

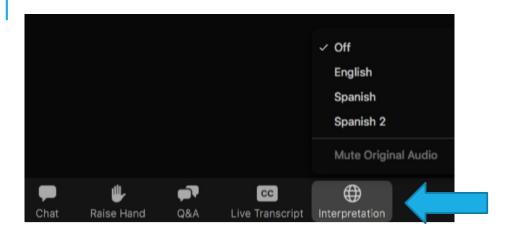
## BRIEFING BY GLOBAL CASH Advisory group

01 May 2023

# AGENDA

- 1) Welcome, Instructions and Introductions (10 mins)
- 2) Overview of CAG work to date (30 mins)
- 3) Facilitated Q&A Sessions (40 mins)
  - a. Breakouts in French, Spanish, Arabic and English
- 4) AOB (5 mins)
- 5) Wrap up (5 mins)

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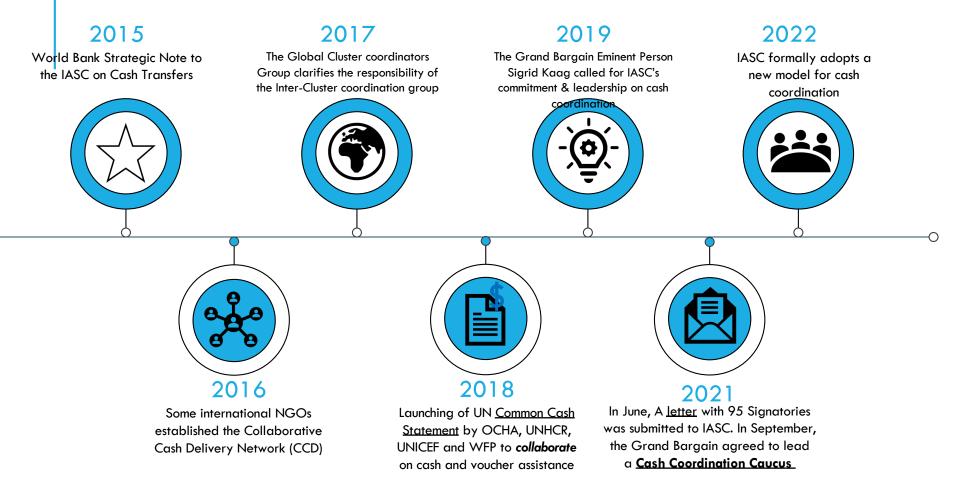
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## BACKGROUND ON CASH COORDINATION



### HOW CAN IMPROVED CASH COORDINATION BENEFIT RECIPIENTS?

1.Scalability and reachability - More people may be able to be reached with cash assistance.

2.Maximized resources - More funding may become available for more people.

- 3.Speed and efficiency Cash assistance can be delivered more quickly and timely.
- 4. Reduced duplication which can enable enhanced targeting.
- 5. Greater coherence of cash people can be referred for cash and services.
- 6. Possible increased links with and referrals to social protection systems.
- 7.Enhanced communication and harmonization more clarity, less confusion, where possible/ appropriate, shared feedback mechanisms
- 8.Harmonized cash approaches transfer values and mechanisms, reduced multiplicity of different approaches.
- 9. Increased responsiveness coordinated monitoring and analysis which can lead to adapted assistance

#### **Chairs and membership** Structure **Function** OCHA Chair (non-programmatic) and membership from Global Cash Global leadership; technical UN, NGO, RCRC, local actors, technical bodies such as Advisory Group development and capacity support CashCap, CALP (CAG) UNHCR to chair refugee-specific discussions Chairs HCT Assessment, response analysis, response design, OCHA chair in IASC / mixed setting cross sectoral and crash coordination, resource Intersectoral / mobilization (HRP/RRP/HNO), AAP, strategic links UNHCR + Government in refugee settings Cluster to SP Coordination Group Non-programmatic and programmatic co-chairing Cash Working Day to day Cash coordination including local actors (National Government or Group (CWG) **Principles and Functions** operational agency) in IASC setting UNHCR and National Government in refugee settings Cluster Cluster Sector coordination Established co-leadership of clusters **Principles and Functions** Cluster

