

Cash and Market Working Group

Meeting 4th April 2022

The recording is available [here](#) ; the presentation is available [here](#)

Participation: 13 people as shown on Zoom, from: IRC, OCHA, Oxfam, CWW, Plan International, WVI, CaLP, FAO, CWG Afghanistan, CRS, USAID, gFSC

Agenda:

1. Update on Ukraine response
2. Update on Cash coordination caucus
3. Review ToR
4. Workplan
5. Election chairs CMWG
6. AOB

The meeting was chaired and organised by Corrie (CRS), Ruco (USAID) and Damien (gFSC)

Action from last meeting

Activity	status	PiC
Update on Cash coordination	Ongoing Completed on 4 April	CaLP/CMWG chairs
Update the workplan / collect inputs	Ongoing Completed on 4 April	CMWG chairs

Action points for this meeting

Activity	PiC
Cash coordination model: presentation to the FSC teams	Damien
ToR inputs: any additional inputs can be sent by Friday 15th April, COB.	CM WG members

1. Update on Ukraine – cash response

Charles (FSL-cluster co-coordinator) provided an overall presentation of the cash response in Ukraine. Juliet from OCHA – who was on surge to support the CWG – gave some additional inputs regarding the response.

The CWG was created in 2016; OCHA and ACTED have been the lead.

Charles indicated that the HC and HCT agreed that the MPC should be the preferred cash response in the 1st Flash Appeal. 2.6M USD was the target for the FSLC with 50% in cash but allocated to MPC. The cash value of the MPC – 74 USD – was aligned and agreed by the Ministry of Social protection. It covers 70% of the MEB.

The CWG has 4 task teams: 1) targeting, 2) delivery mechanism, 3) registration and 4) monitoring (more information on the fact sheet available [here](#)). The rationale for the modality is that MPC should be used whenever possible.

The live MPC response is available [here](#). On the map, it appears that the in-kind response is larger in the East while the cash response is stronger further West. Currently, there are 15 partners involved in the MPC. As of 31st March, 14 000 people received MPC.

Discussion

- Why the transfer value has increased?
 - a. The transfer value was based on the income gap. However, as many people don't get an income now, this needs to be revised.
- Is there any learning from this cash coordination model in Ukraine?
 - a. The model in Ukraine has not changed based the coordination arrangement at global level; it is a coincidence.
- What is the process to reconcile the figures between people who receive MPC and those who are targeted for the FSC?
 - a. There is no clear way to do this as MPC covers the food basket. The Post Distribution Monitoring will help to monitor the use of the cash. In the PDM, the outcome monitoring as developed in the Outcome Monitoring from the Grand Bargain will be used.

2. Update on Cash Coordination

Ruco provided an update about the endorsed model for cash coordination

Background:

