



# **Annual Report on World Humanitarian Summit Commitments - Cordaid 2016**



## Stakeholder Information

**Organisation Name**

Cordaid

**Organisational Type**

NGO - International

**City and Country where Headquartered**

The Hague, Netherlands

**Focal Point Name**

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**Region**

Global

**Twitter ID**

Nil



## 1C Remain engaged and invest in stability

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
In fragile and conflict areas Cordaid rebuilds trust, resilience and self-reliance. It commits to equip and empower local communities to set their peace and development agendas and become leaders of social transformation. It will help build government systems that are sustainable and responsive to community needs.	Operational	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to address root causes of conflict and work to reduce fragility by investing in the development of inclusive, peaceful societies.	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

This commitment was related to Cordaid's objective to strengthen leadership of communities.

### Achievements at a glance

Cordaid is currently working in seven fragile conflict affected countries with a combination of humanitarian, resilience and development programming. In all these countries we work with communities and in five countries we build health systems that are sustainable and respond to community needs.

### How is your organization assessing progress

We are progressing in our work with communities in 7 countries and in five of these also with health RBF programming that strengthens health systems and are progressing in combination with emergency preparedness and response.

### Challenges faced in implementation

It is challenging to continue to build resilience and leadership and to strengthen systems in conflict environments. In CAR as well as South Sudan new unexpected conflicts slowed down achievements.

As a multi-mandate organisation we also face challenges in synergizing our humanitarian and development programs not in the least because donor flexibility is still limited.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

Cordaid has developed an action plan to develop and learn flexible programming that synergizes or moves between humanitarian, resilience and development approaches that we feel are needed in chronic conflict environments while adhering to the humanitarian principles.

### If you had one message for the annual report on what is most needed to advance the transformation Remain engaged and invest in stability, what would it be

There is a real need for more flexibility in programming and funding.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Keywords

People-centred approach

#### Specific Initiatives



Commitment to Action: Transcending the humanitarian - development divide

### **Agenda for Humanity**

1C - Remain engaged and invest in stability



## 1D Develop solutions with and for people

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
As part of the Caritas Network Cordaid will commit to the outcomes of the special session on Religious Engagement.	Policy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Caritas network member

### Achievements at a glance

The outcome of this session was not very specific. Cordaid followed up internally and with other NGOs in the Netherlands but the discussion gradually dried up.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Not much

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

In case the network takes it up we can consider but for the moment nothing specific.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Keywords

Religious engagement

#### Agenda for Humanity

1D - Develop solutions with and for people



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

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
As a humanitarian organization Cordaid commits to have greater transparency on how it uphold the humanitarian principles, including on the constraints in applying them, through peer-to-peer lesson learning or other relevant accountability mechanism to encourage our compliance to the humanitarian principles.	Operational	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

### 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

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

As a multi mandate organisation sometimes working with different programs and/or with local partners and which brings a need to discuss and often explain /debate the importance of the principles and operationalization in practice.

### Achievements at a glance

We informed other units and partners on the CHS, and our Dutch consortium supported translation of the CHS in Kurdish.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Sufficient.

### Challenges faced in implementation

There are constraints in country programs especially when it comes to choices in local system strengthening and creating parallel systems for deliver aid.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

- We planned a CHS training with Dutch cooperating aid agencies.
- We include humanitarian principles in our emergency preparedness trainings.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Keywords

Humanitarian principles

#### Agenda for Humanity

2B - Ensure full access to and protection of the humanitarian and medical missions and local systems

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



## 3D Empower and protect women and girls

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Cordaid, on behalf of the Jeune S3 consortium, commits to spend 30 million over 5 years (2016-2020) in fragile African Francophone countries to ensure that young people (10 to 24 years old) and especially girls are able, motivated and have the opportunity to make informed choices about their sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) and that their sexual and reproductive rights are respected.	Financial	Leave No One Behind
To empower women and girls as change agents and leaders, in all of its humanitarian aid programs Cordaid will ensure women's participation in community governance groups. To ensure that its humanitarian programming is gender responsive, it will undertake an assessments with disaggregated data, and its intervention are informed by gender analysis. Cordaid is focused on informed decision-making, access to family planning for families and youth, and most importantly through empowering girls.	Operational	Leave No One Behind

### 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

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

The high risks for women and girls in conflict context. Cordaid has a track record on women's leadership and sexual and reproductive health in our development departments but we observed we did not (yet) use that capacity for humanitarian aid.

