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GPP Partner Agencies: Update on Activities – May 31, 2018

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Documentation

A "snapshot" of the key aspects included in country applications to the GPP was developed and is attached to this update. The GPP "Links and Boundaries" document was updated and will soon be available online. A PowerPoint presentation for countries beginning their scoping process was developed. A French language version of the Scoping Guidance PowerPoint Presentation has also been prepared.

Meetings

Donors - Representatives of the French Development Agency visited UNDP Geneva office and the GPP Partnership Development Consultant provided a briefing on the GPP and the current financing needs. They have an interest in strengthening their DRR support including preparedness. GPP Partnership Development Consultant met with the Global & Regional DRR/Resilience Coordinator from ECHO's Regional Office for East, South East Asia and Pacific region to discuss potential support for the GPP. GPP secretariat met with Danish Refugee Council's stand-by mechanism to discuss potential support and provide advice on accessing it. A short briefing and follow up of GPP materials was held with DFAT, the Australian government's donor body.

Partners - GPP secretariat held a meeting with FAO to discuss how to improve the resource mobilization efforts and how to bring the Principals of the UN partner agencies together to advocate for the GPP and to support Resource Mobilisation. Representatives of the Connecting Business Initiative (CBI) and the GPP secretariat met to discuss the possible role of the private sector in supporting the GPP countries and to identify other possible areas of collaboration. A short discussion was held with the InsuResilience Secretariat to outline next steps in engaging more closely, including sharing country level activities to explore potential opportunities to support countries together.

GPP Partnership Development Consultant attended the launch of the IFRC's Forecast-based Action by the Disaster Relief Emergency Fund. The objective of the event was to introduce the new Forecast-based Action by the Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) to governments and partners; and to discuss how to accelerate anticipatory action to promote a forward-looking humanitarian system. UN Senior Level meetings were held within UNDP, and between the MPTF office and OCHA, discussing the GPP and re-energising senior level commitment to support.

Others - GPP secretariat took part in a UN DRR Focal Points Retreat organized by UNISDR. The objective was to discuss the implementation of the UN Plan of Action on DRR for Resilience in the context of the UN reform and to agree on a work plan for the group. GPP secretariat took part in a planning meeting for the ECOSOC Humanitarian Affairs Segment and followed up afterwards with a suggestion to include Barbados Ambassador to the USA as a representative on their key panel. The GPP secretariat

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took part in the climate migration IOM-World Bank briefing on the ‘Groundswell Report: Preparing for Internal Climate Migration’.

Country status

Burkina Faso – The Burkina Faso Government held initial meetings regarding the GPP and has developed a plan for moving forward on the GPP scoping process and diagnostic review proposal development.

Ghana - A GPP scoping mission in Ghana took place from the 14th to 18th. The key objective of the mission was to identify priority areas and scope for the Diagnostic Review. The mission also identified many good practices and focus areas for concrete and immediate action. The mission team will submit a mission report to the UNRC with detailed guidance for preparation of the second GPP proposal for Diagnostic Review/Action Plan. The timeline foresees a Diagnostic Review Proposal to be developed during June.

Guatemala – A teleconference was held between Ministry of Finance, World Bank, UNDP and GPP to discuss reviewing the Guatemala Diagnostic Review Proposal. The proposal will undergo a significant review, and further talks will be held with World Bank representatives.

Pacific Islands - The GPP secretariat had a meeting with the UNDP Fiji country office to discuss the possibility of having RedR Australia experts deployed in Marshall Islands and Kiribati to support the GPP process in the countries and to provide liaison, capacity building and advisory support to the National Disaster Management Authorities of these countries. A similar meeting was held with the UNDP Samoa office, including discussion of support to the rollout of existing preparedness packages. These two processes may align, depending on the needs of the NDMAs in each context.

Upcoming events

The 2018 Asian Ministerial conference on disaster risk reduction will be held on 3-6 July in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. Various GPP partners will be attending.