

CALP NETWORK BOARD MEETING – 06 SEPTEMBER 2022

MEETING NOTE

With up to 13 individuals drawn from across the CALP membership, the Board brings together wide-ranging expertise and experience. The structure of the Board is designed to ensure people from the different constituencies of CALP are present, but when they meet as a Board they put organizational mandates to one side and work solely in the interests of the CALP Network.

This short update of the September 2022 Board meeting provides a summary of discussions and decisions.

1. WELCOME, OVERVIEW & INTRODUCTIONS

- Farewell to Sibongani Kayola, who is stepping down from the Board as she is leaving her position at GiveDirectly.
- Minutes from the May meeting approved.

2. REPORT FROM THE TAG

John Lamm of USAID/BHA presented the update from the TAG meeting in June:

- Various studies moving forward, including:
 - Scaling CVA research due completed in August.
 - Glossary updates ongoing.
 - Mapping CVA commitments due for completion in August.
- TAG will look at future of CVA/ trends in future TAG meetings.
- Cash coordination was discussed, though further changes have happened since the TAG meeting.
- Ukraine response - TAG discussed wider impact on broader humanitarian landscape and CVA e.g., inflation, cost of living. Exploring how we can present these impacts to wider humanitarian community. CALP team is working with a learning group which is part of the Ukraine CWG to generate three learning papers on targeting/de-duplication, social protection and working with local actors. Some will have relevance beyond the Ukraine response.

3. PROGRESS REPORT

- The Cash Advisory Group and Ukraine response were both an important focus of work in the last period, as discussed above.
- The 2021-22 annual report was been published, with efforts to ensure it tells the story of the impact of CALP's work.
- Continued work to strengthen communications. Important work taking place on mass emails and D-groups, and other work across multiple platforms.
- Increasing number of requests for translation of various resources (e.g., Ukrainian, Romanian and Chinese). Working to develop guidance to enable more translation by partners.
- Work on the next State of the World's Cash Report has been initiated.
- Revised glossary will be published soon. Lots of new terms added especially related to social protection and responsible data management, some deletions and some revisions.

4. BOARD RECRUITMENT

The Board has a few vacancies upcoming. For more details, see the website.

5. CVA POLICY AND SCALING – PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF FINDINGS

- The consultants who had been working with CALP on a “Review of policy positions related to Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA) across the humanitarian system” and “Scaling the use of Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA)” presented some of the key findings from the draft reports.
- The Board discussed and had questions answered about data and content in the reports, as well as how to use the reports to affect change in the humanitarian system, once published.

DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS:

- Thursday 1 December 2022 - 13:00 UTC
- Monday 6 March 2023 - 13:00 UTC
- Tuesday 6 June 2023 - 13:00 UTC