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## Global Preparedness Partnership

### GPP Partner Agencies: Update on Activities – February 2, 2017

This update includes activities from both December 2016 and January 2017, due to the shortened working period.

#### Development of Documentation

The 'Vision of the GPP', 'Approach of the GPP', and the 'Links and Boundaries' (outlining connections to other preparedness and DRR global initiatives) documents have been improved visually and are available on the 'Agenda for Humanity' website. The detailed technical proposal is being updated, following on from the Operational Workshop on January 27<sup>th</sup> which provided some recommendations to adjust the GPP process. Secretariat and Steering Committee TORs are planned for development in February and the GPP Operations Manual will begin drafting in February. A 'Framework Document' is being developed, which is a consolidation of a variety of documents into one short package giving a brief outline of the purpose, governance, policy and process planning of the GPP. Once completed this framework will be submitted to the V20 Risk Focus Group for approval, and for formal endorsement by the V20 Ministerial Group.

#### Donor contacts

In December and January technical level discussions have been held with; Australia, Sweden and Norway. Formal outreach to donors for financial support is planned to begin February 2017 with a Member States briefing Geneva, and potentially also in NYC in March followed by a possible pledging conference in April in Washington DC.

#### Missions

The Partnerships Consultant undertook missions to New York, Washington DC and Rome. During these missions meetings were held with WFP (NYC and Rome), FAO, UNDP, World Bank, UNOPS, American Red Cross and OCHA. A presentation on the GPP was made at the Global Humanitarian Policy Forum held in NYC. Contact also made with OECD, UNICEF and GNDR among others attending the Policy Forum.

#### Partnerships

**Initiatives** - Meetings were held with UNISDR on the CREWS initiative and its links to the GPP, and with CADRI on their process and links. Attended a workshop with ALERT and discussed the links between ALERT and the GPP in a separate meeting. **Organisations** - Meetings were held with World Health Organisation, World Vision, International Federation of the Red Cross. **Networks** - A presentation on the GPP was delivered to multiple US based INGOs at the quarterly InterAction DRR Working Group Meeting. A briefing was also held with the Voluntary Organisations in Cooperation in Emergencies (VOICE), a network representing 85 European NGOs. A briefing for their members is planned for early February. **New Partners** – Three new partners have joined the GPP during this period; UNOPS and GNDR have joined as 'Functional Partners' and IFRC is considering to join as a 'Core Partner'.

#### Meetings

A General Partners meeting was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> January, a meeting report is available on request. A meeting between OCHA and representatives of the Philippines Mission on January 20<sup>th</sup>, and with the Ambassador for Barbados on January 25<sup>th</sup>. An Operational Workshop was held on the 27<sup>th</sup> of January to examine the operational realities the GPP is likely to face once launched. The workshop proved very fruitful and an outcomes document is available on

request. For the Cancun GP on DRR a side event application has been lodged with UNISDR. A GPP launch event slot has been booked on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March at 15.30 – 17.00.

**Planned Meetings and Activities**

1. February 2017 – Humanitarian Partnerships Week, Geneva. GPP presentation at Speakers’ Corner. Presentation at the VOICE DRR meeting.
2. March 2017 – V20 Regional Meeting for Asia Pacific, includes Risk Group meeting. Manila. GPP submission of framework document and request for recommendation to V20 Ministerial for formal endorsement.
3. March 2017 – Member States Briefing on GPP. Geneva (and NYC?).
4. April 2017 – V20 Ministerial meeting. Washington DC. Possible GPP pledging event linked.
5. May 2017 – Global Platform for DRR, Cancun. Launch of GPP planned at GP. Presentation of GPP at Side Event. Possibility to contribute to the Special Session on Enhancing Disaster Preparedness to be explored. Early Warning Event held prior to GP also.
6. June 2017 – World Reconstruction Event. Brussels.

**GPP management arrangements**

**Staffing** - As of January a junior consultant has been made available approximately 80% from the V20 secretariat. This position will continue at least until end February. Current planning includes advertising for Secretariat staff in Feb 2017, and bringing together of a Steering Committee by April 2017. Ad hoc technical meetings among all partners continue throughout as required. **Fund Management** – A Multi-Partner Trust Fund (MPTF) model was adopted at the 23<sup>rd</sup> January meeting. The TORs are being developed based on the GPP proposal and framework documents, and MOUs will need to be signed with key implementing partners.

**Proposed Timeline for GPP**

2017	<b>February</b>	Fund Established and Technical / Operations Framework drafted. Secretariat financing for initial year secured. Secretariat TORs.
2017	<b>March</b>	Secretariat Recruiting Begins – Donor briefing
2017	<b>April</b>	SOPs for funding application finalised – tools and templates developed
2017	<b>May</b>	Operations Manual Finalised, Secretariat recruiting complete, Fund at \$ level required by budget, Official Launch of country selection process at Cancun
2017	<b>June</b>	First National Applications
2017	<b>July</b>	First full diagnostic reviews able to begin

