educational institutions to engage young people and future leaders.



## Keywords

Religious engagement



## 2B Ensure full access to and protection of the humanitarian and medical missions

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to ensure all populations in need receive rapid and unimpeded humanitarian assistance.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
Commit to promote and enhance efforts to respect and protect medical personnel, transports and facilities, as well as humanitarian relief personnel and assets against attacks, threats or other violent acts.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

### 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 the Democratic Republic of Congo, in 2017 the World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) hosted a meeting of faith leaders and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to discuss their relationship, support from WEA, and possibilities of working in greater collaboration. This came about in part to address suspicion of NGOs among local faith groups that risked contributing to violence.

### 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.

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

Ongoing discussions through a local coordinating committee.

### 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.

- Buy-in
- Field conditions, including insecurity and access
- Human resources/capacity

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

Lack of resources limits the types of action available.

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

WEA has a functioning cross-organization team developing shared strategies between faith groups and NGOs. The group is planning interventions in North Kivu as well as advocacy at the UN Human Rights committee.

### 5. What steps or actions are needed to make collective progress to achieve this transformation?

WEA is working on fundraising to find the resources to make this a viable coalition..

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

One key practice is developing and deferring to local leadership, supported by external actors as the local team draws on their support.

### Keywords

Religious engagement





## 2D Take concrete steps to improve compliance and accountability

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to promote and enhance respect for international humanitarian law, international human rights law, and refugee law, where applicable.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
Implement a coordinated global approach to prevent and respond to gender-based violence in crisis contexts, including through the Call to Action on Protection from Gender-based Violence in Emergencies.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
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

**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.**

#### Gender-based violence prevention and response

The World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) developed and is operating a Human Trafficking program. This program held regional meetings in India in 2017 to draw attention to gender violence and trafficking and recruit faith leaders to respond to this crisis. This is being followed by educational programs and regular communications to maintain awareness.

**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.

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

Feedback on initiatives during regional meetings.

**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.**

- Buy-in  
 Funding amounts  
 Human resources/capacity

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

Buy-in is a fundamental issue and the focus for WEA. WEA works through regional and national alliances and must have their buy-in to have local impact.

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

Additional regional meetings to increase national leader participation.

**5. What steps or actions are needed to make collective progress to achieve this transformation?**

Increase communication and buy-in.

### Keywords

Gender, Protection, Religious engagement







## 2E Uphold the rules: a global campaign to affirm the norms that safeguard humanity

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to promote and enhance respect for international humanitarian law, international human rights law, and refugee law, where applicable.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

### 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.

The World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) maintains an Ambassador to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). This person serves to advocate for the needs of refugees among faith communities globally, and coordinates support provided to refugees. In 2017 this included multiple visits to refugee camps in Kenya, Turkey and other key countries. Also in 2017, WEA participated in the Global Compact for Refugees and the Global Compact on Migration.

### 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.
- Through multi-stakeholder processes or initiatives (e.g. IASC, Grand Bargain, Charter for Change, etc).

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

Qualitative assessment. The Ambassador makes regular reports to WEA and stakeholders on the refugee crisis and the state of faith community response.

### 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.

- Adherence to standards and/or humanitarian principles
- Buy-in
- Human resources/capacity

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

Although the work for refugees is communicated widely, as always, it is limited by a lack of resources, and by political events that generate distrust and suspicion.

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

Increase visits and highlight success stories about the contributions of resettled refugees.

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

The Ambassador maintains a blog with widely received communicating about refugees, their plight and WEA's response. See [www.iafr.org](http://www.iafr.org).

### Keywords

Religious engagement



### 3A Reduce and address displacement

#### 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
Acknowledge the global public good provided by countries and communities which are hosting large numbers of refugees. Commit to providing communities with large numbers of displaced population or receiving large numbers of returnees with the necessary political, policy and financial, support to address the humanitarian and socio-economic impact. To this end, commit to strengthen multilateral financing instruments. Commit to foster host communities' self-reliance and resilience, as part of the comprehensive and integrated approach outlined in core commitment 1.	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
Commit to actively work to uphold the institution of asylum and the principle of non-refoulement. Commit to support further accession to and strengthened implementation of national, regional and international laws and policy frameworks that ensure and improve the protection of refugees and IDPs, such as the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and the 1967 Protocol or the AU Convention for the Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons in Africa (Kampala convention) or the Guiding Principles on internal displacement.	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.**

#### Refugees

The World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) is engaging faith groups in direct support of refugees, support for resettlement, and reduction of scapegoating and victimization of refugees. This is done through advocacy to national faith groups, education and participation in national efforts through the Refugee Highway Partnership (RHP) (See <http://www.refugeehighway.net/>). The RHP is a Task Force of the WEA. It focuses on advocacy, engagement, and fair distribution of goods for refugees.