### Achievements at a glance

Jeune S3 is ongoing. We are exploring how to cooperate and use capacity in our other programs to improve humanitarian aid. We have explored use of the minimum initial service package (MISP) for reproductive health in crisis situations.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Sufficient

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

The use of MISP will be tested in humanitarian programs in 2017. Cordaid will support a workshop on sexual and reproductive health in crisis setting with the Dutch relief alliance.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Agenda for Humanity

3D - Empower and protect women and



girls





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

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Cordaid adheres to SPHERE standards and Red Cross/ Red Crescent Code of Conduct and intends to organize a verification against the Core Humanitarian Standards by 2017.	Policy	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
Cordaid is committed to the integration of risk reduction and resilience into its humanitarian programming; capacity building of local actors in emergency preparedness and response; transcending the humanitarian-development divide; and strengthening protection mainstreaming.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
Cordaid commits to establishing a common approach to providing information to affected people and collecting, aggregating and analysing feedback from communities to influence decision-making processes at strategic and operational levels.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need

### 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
Commit to empower national and local humanitarian action by increasing the share of financing accessible to local and national humanitarian actors and supporting the enhancement of their national delivery systems, capacities and preparedness planning.	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need Invest in Humanity



### **Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments**

Our mission is building flourishing communities; we are very much a community focused organisation that wants to be accountable.

### **Achievements at a glance**

Cordaid:

- prepared CHS self assessments
- committed research into linking humanitarian and development programming with two case studies - CAR and South Sudan.
- started to explore new tools for feedback of communities.

### **How is your organization assessing progress**

Sufficient

### **Challenges faced in implementation**

Time: a lot of these issues take time and staff are overwhelmed.

Our own funding is limited. We currently can not find sufficient funding to do capacity building in emergency preparedness and response in all the countries where we work.

### **Next step to advance implementation in 2017**

- Self assessment CHS will take place in 2017
- Research report will become available at the end of March 2017.
- Cordaid has an action plan on linking relief and development.

### **Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives**

#### **Agenda for Humanity**

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



## 4B Anticipate, do not wait, for crises

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
A part of its policy dialogue on the importance of integrated risk management, Cordaid will focus on major donors and private sector companies. It plans to enhance investments in disaster resilience measures at community level (in practice), from 2016 to 2020, in at least 8 developing countries (South Sudan, Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Philippines).	Financial	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
Cordaid will include specific budget for risk management and preparedness.	Advocacy	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
In line with its Resilience Communities programme, Cordaid will contribute to several targets from the SFDRR, the SDGs and the Climate Agreement from 2016-2020, in at least 8 developing countries (South Sudan, Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Philippines).	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
In line with its Resilient Communities and Humanitarian Aid programmes, Cordaid will work on disaster preparedness at community level and organizational level. After major disasters these two Cordaid programmes will work together on Resilient Recovery activities from 2016 to 2020.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need

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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

### **Achievements at a glance**

Programs are ongoing in 8 mentioned countries. Resilient recovery is ongoing in Nepal. Cordaid has a specific budget approved for resilience and emergency preparedness.

### **Next step to advance implementation in 2017**

- Develop emergency preparedness vision and approach within the Dutch relief alliance.
- Cordaid will adapt our approach to resilient recovery for conflict contexts.

### **Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives**

#### **Agenda for Humanity**

- 4B - Anticipate, do not wait, for crises



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

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
As a member of the Urban Crisis Alliance, Cordaid will respect the Urban Charter and develop specific approaches for response and resilience in urban contexts.	Policy	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need

### Core Commitments

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### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Membership of the Alliance.

### Achievements at a glance

Development ongoing in cooperation between resilience and humanitarian unit.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Behind due to staff illness.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

Cordaid will participate in Urban Crisis Alliance meetings.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Specific Initiatives

Global Alliance for Urban Crises

#### Agenda for Humanity

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





## 5A Invest in local capacities

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Cordaid supports the Charter for Change, which pledges 20% financing of national / local organizations in 2020.	Financial	Invest in Humanity

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to empower national and local humanitarian action by increasing the share of financing accessible to local and national humanitarian actors and supporting the enhancement of their national delivery systems, capacities and preparedness planning.	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need Invest in Humanity

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Cordaid has always done capacity building of local partners. The Charter for Change (C4C) fit within our organizational objectives and culture.

### Achievements at a glance

- Participation in C4C workshop in London and offered specific support to C4C on IATI as a reporting tool (Cordaid has experience with IATI)
- An Intern worked on adaptation of systems and tools to report and contribute better to localisation
- Participation in localization working group of Dutch Relief Alliance
- One Cordaid staff became a Caritas network toolkit trainer, contributing to strengthening capacity of national / local Caritas agencies

### How is your organization assessing progress

Good.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

Reporting on C4C and continuing to adapt our organisation to comply.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Specific Initiatives

- Charter for Change

#### Agenda for Humanity

- 4A - Reinforce, do not replace, national and local systems  5A - Invest in local capacities and local systems



## **5E** Diversify the resource base and increase cost-efficiency

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
Cordaid commits to the Charter for Change. In order to increase transparency and accountability, Cordaid has committed to publish all project data through IATI.	Policy	Invest in Humanity

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Our commitment to transparency. The Dutch government leads the Grand Bargain agenda on transparency.

### Achievements at a glance

We comply with IATI.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Good

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Specific Initiatives

Grand Bargain

#### Agenda for Humanity

5E - Diversify the resource base and increase cost-efficiency