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STEERING GROUP TELECONFERENCE – 20TH MAY 2020- **MINUTES**

AGENDA

- I. Update on follow up actions form last SG teleconference
- II. Update on the Nepal engagement
- III. Update on impact of COVID-19 on ESUPS.
- IV. Update on next round of proposals

Were present on the call

- British Red Cross- (Sophia Novelli)
- Plan International (Anna Tupling)
- Welthungerhilfe (Sofia Minetto, David Jakob, Florent Chane)
- IFRC (Juan Galvez)
- IOM (Takuya Ono)
- OFDA (Gurmeet Philora)
- UNHRD (Georgia Farley)
- Action Contre la Faim (Guillaume Mathieu)

- Were Excused

- Save the Children (Sue Hodgson)
- Penn State University (Jason Acimovic)

Membership & Admin matters

Registration

- As a follow up on an earlier request from BRC to define modalities to integrate new SG members, A draft document was prepared and circulated to the SG. Initial feedback in the call were positive. IFRC questioned the need for such a document regarding the number of requests. A follow up email will be sent to collect feedback
- The SG members were informed about the various proposals and funding situation. Both the NCE and the proposal phase 3 have been submitted to OFDA. The PM will inform the SG as news arrive

Follow Up actions

- 1. Re-send document for SG membership and collect feedback and/or endorsement as well as preferred option: nomination or application**
- 2. Inform SG members of proposal acceptance developments**
- 3. Add an Exit Strategy section in the ESUPS logframe (from last minutes)**

Registration

- The PM explained that the situation on the platform is as follows:
 - Phase 1 was done and was used to present the project to Nepal
 - Phase 2 and 3 need funding's (included in the proposals submitted to donors)
 - Until we get clarity, the PM works with the developers to progress and clarify all that can be in order to speed up the development once funding come through. That also includes progressing the work on all requirements related to Data Protection & security with the WHH Specialist
- On a question form IFRC, the PM clarified that while ESUPS is still in the seat to do the data upload (users do not have access to that functionality yet), the result can be accessed and used by the in-country users
- Regarding incorporating VCI into the data collected, the PM explained that while it makes sense, this will have to come to a later stage once the platform functions.

Follow Up actions

- 1. Continue progressing all STOCKHOLM related matters that can be progressed without funding for now: definition of the requirements and functionalities, Data Protection**
- 2. Follow up on proposal acceptance allowing the further development of STOCKHOLM.**

- The PM explained that the work is being done for Nepal as agreed with the Nepal Log Cluster and the Government to provide a set of recommendations on 25 Item Groups across 21 locations. This exercises required a few extra info for which collection is being finalised.
- PSU will then run the analysis for all those items and the PM will work on presenting that in a way that will allow each users and cluster to clearly understand the recommendations
- In the Philippines, the PM, together with a solid and very engaged support of IFRC and Help Logistics, is working on re-engaging the data collection for a fresh update, including the Philippines Red Cross (PRC) data. While there is no guarantee they will accept at this stage, the discussion is ongoing.
- Data cleaning of the Em-Dat database also started on Colombia and will be engaged on Indonesia.

Follow Up actions

- 1. Finalise documentation required by PSU to run the analysis**
- 2. Prepare a clear presentation document organised by clusters and Item groups (25)**
- 3. Continue engagement with IFRC and PRC as well as Philipines authorities tro re-collect fresh stock data update**
- 4. Finalise Em-Dat data cleaning for Colombia and initiate the same for Indonesia**

Communications

- A survey about the use of Twitter was circulated, analysed and presented to the SG members. The results being quite light and not convincing it was decided the following:
 - The current crisis and the limitations it imposes makes it a very bad timing to start a trial on Twitter since there is not much to tweet about
 - It was agreed however that a test could be tried.
 - This test will start only after we receive some clarity about the ESUPS funding situation
- On the question of sharing material., the PM reiterated to the group that, in the course of the current crisis, should any partner had relevant material to share we could communicate on that. PLAN suggested to reach out o the Reseau Logistique Humanitaire (RHL) regarding their recent group purchase
- The ESUPS comms officer also explained she was working on developing a quarterly newsletter. While this is progressing, it was also agreed that nothing would be launched before we get visibility on the future funding situation.

Follow Up actions

- Get all orequirements for a Twitter test prepared to be activated once we have funding visibility.
- Contact RHL to look at communication material options.
- Finalise the newsletter template and modalities to be ready to be triggered upon funding clarification

NEXT MEETING

- WHH forbids the use of Zoom as Zoom security protocols have not been assessed or approved.
- In order to ensure OFDA can still join the call without using Skype, the first trial on using TEAMS seem to be working fine. As such all new Teleconferences will take place via TEAMS.
- In that light, the PM will send cancellations of previously booked Skype meeting and re-send new TEAMS invitation for the agreed dates.
- Finally due to the push back of this last teleconferences the next ones will also be pushed back.

Follow Up actions

- Next teleconference: 1st July 15h00 ECT. Invitation to follow