**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.

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

Qualitative reports from partnership members.

**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.**

- Adherence to standards and/or humanitarian principles
- Buy-in
- Field conditions, including insecurity and access

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

Lack of security is a challenge in accessing refugees in the most extreme circumstances.

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

RHP has regional partnerships on every continent (except Antarctica). Each region held a regional meeting in 2017 to assess needs and revise strategies. Strategies vary by region.

**5. What steps or actions are needed to make collective progress to achieve this transformation?**

Increased advocacy and financial resources.

### **Keywords**

Displacement, Religious engagement



### 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 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

**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.**

The World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) serves women and girls through several commissions and task forces, including: (1) the Youth Commission, which focuses on developing youth leaders and addressing the needs of youth, (2) the family challenge task force, which includes the needs of children and support for the family unit, and (3) Humanitarian Advocacy, through which the WEA participates in the Campaign to End Violence Against Children (EVAC), including ending early marriage and gender violence.

Activities in 2017 included having student interns working with the WEA UN team, participating in the EVAC campaign, and educating national alliances regarding gender violence, women's rights, and child abuse.

**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.

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

Campaign reports, participation by national alliances.

**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.**

- Adherence to standards and/or humanitarian principles
- Buy-in
- Funding amounts

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

Education.

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

WEA is launching efforts in Cameroon, Nepal, Democratic Republic of Congo and Kenya focusing on trafficking and gender violence.

#### Keywords

Gender, Religious engagement, Youth



## 4A Reinforce, do not replace, national and local systems

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
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.	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
Commit to reinforce national and local leadership and capacities in managing disaster and climate-related risks through strengthened preparedness and predictable response and recovery arrangements.	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
Commit to increase investment in building community resilience as a critical first line of response, with the full and effective participation of women.	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need

**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.**

#### Building community resilience

The World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) has a program on community resilience for faith leaders. In 2017 WEA implemented this program in several locations, including Nepal and the Philippines. The program emphasizes local assessment of need, using local knowledge and developing local solutions.

**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.

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

WEA tracks actions by groups that participated in this program and gather qualitative reports on their actions and impacts.

**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.**

- Buy-in
- Field conditions, including insecurity and access
- Funding amounts

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



Local groups lack resources, and usually look to the West for funding. WEA's program emphasizes use of local resources, which confronts the traditional dependence on Western resources. This slows progress and leads to drip outs, but groups that continue develop more sustainable actions.

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

Holding international conference on community resilience and faith in Manila in September 2018.

**Keywords**

Community resilience, Local action, People-centred approach, Religious engagement



**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>
<p>Commit to accelerate the reduction of disaster and climate-related risks through the coherent implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, as well as other relevant strategies and programs of action, including the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway.</p>	<p>Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need Invest in Humanity</p>
<p>Commit to improve the understanding, anticipation and preparedness for disaster and climate-related risks by investing in data, analysis and early warning, and developing evidence-based decision-making processes that result in early 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.**

The World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) is teaching and promoting disaster preparedness as an area of responsibility for faith groups. This work is carried out by the WEA Creation Care Task Force and Humanitarian Advocacy. It includes teaching about climate change and resilience and the role of stewardship.

In 2017 WEA participated in the New Urban Agenda (NUA) by convening an inter-faith group to define faith group contributions to the NUA. It also developed guidance on climate change, and incorporated climate change into disaster and resilience training.

**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.

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

Participation in meetings and conferences.

**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.**

- Adherence to standards and/or humanitarian principles



- Buy-in
- Human resources/capacity

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

WEA narrows the scope to leaders in order to focus scarce resources.

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

Participate in NUA meetings; Conduct education on creation care and climate change.

