

GPP Partner Agencies: Update on Activities – February 28, 2018

All public GPP documents are available on the 'Agenda for Humanity' (A4H) website, in the initiatives section - <u>http://www.agendaforhumanity.org/initiatives/gpp</u>.

Documentation

The GPP country application and the prioritisation criteria documents are still open for consideration and comment. Suggestions are requested by the 16th of March 2018.

Meetings

The GPP Partnership Consultant met with a World Bank representative to discuss potential ways of incorporating the GFDRR Readiness to Respond (R2R) Rapid Diagnostic tool in the GPP diagnostic process. The review tools of core partners and others will be examined by core partners to determine how the GPP should support countries in their diagnostic processes.

The GPP secretariat had two meetings with GPP applicant countries to discuss the next steps after their successful application. The GPP Partnership Consultant met with representatives from Government Ministries of of Kiribati, and together with a representative of <u>the Capacity for Disaster Reduction Initiative (CADRI)</u> the GPP secretariat met to discuss the next steps for Ghana in terms of support for the diagnostic review. Exchanges were also had with Costa Rica on resource mobilisation options, and regional offices of partners supporting Burkina Faso.

The GPP Secretariat met with the director of the UNDP Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction team to discuss resource mobilization and internal corporate awareness of the GPP. A meeting was also held between the GPP Secretariat head of OCHA's Emergency Response Preparedness (ERP) Unit to discuss potential points of convergence between the work of the Unit and the GPP. As a follow up action, the GPP Partnership Consultant attended an ERP Review workshop in Geneva 26-27 February. The purpose of the workshop was to evaluate and agree on new ERP guidance. The GPP Partnership Consultant met with DFID to discuss potential links with the planned Centre for Global Disaster Protection.

Humanitarian Networks and Partnerships Week (HNPW) 2018

The GPP secretariat attended the Humanitarian Networks and Partnerships Week (HNPW) in the first week of February. Two key events organized by the GPP were <u>a panel discussion</u> titled "Breaking the Begging Bowl" on 8th February and a GPP <u>Operational Subcommittee meeting</u>, which was held 9th of February. On 7th February an 'Inter-Network Day' was held where the GPP partners hosted a full day series of discussions with conference participants on preparedness financing; examining good practice and possible original solutions to the financing gap. The panel discussion brought together DFID, OCHA and the Philippines to discuss options for improving finance for preparedness, and strengthening the preparedness of response and recovery finance. The Subcommittee meeting included an update from the World Bank regarding its support for the diagnostic reviews. Initially the World Bank will fund the diagnostic reviews in six countries; **Bhutan, Burkina Faso, Guatemala, Maldives, Nepal, and Sri Lanka**, and possibly four more; **Costa Rica, Ethiopia, Palestine, and Tunisia**. Other countries are encouraged to organize a meeting among the GPP focal points in Finance or Disaster Ministries or other relevant Ministries and with GPP core partner organisations discuss potential ways of funding the Diagnostic Reviews. The GPP secretariat continues to support these processes at the global level.

Note: A summary video of the Inter-Network day discussions is available online <u>here</u>. A detailed report of activities of the GPP secretariat at the 2018 HNPW is available on request and meeting minutes of the Subcommittee meeting will be published shortly on the GPP website.





Photos from the "Breaking the Begging Bowl" panel discussion. Panel from the left: Ambassador **H.E Evan P. Garcia** (Permanent Representative of the Republic of the Philippines to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva), **Marcy Vigoda** (Chief, Resource Mobilization Branch, OCHA), **Dylan Winder** (Senior Adviser Humanitarian and Protracted Crises/Counsellor, UK Mission to the UN) and **Matthew Serventy** GPP Partnership Consultant

Upcoming events

The GPP Partnership Consultant will be chairing a panel at the "<u>Preparing For Shock: Is Preparedness The New</u> <u>Frontier</u>?" a global conference in Geneva on 14th and 15th March hosted by the Disasters and Emergencies Preparedness Programme and supported by DFID.