Update on the Global Assurance Project

2024 Annual Session

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ED Circular: Global Assurance Framework

Standard One
WFP consults with and listens to the people it assists and respects their privacy

Standard Two
WFP knows who is being assisted, and at the end of every cycle, who did and did not receive their assistance

Standard Three
WFP knows that its in-kind assistance is safe and where it is – from origin to distribution

Standard Four
WFP maintains operational independence

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People at the centre:
Assurance is the concern of WFP's entire workforce, its cooperating partners and vendors

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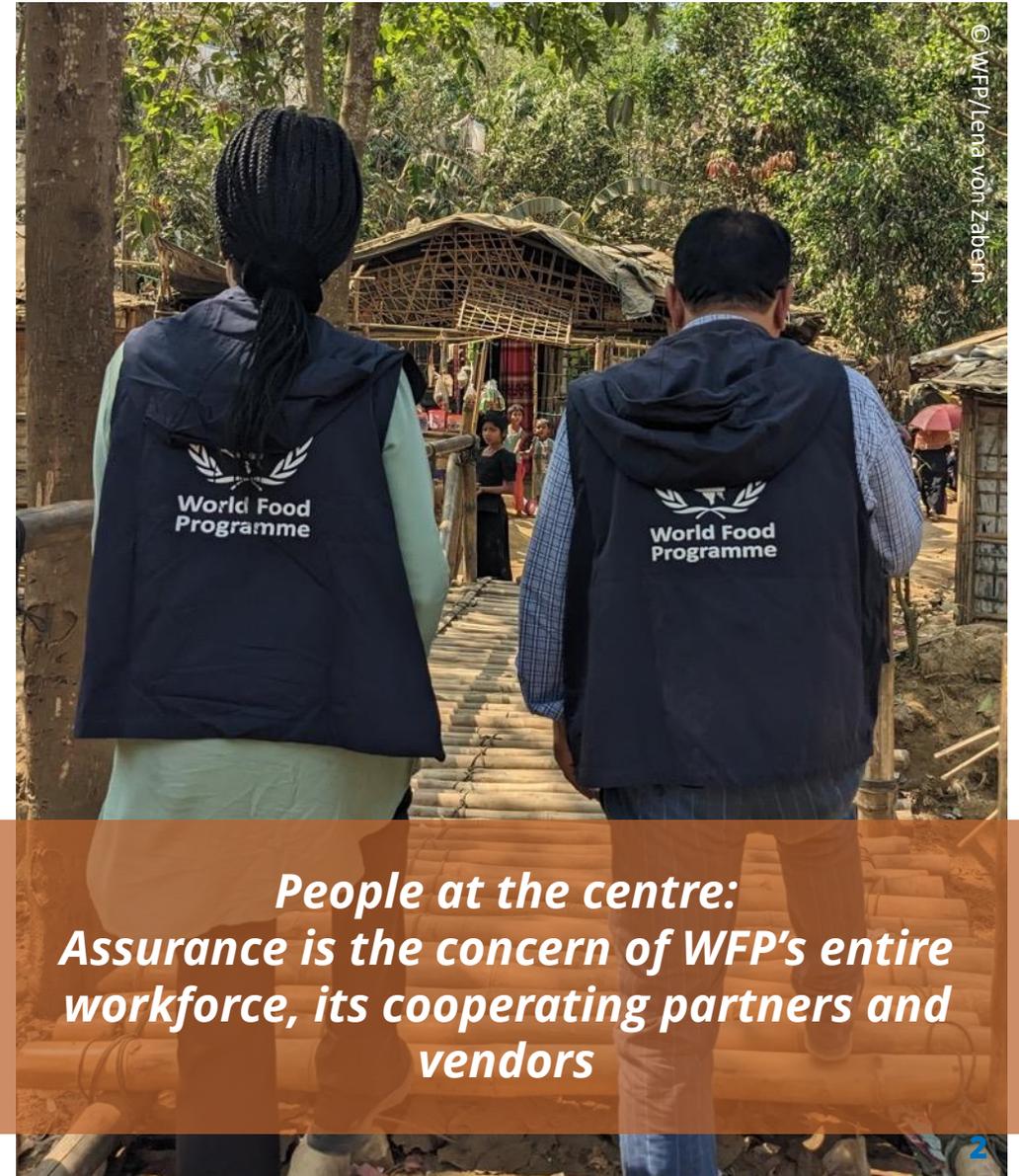
Overview of the Global Assurance Project