**Keywords**

Community resilience, Disaster Risk Reduction





## 4C Deliver collective outcomes: transcend humanitarian-development divides

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
World Evangelical Alliance commits to coordinate with strategic partners to develop resources for faith based humanitarian actors on the theological basis for compassion, justice, humanity and impartiality in the provision of humanitarian assistance.	Partnership	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) commits to explore appropriate and relevant opportunities to engage with the United Nations to guide its actions that support and encourage faith-based humanitarian actors. Further, WEA, in its role as an advocate for the local faith community, will explore ways to appropriately inform and advise the UN on its actions related to local faith communities.	Advocacy	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
World Evangelical Alliance commits to support the role of local faith-based humanitarian actors in their unique role to reduce risk, care and protection of the vulnerable, and to foster recovery.	Partnership	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) commits to align the World Bank Moral Imperative to Eradicate Poverty with its support of World Humanitarian Summit outcomes, advancing both through education and support of strategic activities by WEA members.	Policy	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
World Evangelical Alliance commits to represent the evangelical community in dialogs with other faith and non-faith humanitarian actors, to advocate for the role of local faith communities, and to promote having communities at the center of humanitarian action.	Advocacy	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
World Evangelical Alliance commits to support the development of guidance for the humanitarian community on the provision of services to the local faith community, reducing faith as a potential barrier to equitable services, and assisting non-faith humanitarian actors in respecting and serving local faith communities.	Policy	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need



<p>World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) commits to promote awareness and engagement with the World Humanitarian Summit outcomes on religious engagement. This commitment starts with determining the existing level of support for these outcomes among the national and regional alliances and strategic partners of WEA. Based on an initial assessment of national and regional alliances, WEA commits to design and execute a campaign to increase the level of awareness, understanding and support for these outcomes.</p>	<p>Advocacy</p>	<p>Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need</p>
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### 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.**

#### Other-4C

The World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) endorses the faith community commitments to the World Humanitarian Summit (WHS) aims. Specific actions in 2017 included:

1. Development of resources for the Ending Violence campaign;
2. Developing a UN Side Event and Advocacy campaign related to the Democratic Republic of Congo;
3. Participating on Advocacy Committee for Moral Imperative (MI), preparing to support MI pilot projects;
4. Developed policy paper on work with local faith communities; Participating with Joint Learning Initiative on advocacy and engagement guidelines; Developed position paper on unique contributions of local faith communities to community development.

**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.**

- Adherence to standards and/or humanitarian principles
- Buy-in
- Data and analysis

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

Buy-in is a key challenge. There is considerable bias (not always unjustified) about working with local faith communities.



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

- Release updated guidance on contributions of local faith groups.
- Participate in pilots on Moral Imperative

**5. What steps or actions are needed to make collective progress to achieve this transformation?**

Increase awareness and buy-in.

**Keywords**

Religious engagement



**5B Invest according to risk**

**Core Commitments**

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to accelerate the reduction of disaster and climate-related risks through the coherent implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, as well as other relevant strategies and programs of action, including the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway.	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need Invest in Humanity

**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.**

The Sendai Framework is incorporated into the resilience, disaster reduction, and creation care work of the World Evangelical Alliance (WEA). The faith community contributions in the Sendai framework are very limited, from WEA's view, so its work uses the framework as a starting point and engages people in working through how to build on this.

**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.

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

Participation numbers, requests for assistance.

**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.**

- Adherence to standards and/or humanitarian principles
- Buy-in
- Data and analysis

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

The lack of clear faith community integration into Sendai creates a challenge when working with local faith groups. WEA devotes time to exploring and re-framing the framework for local application.

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

Continued presentations and advocacy for disaster frameworks

**Keywords**

Disaster Risk Reduction, Religious engagement



## 5D Finance outcomes, not fragmentation: shift from funding to financing

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to enable coherent financing that avoids fragmentation by supporting collective outcomes over multiple years, supporting those with demonstrated comparative advantage to deliver in context.	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need Invest in Humanity

### 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.

When working with national alliances the World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) avoids acting as a source of resources, focusing instead on recognizing local assets and developing creatively from local resources. Further, WEA teaches that external assets can have a corrupting effect on local institutions, best avoided by using external assets in ways that do not create long term dependence.

In 2017 WEA convened groups in many Global South countries where we taught methods for recognizing local assets and how to build upon them.

### 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.

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

Participation, qualitative feedback.

### 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.

- Adherence to standards and/or humanitarian principles  
 Buy-in  
 Funding modalities (earmarking, priorities, yearly agreements, risk aversion measures)

### Keywords

Local action, People-centred approach, Religious engagement



## Initiative Reports

### **Charter for Faith-based Humanitarian Action :**

#### **What concrete actions have you taken in support of the initiative.**

In 2017 the World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) conducted training on faith-based humanitarian action, as well as specific advocacy and intervention for targeted groups: refugees, children, women and girls.

### **The Peace Promise :**

#### **What concrete actions have you taken in support of the initiative.**

In 2017 the World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) launched the Peace and Reconciliation Network. It is composed of a network of regional resource and education centers. The first two are in Moldova and Rwanda.