



**Inter-Agency
Coordination**
Lebanon



Water Executive Committee (WEC) 2nd meeting

28 September 2017

Agenda

- Opening - H.E. Minister Cesar Abi Khalil
- Introductions
- Endorse minutes of previous meeting
- Discuss and agree on TOR following comments and feedback, covering the following key aspects:
 - Objective/purpose/function
 - Scope
 - Membership
 - Responsibilities
 - Sub-groups
- Discussion regarding sector funding
 - LCRP funding concerns
 - Strategy to increase funding to water sector
- AOB and next meeting

Scope

Should it cover humanitarian, stabilisation and development activities?

- There is no current framework for this; NWSS is development focused and pre-Syria crisis but is under revision, LCRP is humanitarian and stabilisation, THRIVE is still under development but is only UN and other actors like World Bank have their own programming.

Should it cover Syrian Crisis Response only?

- It would then fit best with the framework of the LCRP and thus might facilitate space for the donor group meetings that some requested. If the donor group recommences then there should be a clear distinction between the role of the donor group vs steering committee. There is also interest for national level coordination meetings for the LRCR which could potentially be facilitated somehow in the donor coordination group meetings.

Objective/purpose/function

- Needs to be more clear
- Some objections to “program/project selection” function
- Some objections to “decision making” function
- Some suggested it be policy level only

Membership

- Some requests for additional members; e.g. Swiss, Dutch, Italians, French, MoE, MoIM, WE DGs. This would make it a larger more inclusive committee. However, this may make it less effective as a decision-making body.
- Several participants interested to see the WE DGs in the committee. However, the Minister prefers to keep the committee at policy level and have the WE DGs represented by the DG Tutelle.
- Neither CISP nor RMF agreed to represent international or local NGOs respectively and they weren't elected by these groups. However, their membership as representatives of NGOs could be validated by each group.
- Suggested, if it can't be a bigger group and is a policy level committee, to have smaller membership with representatives of different stakeholder groups (i.e. UN, Donor, INGO, LNGO).

Responsibilities

- Too broad, unclear, ambitious.
- Suggestion that they should be more advisory in nature than doing the Ministry's job.

Sub-committees

- Some suggested these are too ambitious and each point is a program in itself, where there is not the capacity to support this.
- Suggestion to remove this section and replace with; temporary task forces/ coordination groups/ sub-committees as required by the committee to fulfil specific tasks or implement committee responsibilities.

Funding in water sector

LCRP water sector partners received \$54m for 2017 (as at 30th June)

– according to LCRP Financial Tracking Database

| Partner | 2016 carried over | 2017 Received | Notes |
|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--|
| ADRA | | \$93,000 | |
| CONCERN | \$1,976,417 | \$18,000 | Funds to Machta Hamoud wastewater project |
| GVC | \$5,100,000 | \$200,000 | Carry-over funds for Maddad water project, received for ITS WASH activities |
| Himaya Daee Aataa (HDA) | | \$15,000 | |
| IOCC | | \$964,170 | |
| NRC | | \$7,676,753 | TBC |
| Save the Children | \$174,671 | \$1,831,037 | 5 water projects in Zahle, Akkar and remainder awaiting approval |
| UNHCR | | \$21,509,787 | Funds mostly to DEVCO projects + other smaller projects |
| UNICEF | | \$18,376,415 | Funds directed to humanitarian/ITS WASH activities |
| UNRWA | \$3,112,831 | \$355,408 | TBC |
| World Vision International | \$292,766 | \$3,081,300 | Funds to Zahle water project, Akkar water project and Zahle wastewater project |
| TOTAL | \$13,268,099 | \$54,120,870 | |
| Appeal for 2017 | | \$280,000,000 | |
| Percent of appeal | 5% | 19% | |

AOB + time and date of next meeting?

Any other business?

Set time and date for next meeting!

Thank you all