### NEW CASH COORDINATION MODEL

- 1. Provide effective coordination of cash across the response, including assessing the feasibility of and need for cash as part of overall response analysis
- 2. Ensure the overall cash response is coherent, avoids duplication, and finds opportunities to increase effectiveness, coordinating with the clusters/ sectors to ensure coherence
- 3. Provide effective information management on the delivery of cash assistance, across the response, and in close collaboration with clusters and their IMOs for sector specific use of cash. This should include accurate and up to date 4Ws.
- 4. Promote use of common mechanisms, standards, and tools across partners for harmonized, quality and accountable programming.
- 5. Provide common services to cash partners as relevant which may include supporting joint framework of design for cash, market analysis, risk assessments, financial service provider mapping, coordinated monitoring and coordinated feedback mechanisms.
- 6. Review capacity building requirements of CWG members, clusters, local actors and government partners and develop strategies for addressing gaps in skills and knowledge through engagement with the CAG and with capacity building networks and existing entities (e.g. CALP, CashCap).
- 7. Advocate to create an enabling environment for cash including advocacy with partners for cash across the response; policy and advocacy with donors; and access to people in need of cash assistance.
- 8. Provide a clear and predictable entry point for linkages to social protection to the extent appropriate for the response.

KEY FUNCTIONS OF CWGS

- 1. Decisions on humanitarian needs. Multi-sectoral assessments provide the basis for response analysis and design and are conducted by a wide spectrum of agencies across sectors/ clusters under the lead of the IS/ICCG. However, cash coordinators can support multi-sectoral assessments.
- 2. Decision on the operational response to assessed needs in each context. Response analysis across sectors should provide the basis upon which response modalities are selected drawing on multi-sectoral assessments including market analyses.
- 3. Decision on funding allocations. However, based on current practice, the CWG cochairs might be invited to participate as technical experts alongside others in reviews. Ideally, the entity representing the CWG should not have a conflict of interest.
- 4. Co-Chairs should not have access to data about specific beneficiaries or specific transactions (beyond their own assisted caseload) in the interest of data protection protocols.
- 5. Representation to Government on issues that other agencies are mandated to speak on.

OUTSIDE THE MANDATE OF CO-CHAIRS

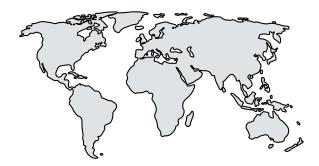
# TRANSITION PLAN

### The assessment of contexts was done based on:

- Analysis of primary data through survey shared with CWGs
- Analysis of secondary data on CWGs status
- Conversation and discussions with CWGs

### Groups were mapped against 4 Pillars of the new model:

- If groups were sub-groups of intersector/cluster
- Leadership (programmatic and nonprogrammatic)
- Sustainable financing for coordination
- Engagement of local actors



Settings were then grouped into three transition groups:

- Transition within **0** to **6** months
- Transition within 6 to 12 months
- Transition within **12** to **18** months

### Starting September 2022 to be completed by March 2024.

Only IASC, Mixed and Refugee contexts.

- IASC Principals mandate for specific settings.
- Inclusion in IASC/Mixed settings defined by whether OCHA has an office (one of the four pillars).

#### Within 0 — 6 months By March 2023 (completed)

#### IASC

Central African Republic, Nigeria

and Ukraine,

#### **Refugee context**

Iran, Mauritania, Moldova,

Romania, Slovakia

\*due to a change in status, Libya was removed

Within 6 — 12 months By September 2023

#### IASC

Afghanistan, Burkina Faso, Haiti Mali, Myanmar, Democratic Republic of Congo, occupied Palestinian territory<sup>\*</sup>, Sudan, Venezuela and Yemen

Refugee context Bangladesh (Cox's Bazaar), Ecuador, Egypt, Poland\*\*, Rwanda, Turkey

\* Opt was extended \*\*Poland was extended Within 12 — 18 months By March 2024

#### IASC

Cameroon, Chad, Ethiopia, Lebanon, Mozambique, Niger\* Somalia, South Sudan, Syria (Damascus), Syria (Gaziantep), Syria (Regional)

#### **Refugee context**

Bangladesh (The Bangladesh CWG), Jordan and Uganda

\*Niger was extended to the 12-18 months category

## **COMMON TRANSITION RECOMMENDATIONS TO CWGS**



- Share new Cash Coordination Model information with CWG members
- Updating TORs of CWGs in line with the new model.
- Building local capacity and engagement within cash coordination mechanisms.
- If and how elections /leadership changes should take place, particularly for contexts with high-functioning groups.
- Ongoing capacity building with an emphasize on local actors.
- Improved alignment between CWGs in mixed settings and sub-national groups.