Outcome | To ensure that assistance goes to the right people, always, everywhere

Main Components

Global Assurance Framework	Focus Area Enhancements	HRCO Augmented Assurance Plans

Incremental implementation of measures in HRCOs

Implementation to Date

2023

Task Force established & HRCOs identified

IDM learning lab

HRCOs start implementation

HRCOs complete fraud risk assessments

Corporate guidance updated

1Q — 2Q — 3Q — 4Q — 2024 — 1Q — 2Q

June EB
OIG Report & Mgmt Review of significant risk and control issues

Informal Consultation

Nov EB

Feb EB

CD/DCD Induction

June EB
GAP Update
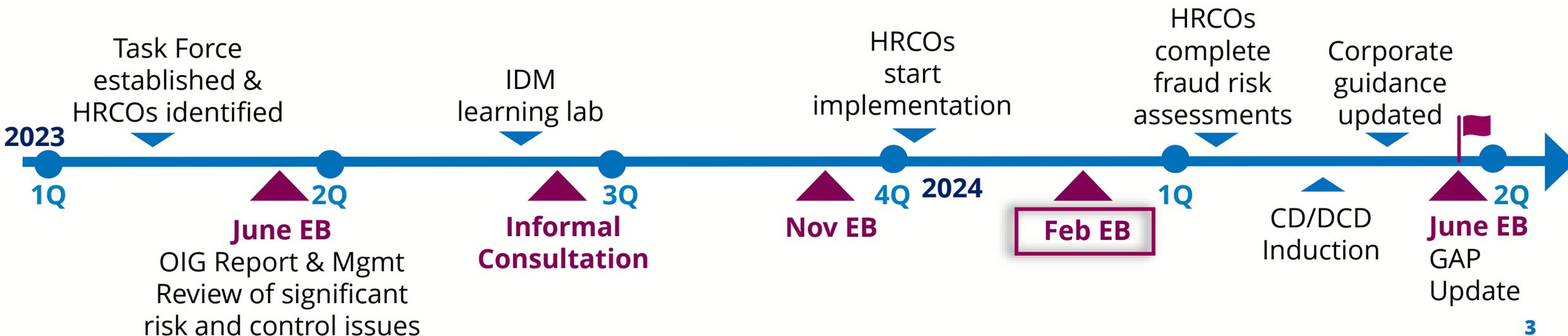
Overview of Country Office Implementation

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- All 31 High-Risk Country Office plans in progress

- **Average implementation 40%**
  Implementation varies with cont**ext**

- Current implementation cost: **USD 115 million***
  Average recurring cost is **1.2%** of operational cost**

*Excludes Ethiopia
**Operational Cost = Transfer + Implementation Cost

Overview of Augmented Assurance Implementation (I/II)

Targeting

- Strategic evaluation launched
- Revamped targeting strategies and modalities; VBT supported in 13+ Country Offices
- Verification exercises revisited and expanded

Afghanistan

Syria

- Acceptance by community, government and cooperating partners
- Security

Monitoring

- ED Circular MMR and CFM Standards
- Cost simulation tool
- Roll-out of multi-layered approach
- Remote monitoring roll-out

Mali

Ethiopia

- Risk-based approach
- Greater outreach and coverage

Community Feedback Mechanisms

- Strengthened CFMs in 9 Country Offices
- Integrated escalation tool (monitoring and CFM), standardized and rolled out in 6 Country Offices

Nigeria

Haiti

- Staff Capacity
- System harmonization results in time-saving

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Overview of Augmented Assurance Implementation (II/II)

Commodity Management

- L.E.S.S Last Mile App in 26 Country Offices
- 3rd party inventory checks completed in 4 Country Offices
- Video surveillance

Uganda

- Supply/Demand for technical expertise
- Security and accessibility

Identity Management

- ED Circular Identity Management
- Flexible digital solutions
- Global Reconciliation Service established; 14 Country Offices assessed

Jordan/Syria

Bangladesh

- System updates and flexibility for different contexts
- In-kind rollout

Cooperating Partner Management

- Business Process Mapping / RACI
- Partner Connect adopted in 17 Country Offices
- Increased spot checks, capacity assessments and training

DRC

Ethiopia

- Outsourcing of spot-checks and assessments
- Increased segregation of partnership roles

Strategic Issues

- Prioritizing roll-out of corporate enhancements

- Balancing assurance and cost

- Modular systems and processes

- Systems integration

- Learning and knowledge management

Thank You