Immediate Response Account
WFP’s immediate, life-saving, and last-resort funding mechanism

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Today’s Agenda

1. The IRA amidst a time of unprecedented needs
2. IRA evidence, challenges, and impact: operational case studies
3. The IRA in the context of WFP’s financial architecture
4. The revitalized IRA
5. EB Member perspectives; Questions and Answers
AFGHANISTAN

FOOD AND NUTRITION ASSISTANCE TO MILLIONS OF PEOPLE ON THE EDGE OF HUNGER
A time of unprecedented needs
Use of the IRA in 2021

IRA allocations in 2021 totaled US$ 218.5 million across 49 Country Strategic Plans.

Over US$ 67 million direct contributions to the IRA

Top donors in 2021: Belgium, Switzerland, USA and Germany

TOP IRA ALLOCATIONS 2021 (US$ MILLIONS)

Afghanistan 49
Nigeria 34
Yemen 28
Mozambique 27
Ethiopia 22
Madagascar 16

Mozambique. WFP Food distribution. 2021
345 MILLION people are estimated to be acutely food insecure or at high risk across 82 countries with WFP operational presence and where data is available.

152 MILLION people are targeted to receive WFP assistance in 2022 – a record high, and significant increase from the 128 million people who received assistance in 2021.

US$ 22.2 BILLION projected operational requirements for 2022 – an all-time high, mostly due to massive corporate scale-ups in Ukraine and Afghanistan.
OPERATIONS OF CORPORATE CONCERN

Latin America & the Caribbean
- Colombia
- Haiti
- Cuba
- Nicaragua
- Venezuela

Middle East, North Africa & Eastern Europe
- Ukraine
- Lebanon
- Syria
- Yemen
- Iraq
- Jordan
- Palestine
- Tunisia

Western Africa
- Burkina Faso
- CAR
- Chad
- Mali
- Niger
- Nigeria
- Benin
- Cameroon

East & the Pacific
- Afghanistan
- Kyrgyzstan
- Myanmar
- Pakistan
- Sri Lanka
- Tajikistan

Eastern Africa
- Ethiopia
- Kenya
- Somalia
- South Sudan
- Sudan
- Uganda

Southern Africa
- DRC
- Madagascar
- Mozambique
- Angola
- Malawi
- Zimbabwe

Corporate Scale-Up

Corporate Attention

Early Action and Emergency Response
Evidence, challenges, and impact: operational case studies from the IRA in Afghanistan, DRC, and Somalia
The IRA in the context of WFP’s financial architecture
The revitalized IRA
The Revitalized IRA

- **Immediately available** to save lives and prevent famine
- ‘**Last resort’** source of funding for emergencies
- **Expanded criteria**, covering preparedness, early (anticipatory) actions and relief
- **Renewed focus on funding continuity** – direct and revolvement
- **Empowered Field Leadership** – decisions made closest to operations
What is the minimum need?
To financially sustain the IRA on an annual basis

Growing Demand

Minimum Need
US$ 220 million

vs.
2021 Actuals

Gov. Donors
> US$ 100m

(US$ 43M)

Gov. Donors
US$ 64m

Individuals
> US$ 10m

Individuals
US$ 3m

US$ 70.4m
revolved

US$ 110m
revolved

REVOLVEMENT TARGET

US$ 39.6m

REVOLVEMENT
TARGET

US$ 10m

Gov. Donors

SHORTFALL IN NEW INCOME TARGET

SHORTFALL IN REVOLVEMENT TARGET

> US$ 100m

> US$ 240m
in 2022
> US$ 220m
in 2021
> US$ 185m
in 2020

US$ 110m
revolved

VS.
REVOLVEMENT 
TARGET 
+

FUNDRAISING TARGET FOR NEW INCOME

US$ 64m

US$ 39.6m

US$ 3m

US$ 100m

US$ 10m

US$ 10m
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Thank you!

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