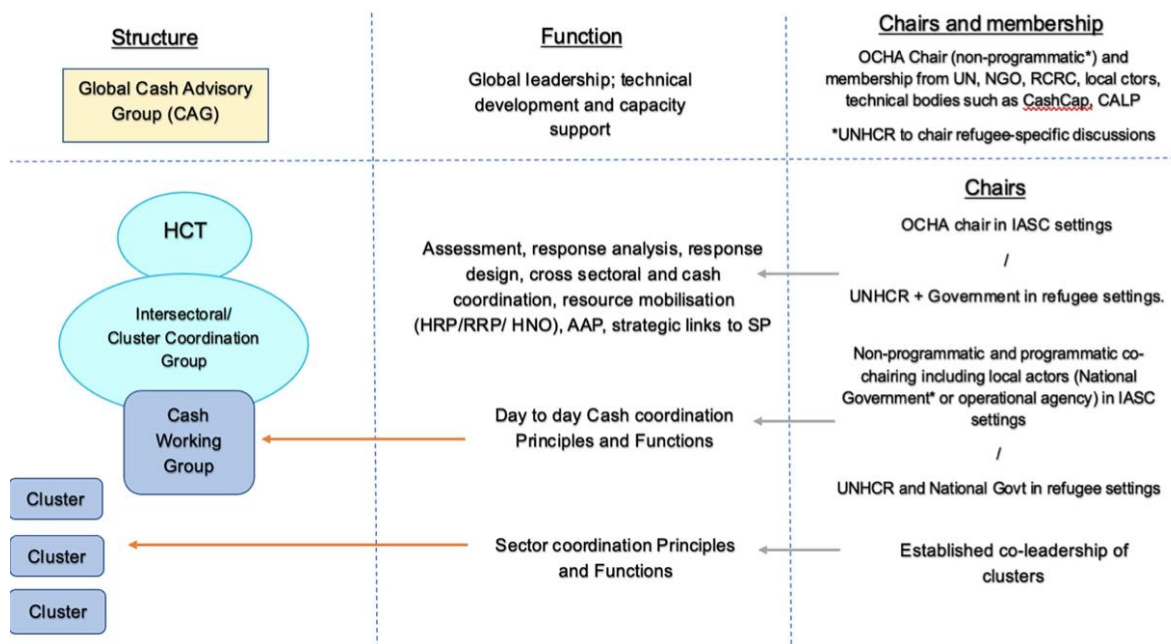
- Grand Bargain sub-workstream launched Cash Coordination Call for Action which was signed by 95 senior humanitarian leaders asking for “predictable and accountable cash coordination within the humanitarian architecture”.
- Grand Bargain 2.0 launched Cash Coordination Caucus which developed model.
- Cash Coordination Model presented to IASC and endorsed on March 28, 2022 ([link](#)).

Key elements of the model

- Determined core principles and functions of cash coordination
- Inter-sector/inter-cluster coordination (IS/ICCG) group is accountable for overall cash coordination, with tasks delegated to a formalized Cash Working Group

- At a global level, a Cash Advisory Group (CAG) will be established and chaired by OCHA (UNHCR will chair refugee coordination issues) to ensure adequate, predictable and timely capacity for cash and supports the development of tools/guidance/capacity for the coordinators.
- At country level, there should be a co-chairing model including both a programmatic and a non-programmatic chair, and that it should strive for one of the co-chairs to be a local actor.
- A basic staffing model, adaptable to the context, and principles for resourcing (cash coordination funding needs should be visible and transparent, with clear funding channel), including at the global level (surge, capacity development).

The **model** will look like this



Discussion and Questions/Answer

- The Cash and Market WG will continue. The new coordination model will not impact work of the CMWG
- The CMWG will establish linkage with the CAG
- There are still many details for the CAG to work on, especially on cash reporting

Action: Damien to present this new model to the country FSC

3. Review ToR

Following a discussion between the SAG and the WG chairs, it was agreed to review the ToR. The aim is to focus more on information sharing and technical support. The ToR was first reviewed by Corrie, Ruco and Damien and then it was shared to the members of the group. A few inputs/changes were made. The document is available [here](#).

Action: any additional inputs can be sent by Friday 15th April, COB. After this date, the ToR will be considered as final

4. Review workplan

A survey was shared earlier this year. Only 3 responses were received. A draft workplan was prepared based on these inputs. The Workplan is available [here](#). Funding may be available.

It was agreed to focus on the mapping the good practices in Anticipatory Action. CaLP mentioned that they are in process of reviewing the MEB guidance for each sector.

5. New chairs/election

As per the ToR, an election should take place after 2 year. Please submit your application if you are interested. We will accept only one application per organisation. If more than 2 persons/organisations, we will run an election. If there is no interest, the 2 current co-chairs will continue

We will send out vote on whether we want to elect new co-chairs during the next GPM in coming month.

6. AOB

- Ad hoc GPM meeting on impact of Ukraine conflict, tentative date on Wednesday 13th April at 2pm (Rome time)
- GPM meeting mid-May – early June – a survey was sent to global members