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WALK the PROTECTION TALK Lunch Meeting on Protection

Thursday, 3rd October 2019, lunch meeting 12.45 – 13.45 Aula Delegatis, WFP Headquarters



Switzerland and WFP's Programmes and Policy Division are pleased to invite you to a lunchtime event focussed on Protection. Protecting affected people by contributing to their safety, dignity and integrity is an essential foundation upon which communities can re-establish their livelihoods and strengthen their resilience to future crises. With a WFP Protection Strategy now underway, this event is designed to acquaint participants with protection-related topics and open the space for an informal conversation on how they relate to WFP's operations.

Its content will first feature Accountability to Affected Populations, or AAP, and the Complaints and Feedback Mechanisms (CFMs) that are placed at the disposal of beneficiaries. **Charlotte Lancaster** will discuss how language is a lesser-explored driver of vulnerability and how it can be addressed in CFMs. She will also present the challenges of balancing the power between financial service providers and cash recipients in CBT programming.

In a second section, **Anne-Laure Duval** and **Magdalena Lesjak** will provide their insights from field consultations, including a listening process conducted with WFP beneficiaries in Bangladesh and El Salvador. They reviewed two distinct contexts, the first being an acute humanitarian emergency with likelihood of becoming protracted, the second a drawn-out security crisis. These demand very different approaches to tailoring effective Protection-related responses. A summative part of this section will be to illustrate how a sense of ownership for 'protection as core' is being built in WFP and how this is being translated into a theory of change, which is underpinned by a vision, objectives and outcomes.

Panellists

- Samir Wanmali, Deputy Director of Programme and Policy, WFP
- Charlotte Lancaster, Advisor AAP, WFP
- Anne-Laure Duval, Team Leader Protection, WFP
- Magdalena Lesjak, Senior Protection Advisor, WFP

A complimentary lunch will be offered for all participants as of 12.30 or the end of the morning session of informal board consultations.