DAMASCUS-BASED NGO FORUM BRIEFING TO ISC

11/10/2021

Based on a survey with 85% response rate within the forum

**PRESENCE VS PARTICIPATION**
85% of INGOs are part of sectoral coordination system (Education & Protection 68%; WASH 55%; Food Security 50%)

**LEADERSHIP**
No leadership in any sector, 86% not having any leading role in Sub-WGs and WGs. 71% indicated willingness to step up efforts and lead.

**MISSING WS**
Lack of a reciprocated, consistent, complete and timely information sharing back to partners.

**STRUCTURAL CLARITY**
DINGOs are NOT proposing to change the architecture of coordination (i.e. clusters). Need for up-to-date overview coordination out of Damascus.
From where could we start tackling this together?

Engage in a dialogue with Dingos and OCHA to pin down the sectors and WGs that are highly relevant to Dingos’ response in Syria and decide on PILOTs, as soon as mapping is shared by OCHA.

Harmonise across sectors giving back to responders the full 4 Ws on a regular basis.
Thank you