

Update on the World Humanitarian Summit

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WHS 4 Pillars and Teams

Humanitarian Effectiveness	<i>WFP Member</i>
Reducing Vulnerability and Managing Risk	
Transformation through Innovation	<i>WFP Member</i>
Serving the Needs of People in Conflict	

Opportunities to influence the WHS process:

- ❖ Key WFP advocacy vehicle
- ❖ DED, WHS Coordinator and WHS Task Force
- ❖ Key messages
- ❖ WHS Secretariat Synthesis Report
- ❖ SG's report

WFP Key Messages:

Circulated	In Progress
Thematic Brief	WHS Visioning Paper
Humanitarian Effectiveness	
Reducing Vulnerability and Risk	
Innovation	
Serving People Affected by Conflict	
Emergency Preparedness	
Good Humanitarian Donorship	

Regional Consultations and Steering Groups

Complete

1. West & Central Africa, June 2014 **RD**
2. North and South-East Asia, July 2014 **RD**
3. Eastern & Southern Africa, October 2014 **DED, WFP on RSG**
4. Europe and Others Group, February 2015 **DED**
5. Middle East and North Africa, March 2015 **REC**

Upcoming

5. Latin America and the Caribbean, 3-5 May 2015 **RD, WFP on RSG**
6. Pacific Region, 30 June-2 July **ED**
7. South and Central Asia, TBD 2015 **WFP on RSG, ED**
8. Global Consultation, October 2015 **ED, DED**

Europe consultation crystalized following issues:

- Firm commitment to upholding the **humanitarian principles**
- Primary **responsibility of governments** to protect populations
- Importance of **differentiated approach** according to context (conflict, protracted, slow- or rapid-onset)
- Better alignment of development and humanitarian aid to support **resilience**
- Importance of **inter-operability** between different systems and actors
- Emphasis on support to local, national response and support to **capacity building**

MENA consultation crystallized following issues:

- Making **affected people** the primary agents of response and closing the gender gap
- **Localizing** humanitarian response
- Tackling recurrent and **protracted crises** in a coherent way
- Reinforcing humanitarian action in **conflict**
- Adapting the humanitarian system and **finance** to the new generation of crisis
- Getting ready for future crises: the right environment and investment for **innovation**

WFP Cross-Cutting Objectives:

- ❖ Ensure mutually reinforcing outcomes:
 - Sendai 3rd World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction
 - Addis 3rd International Conference on Financing for Development
 - Post-2015
 - UN Climate Change Conference
 - World Humanitarian Summit

- ❖ Improved coherence between humanitarian and development frameworks

- ❖ More emphasis on the needs of vulnerable and crisis-affected populations in government development policy

- ❖ Less reliance on humanitarian actors as fallback option in difficult or protracted crises

- ❖ More predictable and sustainable financing solutions to protracted crisis

WFP Visioning Paper

Humanitarian Effectiveness

- ❖ Preserving the system established by GA res 46/182 but identifying areas of transformation
- ❖ Predictability and flexibility of funding
- ❖ Evolving service clusters to a predictable and rapidly deployable common service platform

Reducing Vulnerability and Managing Risk

- ❖ Resilience as the inherent link between humanitarian response and development
- ❖ Investing in DRR and national emergency preparedness and response capacity

Transformation through Innovation

- ❖ The One Card Common digital platform
- ❖ WFP-led innovations which can benefit the humanitarian system at large

Serving the Needs of People in Conflict

- ❖ Access and security constraints in complex emergencies
- ❖ Reaffirmation of the humanitarian principles and of the centrality of protection in humanitarian action

WFP Desired Outcomes:

- ❖ A mutual commitment to safeguard **principled humanitarian action**, **protect** civilians in conflict and allow affected populations to **access** assistance.
- ❖ An overhaul of the **financing architecture** to overcome the divide between humanitarian action and development. New mechanisms devised to mobilize resources more predictably, and over a longer time frame. Such funding mechanisms would promote more effective support to governments and local responders in preparedness, emergency response, resilience building, and response to protracted crises.
- ❖ **Humanitarian leadership** must be competent, legitimate and accountable, drawn from relevant humanitarian backgrounds, while **coordination structures** must be flexible, inclusive and concentrated on the operational level and actors.

Upcoming Opportunities:

- ❖ 21-23 April—second Face-to-Face Meeting of the Thematic Teams
- ❖ 30 June—inputs into WHS Synthesis Report
- ❖ October—Global Consultation, Geneva

Questions for discussion:

- ❖ Opportunities for bold positioning—managing expectations
- ❖ A Summit for stating platitudes or for making transformational change?
- ❖ In what areas is change to the humanitarian system most important for WFP and the EB?