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GPP Partner Agencies: Update on Activities – March 30, 2018

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Documentation

A GPP status briefing note was developed and shared with selected donor partners. An updated infographic on the GPP was developed and is attached to this update. The final changes to the GPP country application and the prioritisation criteria documents were accepted by March 16, and the documents are now available on the [GPP website](#).

Meetings

The GPP secretariat attended the panel discussion Beyond the Grand Bargain. The event took stock of the recommendations of the UN High Level Panels Report on Humanitarian Financing "Too important to fail – addressing the humanitarian financing gap" – two years on. There was a collective perception among the panelists that prevention and preparedness together with innovation should be the main instruments for shrinking humanitarian needs. In his speech, the Director for Humanitarian Assistance from the German Federal Office noted that Germany is investing more in preventative approaches for natural disasters and described this as "anticipatory humanitarian action".

The GPP secretariat attended the HNPW 2018 After Action Review, and several of our recommendations have been included in the final evaluation report, leading to several changes for 2018's Partnership Week. A meeting was held with a World Bank representative of the Global InsuResilience Partnership, and several areas of joint effort were identified, including identifying potential counties where both initiatives will be working in 2018.

The GPP core partners held a meeting to discuss and review the GPP operational tools and templates. The partners looked at the various tools available for preparedness review (ERP, CADRI, R2R, etc.) and discussed which one the GPP should use. It was decided that the GPP secretariat would look into developing a hybrid tool based on the existing tools. The quantitative Ready2Respond (R2R) model will be used as the basis for this hybrid, combined with more qualitative elements from the CADRI tool. Initially the R2R tool will be shared with countries planning scoping missions to guide their planning.

GPP Core partners met on Wednesday 21st of March to discuss the future of the GFDRR/World Bank involvement in the partnership. The GFDRR has provided its planned two years of seed money and support for the GPP and it will transition its engagement in the GPP from June 2018. After this date, the involvement of the World Bank in GPP will be most likely coordinated by their Ready2Respond team.

The GPP secretariat attended a Member States Briefing on the current humanitarian situation in Ethiopia and related funding requirements for 2018. After the briefing the GPP secretariat met with H.E Mr. Mitiku Kassa, Commissioner of the National Disaster Risk Management Commission (NDRMC) of Ethiopia, to discuss the GPP and the next steps in terms of GPP support in Ethiopia. Both parties will be actively seeking donor support for the GPP among donor partners and the World Bank to initiate the GPP in Ethiopia.

Given that four of the planned GPP scoping processes are due to commence in Asia, the GPP Secretariat joined a call with the OCHA regional office for Asia-Pacific, providing background and briefing on the planned GPP

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process. A meeting was held with the OCHA office managing follow up to the World Humanitarian Summit (WHS) commitments and initiatives. The WHS initiatives are now engaging in a mapping of potential connections, with the GPP leading the way in establishing this process.

The GPP secretariat attended the [Preparing for Shock: Is Preparedness the New Frontier?](#) global conference in Geneva on the 14th and 15th March. The conference was hosted by the Disasters and Emergencies Preparedness Programme and supported by DFID with multiple sessions focused on a variety of aspects of preparedness. The GPP Partnership Consultant chaired a panel on innovative programming and funding models for preparedness financing with panelists from National Government, Academia, Civil Society and the UN. The panel session was recorded and can be watched on [Facebook](#).



Panel from the left: **Meg Sattler** (Global Advisor Community Engagement, UNOCHA), **Matthew Serventy** (GPP Partnership Development Coordinator), **Dr. Phuong Pham** (Director of Evaluation and Implementation Science at the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative), **Anjum Nahed Chowdhury Lucky** (Director of GUK), **Almaz Demessie Woldetsadik** (Director for Early Warning and Emergency Response Directorate National Disaster Risk Management Commission – Ethiopia)

The GPP secretariat met with the Start Network to discuss the current status of the GPP and the eligibility for NGOs to be partners and access funding. Based on this discussion, GPP will be included in the Start Network report on programming and funding options for emergency response preparedness

Upcoming events

There will be a GPP resource mobilisation meeting taking place on the 3rd of April in Geneva.