

MINUTES – FSL Strategy Advisory Group Meeting

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| Date: 10 April 2017 | Venue and Time | WFP FSL Office @ 2pm | |
| Chair: Alistair Short (FSL Cluster Coordinator) | Minutes | Ntando Mlobane | |
| <p>Agenda:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Objectives/ purpose of SAG 2. FSL planning matrix 3. Feedback on Cluster performance 4. SSHF allocation 5. Governance-mid-year elections, SAG, NGO coordinator, 6. AOB | | | |
| | Update | Action Points/Steps Forward | Responsible |
| Introductions | <p>The following attended:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Elijah Manyok (SAADO) 2. Lilian Mumbi (World Vision) 3. Alistair Short (FSL-C) 4. Emma Drew (OXFAM GB) 5. Ntando Mlobane (FSL-C) 6. Daniel Kusema (CMD) | | |
| 1. FSL planning matrix | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FSL Cluster system was shared with the SAG. The components of the system were explained in detail using a schematic diagram of the framework. • Request to add donors as part of the SAG. They can come in as observers and not as decision makers. Suggested donors are SDC, DFID, and WFP. • Resilience workshop to be held 23/24 th May (dates are still tentative). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ To engage and extend an invitation to SDC, DFID to be part of the SAG as observers, this will help gauge the expectations of donors and to get | Alistair |

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| <p>2. Feedback on Cluster performance</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update shared on the progress on the re-activation of TWGs, Cash, livestock, agriculture, Markets and Analysis. Could look at the need of also having a food working group. • Need to discuss how we can reduce on food assistance dependency and increase on livelihood innovation. • The FSL-C is currently establishing connection with the sub-national clusters. Currently 25 identified Subnational forums are in existence but the FSL-C currently has contacts for 10. • Need to explore the links with Food for the Future/USAID as an effort to reduce on food aid dependency and building reliance. • The 6 core functions of the cluster were shared with the committee. Coordination, Information management, needs assessments, Strategy, planning and Appeals, Quality, standards and capacity building and Advocacy. • Assessments have been taking place and the Cluster has seconded several partners to participate. The assessments have not been fully supported due to a shortage of capacity in the cluster and with the UN agencies. The FSL-C will be joined by a newly hired Programme Officer who will oversee and participate in the assessments. This envisaged to improve the current quality of the food security assessments. The position will be also take up some WFP/VAM responsibilities. • A lot can still be done on Advocacy. Current efforts include the use of platforms like the ICWG, Cluster meetings and the use of FSL-C products like monthly bulletins, Maps etc. OXFAM are keen to support the cluster on this. • Feedback on cluster performance- shared some of the key comments. The feedback includes the feedback from a questionnaire circulated amongst partners (15 INGO & 15 NNGO) and the visits to some of the partners in December (8 INGO & 7 NNGOs). The full feedback cannot be shared formally currently as it awaits clearance. | <p>also their perspectives.</p> <p>❖ To leverage on OXFAM advocacy mandate to push some key food security advocacy issues. Th e FSL-C to explore this further with OXFAM (Alistair and Emma)</p> | <p>Alistair & Emma</p> |
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| <p>3. SSHf allocation</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SSHf allocations, the key question is how much is going to the NNGOs, however from the analysis the current strategy and allocation made an effort to address that. A total of \$1600 000.00 from \$ 2 331 000.00 was allocated to NNGOs. This represents about 68.5 % of the allocated funding. 7 National NGOs out of the 10 selected NGOs were selected for allocation. • SAG felt there should be a once off 1 year funding which is timely done because the 2 allocations seem not to be very effective. The second allocation has not had much impact. 6 months is too short given the nature of the programming and operational context. | <p>To share with partners the schedule for the elections for the SAG, SRC and NGO Co-coordinator.</p> | <p>Alistair</p> |
| <p>4. Governance mid-year elections, SAG, NGO coordinator, SSHf</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SRC composition was agreed as follows. This is guided by the SSHf SOPs - 2 NNGO, 1NNGO, FAO, OCHA, and CCs (Proposed). Elections should be done as soon is possible. • The elected SRC has to oversee the SSHf and HRP. • SAG is responsible for the strategy development. • NGO Co-coordinator- Elections were last done in June last year 2016. • SAG Elections & NGO Co-coordinator should be done quickly. Can be announced in the next meeting. July 2017. Currently WVI is the NGO Chair and indicated that they currently have funding up to August and are almost at 90 percent at securing funding for another year. • NGO Co-coordinator. January. Elections can be in July 2017. If another agency is elected they will take up the position in January this will allow for continuity and smooth transition and also for the agency to secure funding. • SRC Elections to be done in May 2017. • SAG Elections can be done in May 2017. To include 2 donors. • All agencies part of the SAG should not be part of the SRC. • The agency seconding the NGO CC should not be part of the SAG but is eligible to apply for SSHf. | | |