

Sector Gender Focal Points Network (SGFPN) meeting

Place: World Vision office

08/07/2015

Focal Points Present¹:

Sector	Agency	Name	Attended
Basic Needs	PU –AMI	Zaid Awamrh	X
	Care	Mohammed Awamreh	
Child Protection	ICMC	Emma Horton	X
	IMC	Sheeraz Mukhaimer	
	World Vision	Eric Kitsa	x
Education	Terre des Hommes	Samah	
	ARDD Legal	Zaina Khalil	Regrets
	MECI	Garrett Rubin	Regrets
Food Security	WFP	Ban AlRashdan	X
	ACTED	Anthony Pusatory	
Health	Med Air	Elsa Groenveld	X
	IMC	Folaranmi Ogunbowale	Regrets
MHPSS	ARDD Legal	Dr Lina Darras	X
Nutrition	Save the Children Jordan	Hannah Kalbouneh	X
Protection	MPDL	Alejandro Hurtado	Regrets
	WVI	Mays Nawaseh	X
	IOM	Miranda Hurst	
RH	UNFPA	Faeza Abo Al-Jalo	X
SGBV	Near East Foundation	Eleanor Biasi	
	MPDC	Katia Urteaga	Regrets
Site/Shelter			
	PU-AMI	Zaid Awamrh	X
WASH	ACTED	Bushra Doshaq	X
Sector Lead Agency	UNHCR	Bertrand Blanc	X
	WFP	Ban AlRashdan	X
	UNICEF	Maaike van Adrichem	Regrets
Humanitarian Taskforce	Interagency, hosted by UNHCR	Sarah Martin	X
Other Agencies	UN Women	Rachel Dore-Weeks	X
	UN Women	Kelly Joseph	Observer

Agenda

¹ * New Gender Focal Point **Trainee, potential Gender Focal Point

1. ERF Process
2. Refresher on Gender Marker
3. Presentation on CFSME and gender by WFP, Nicole Carn
4. SGFPN Work Plan
5. AOB

Action Points

Task	Who	By when?
Send out draft TOR to SGFP	Chairs	July 3
Update Action Plan before it is sent it out to the group for review	Senior Gender Advisor	July 3
Share Monitoring GEMS recommendation report with SGFPN	Sarah Martin (Senior Gender Advisor)	July 30
Adapt Gender Marker guidance and share with SGFPN	Sarah Martin (Senior Gender Advisor)	August 9
Share WFP CFSME presentation	Chairs	July 15

1. Discussion on ERF review process

The OCHA online system does not allow for multi-sectorial submissions. Online, only one sector received the proposal despite the fact that other sectors are concerned. Multi-tasked teams, including several sectors, are currently working in the reviewing process. 6 gender focal points were involved to apply the gender marker with the direct support and guidance of the senior gender cap advisor (Protection, Shelter, Health, WASH). Feedback from the gender focal points on the reviewing process: The review of the proposals was a good practice but sometimes the review was not easy as the gender marking process was unclear. Some commented that the format for the ERF does not allow for good gender analysis due to space constraints. Others mentioned that some of the proposals were totally gender blind. Overall, everyone had challenges for scoring the Gender Marker between 1 and 2a. It was noted that many of the proposals included some key “gender” words that were not related to the core of the proposals. The ERF review committee and board will meet to review all proposal and the Senior GenCap is part of this board. The gender focal points should revert to their organizations and sectors about their analysis. All acknowledged that it was difficult to review these proposals in such a short notice and without sufficient knowledge to assess the markers. It was reminded that the gender marker is not only about women empowerment

Action Point: The Gender focal points will liaise with their sector chairs to give feedback to the sectors on how to better incorporate gender in the proposals. Could be a possibility for capacity building within the sector.

2. Quick refresher on gender marker

Senior GenCap advisor explain the gender marker methodology (including the proposal being considered at the global level to change the 2b marker to a check box). A group exercise was done on a proposal from the social protection sector and a joint review of the gender marker scores was conducted with the group.

Action point: Senior GenCap advisor to share the action sheet for gender analysis and updated presentation on the gender marker.

3. WFP presentation on comprehensive food security monitoring assessment

WFP was invited to share the Comprehensive Food Security Monitoring Exercise (CFSME) that was just conducted – in particular to look at how WFP used a gender analysis through sex and age disaggregated data to see who within the urban refugees were particularly vulnerable. Female Headed Households who do not live with another family and single men living without a family were noted as the most vulnerable. This was an interesting look at the gender dynamics as single men are not normally seen as “vulnerable.” The Senior GenCap Advisor linked this back to the very superficial gender analysis seen in many of the ERF proposals that sprinkled in phrases like “female headed households” without really noting why and how they were vulnerable.

Action Point: The CFSME PowerPoint will be shared by the chairs.

4. Review and revision of current work plan

The group made suggestions for changes to the current work plan which is a bit dated. The following themes were highlighted in the conversation:

- Identifying areas for additional support
- Supporting greater gender analysis
- Building capacity of sector gender focal points in advocacy to work within sectors
- Develop a systematic approach to consolidate information from different sectors and support sectors at key moments in the project cycle with data and gender analysis.

Due to lack of time, the work-plan with Sarah’s inputs will be shared for comments and revision by the entire group via email.

NEXT SGFPN MEETING

Those present at the meeting who are not sector gender focal points should report back to the gender FP for their organizations and talk to the sector chair about their interest in being a gender focal point for their sector. SGFPN meetings will be held once per month, with the next meeting on **August 12** and UN Women offered to host.