











# Global VZU Preparedness Partnership

## GPP Partner Agencies: Update on Activities – February 28, 2017

#### **Development of Documentation**

All public GPP documents are now available on the 'Agenda for Humanity' website, in the initiatives section - <a href="http://www.agendaforhumanity.org/initiatives/gpp">http://www.agendaforhumanity.org/initiatives/gpp</a>. Following on from the Operational Workshop last month, a 'Framework Document' was developed, providing a consolidation of current partners' recommendations into one shortened package; the purpose, governance, policy and process planning of the GPP. This framework has been submitted to the V20 Risk Focus Group for comment and recommendation at their March 10 meeting, and is planned to receive formal endorsement from the V20 Ministerial Group in April. The detailed technical proposal is in its final stages of completion, waiting only comments from the V20 Risk Group on the Framework Document, and final comments from partners. Secretariat TORs have been shared with partners for comment and the GPP Operations Manual has been structured and shared with all Workshop attendees.

#### **Donor contacts**

A donor outreach meeting was held to brainstorm next steps in resource mobilisation. A resulting donor briefing document has been created and shared with key donor partners. Current outreach plans include; bilateral meetings with likely donor states, two member states briefings in NYC and Geneva in late March, one donor state briefing in Washington DC, and an 'Open for Business' commencement event on May 22 prior to the Cancun GP on DRR.

#### **Partnerships**

Initiatives – A meeting was held with INFORM and CADRI to discuss links and the new INFORM country based planning. Organisations - Meetings were held with CARE Netherlands and CARE international to discuss the roles and responsibility of partnering. A meeting with GFDRR NYC was held, and with UNISDR Communications. Networks - A presentation on the GPP was delivered to multiple European based INGOs at the Voluntary Organisations in Cooperation in Emergencies (VOICE) DRR Working Group Meeting. VOICE is a network representing 85 European NGOS, and follow up conversations have been held. A presentation was given at 'Speakers Corner' at the Humanitarian Partnerships Network Week.

#### Meetings

A meeting was held with Barbados and Philippines to discuss the planning for the Framework Document to be submitted to the March 10 Risk Group. OCHA, UNDP, WFP and GPP met with the Vice Minister and NDRRMC Administrator, of the Office of Civil Defense of the Philippines and other representatives. OCHA, UNDP, WFP and GPP met with the Ambassador of Costa Rica. A core partner meeting was held on the 16<sup>th</sup> February to discuss Resource Mobilisation, a note is available from this meeting.

#### **Planned Meetings and Activities**

- 1. March 10 V20 Regional Meeting for Asia Pacific, includes Risk Group meeting. Manila. GPP submission of framework document and request for recommendation to V20 Ministerial for formal endorsement.
- 2. Late March Member States Briefing on GPP. Geneva and NYC.
- 3. April 23 V20 Ministerial Dialogue, Washington DC, GPP donor briefing event linked prior to.

- 4. May 22 Global Platform for DRR, Cancun. 'Open for Business' Commencement event planned at GP. Presentation of GPP at Side Event. Possibility to contribute to the Special Session on Enhancing Disaster Preparedness to be explored. Early Warning Event held prior to GP also.
- 5. June 2017 World Reconstruction Event. Brussels.

#### **GPP** management arrangements

**Staffing** – The contract of the junior consultant has been extended until the end of May, to cover the preparations for the GP in Cancun. Current planning includes advertising for Secretariat staff in March 2017, and bringing together of the Steering Committee by May 2017. Ad hoc technical meetings among all partners continue throughout as required. **Fund Management** – A Multi-Partner Trust Fund (MPTF) is to be established. The TORs are being developed based on the GPP proposal and framework documents, and MOUs will need to be signed with key implementing partners.

### **Proposed Timeline for GPP**

2017	March	Secretariat Recruiting Begins – Member State briefings
2017	April	SOPs for funding application finalised – tools and templates developed
2017	May	Operations Manual Finalised, Secretariat recruiting complete, Fund at \$ level required by budget, Official commencement of operations announcement at Cancun
2017	June	First National Applications able to be reviewed

