

SAG Minutes of Meeting

A. Meeting Information

Date: 3rd June 2019

Location: Rome/Skype

Opening Time: 3pm

Closing Time: 4pm

Called By: SAG Group

Chaired by: Bruno Minjauw

B. Attendees

- Bruno Minjauw, gFSC
- Cyril Lekiefs, ACF
- Angela Hinrichs, FAO
- Carine Malardeau, IFRC
- Philippa Young, Oxfam
- Katie Rickard, REACH
- Elisa Persico, WFP
- Damien Joud, gFSC

C. Agenda

1. Update about the governance of the gFSC,
2. Cluster Coordinator in SAG
3. CCPM report,
4. Cluster coordinator's survey and development of recommendations,
5. Review of 18 applications
6. Global Report on Food Crises Responses and Prevention
7. Cash coordination in Zimbabwe

D. Points discussed and decisions taken

1. Update about the governance of the gFSC

FAO and WFP Senior Management Team and the gFSC SMT are in the process to review the Letter of Exchanges that was never signed. The main points for this agreement are:

- gFSC Staff will be seconded to WFP
- Special account to run the gFSC. Additionally, a budget will be designed for the 15 countries for the support team and surge team. This budget will be like a revolving funds where the gFSC budget will advance the funds to COs who will refund the cost of the FSC team – as done by the logistic cluster
- For these 15 countries, the functional supervision will be under the CLAs while the hierarchical supervision will be under the gFSC (TBC).

The Letter of Exchanges is under reviewed by SMT, HR and finance. The aim is to have this Letter of Exchanges signed by the new FAO-DG before the end of the year.

A few clarifications/questions:

- The FSC team in the field will have a WFP contract but seconded from NGO or FAO
- The gFSC might be in charge of the recruitment at global level; i.e. the CLAs will not be in charge of the recruitment at COs level. They might continue to have a right to veto but not in L3 situation.
- All these will need to be discussed with FAO/WFP management.

Action point: Carine to crosscheck with Shelter cluster regarding the dual management.

2. Cluster Coordinator in SAG

It was agreed that the Cluster Coordinator and Cluster Co-Coordinator would be included in the election of the SAG.

The IMO will not be included.

Action point: gFSC (Eleonora) to send the link to the Cluster coordinator and Cluster co-coordinator for the SAG election

3. CCPM report

The report has been delayed due to the surge mission of Eleonora to Burkina Faso.

Action point:

- 1) gFSC (Eleonora) to conduct the CCPM analysis by Friday 7th June;
- 2) gFSC to send it to SAG members for their review/approval;
- 3) use findings for the strategy

4. Cluster coordinator survey

The survey report should be finalised by the SAG members. The recommendations will be included immediately by the SAG members in the report as part of the conclusion.

Action point:

- The gFSC support team to write the report and then send it to the SAG by 14 June
- The document will be available on the FSC website. The link will be shared
Addition/changes to be made in track mode by SAG members

5. Review of the new applications for the gFSC

There are 63 members and 18 new membership requests are to be reviewed by SAG.

Action point: The gFSC (Walter) will prepare a table for the new applications. The SAG members will review and validate. Deadline is 1st July 2019 (next SAG meeting)

6. Global Report on Food Crises Responses and Prevention

FAO asked REACH (Katie) to participate for the new (2nd) report. Philippa (Oxfam) and REACH will represent the gFSC. Bruno and Valentina will also attend.

Action point: Bruno to write to Dominique for Katie and Philippa's participation

7. Cash coordination in Zimbabwe

ACF has raised an issue regarding the cash coordination in Zimbabwe as it is taking too much time to finalise the guidelines for the Multi-purpose cash grant, while the FSC partners are waiting for it to launch their responses.

As it is a MPCG, the FSC and its members are contributors of the guideline. It is not clear who leads it as the CWG coordinator. It was mentioned that members of clusters could take a more active role in the development of the guideline.

In case of any issue, ad hoc meeting should be organised.

Action point:

- gFSC to check with the CC what the blockages are; who is the lead agency of the CWG in order to push and when it is expected to get the MPCG guideline finalised
- Cyril to share the email and file it in a shared folder

Previous action points which were not discussed

Action point: we could write a project for the GFSC similar to the WASH example.

Action point: Cyril will attend the meeting on 4/5/6 June at ACF to see how WASH does it with field support team. Nutrition cluster does the same – not sure where funding comes from.