# WHAT COULD SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION LOOK LIKE

- 1. Engagement and representation of local operational cash actors throughout all transition stages
- 2. Communication and information sharing of transition process with CWG members and operational cash actors.
- 3. Inclusive decision making and contextualization of transition process in-country.
- 4. Transition completed within timeline agreed on .
- 5. Adequate financing secured or identified to resource and recruit co-leadership roles.
- 6. Links with sectors and clusters/ working groups and ICCGs.
- 7. Transparent selection or election of programmatic/ nonprogrammatic leadership.
- 8. Alignment with humanitarian coordination architecture.
- 9. Enhanced technical and coordination capacities of CWG and co-leadership actors.
- 10. Participation of donors and governments in the transition process, as relevant.

### **Global Cash Advisory Group**

The purpose of the global Cash Advisory Group (CAG) is a standard setting group which supports country CWGs in terms of cash coordination and capacity with the overall aim of improving the quality and effectiveness of cash coordination

#### **2** INGOs



**3** UN Agencies



1 Network



2 Chairs



**OCHA** for IASC/mixed settings **UNHCR** for refugee settings



2 Red Cross/crescent movement



#### Source: CAG ToR

Timeline Benefits New model CWGs <b>gCAG</b> Transition Plan Succe	Timeline

### **GLOBAL CASH ADVISORY GROUP (CAG) WORK**

## Standard setting and capacity building

Provide ToRs for cash coordination. Develop standards, tools and guidance. Integrate and build on existing tools, guidance and support. Provide guidance for cash coordinators recruitment and role induction Provide technical advice and guidance to in-country cash coordination Support cross-fertilization of good practices among CWGs Ensure strong information sharing on cash assistance Provide overviews of best practices and ensure knowledge sharing

#### Advocacy, global monitoring, and liaison

#### Advocate to relevant stakeholders Be a forum for resolving common challenges on cash coordination Undertake regular stocktaking of country-level CWGs Provide information and input as required/requested by the IASC mechanisms Ensure engagement via the GCCG to support Clusters/Sectors in their engagement with CVA Engage with relevant actors to strengthen the global knowledge management **Develop** linkages to social protection coordination bodies

#### **Resourcing and prioritization**

Highlight any resource gaps and assisting countries to find resources to enable skilled human resources and expertise at the country level Formalize ways of working with a neutral, independent interagency deployment model (e.g., CashCap)

# CAG WORK TO DATE

#### In 2022

- Elections for CAG
- TORs and Workplan (CAG)
- IASC Deputies linakges
- Survey for transition planning

In 2023:

- CWG TORs drafted by CAG, field testing, circulated and open for feedback until September 2023
- CWG Cash Coordinators TORs drafted, field testing, circulation and open for feedback until Sept 2023
- Elections Process document in draft process
- Data responsibility request work with the DRWG

#### KPIs

Transition plan maps four key pillars, but what does effective cash coordination mean and from whose perspective?

#### Localisation

- Process not an event
- How to translate commitment into action
- Planning for research and pilot approach

#### Mapping and support to CWG

- Dashboard development
- Enhanced engagement with CWGs
- Financing gaps

#### Stakeholder Engagement

Global and regional groups

#### Scope of CAG

• Role of CAG and new model for settings outside of specific settings

# CAG UPCOMING PRIORITIES

# **QUESTIONS AND FEEDBACK**

Breakouts in French/Arabic/Spanish and English

Moderators from CAG

## AOB

#### Global CWG

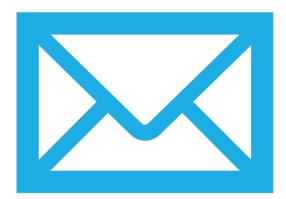
- Timing
- Topic
- New co-chair

**KPIs Engagement** 

•Webinar

Check the CAG section in the IASC website on the link below: <u>https://interagencystandingcommittee.org/global-cash-</u> advisory-group

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# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION



## THANK YOU