

Participants

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1. Introduction and welcome to Ben Siddle, incoming Co-Facilitator of the SDN

The Chair (CC) welcomed all to the meeting and briefly reviewed the agenda. CC and Maren Lieberum introduced Ben Siddle, IrishAid’s Policy Lead on Nutrition and incoming Co-Facilitator of the Donor Network. In his introduction, Ben noted that his work on the nutrition portfolio of IrishAid’s Resilience Team spans the coordination of technical assistance for country programming and policy development. Members welcomed Ben and said they looked forward to working together in the coming months. Ben will support Maren Lieberum (Facilitator) and Anne Peniston (Co-Facilitator) of the SUN Donor Network.

2. Summary SUNGG15 Government Network Meetings from the afternoon of 20 October

The purpose of the SUN Government Network Session was to provide a space for dialogue among the Government representatives from SUN Countries on their contributions to the Movement and how the Movement will support their efforts to realize all of the Movement’s Strategic Objectives.

The four questions that were provided to stimulate roundtable discussions were the same for the other Networks:

1. What are your ambitions with regard to the Strategic Objectives?
2. What is your role and contribution to achieve your ambition for 2020?
3. What do you expect from the Movement to achieve the indicative targets and your ambition by 2020?
4. How will you measure your progress towards these indicative targets?

General Feedback

There was a general request for more guidance, more technical expertise, more sharing and learning.

Political Commitment and Strong leadership

- High-level political commitment in country is critical and needs to be sustained even in context of political change. This can be achieved by including nutrition into the structure of the Government.
- National Nutrition Action Plan needs to be mainstreamed into the National Development plans to have increased visibility, budget, ownership and prioritize the issue.
- To spur action at community level, strong leadership is required to have clear engagement with local communities.

- Nutrition champions can be identified at high-level and at local level and building the capacity of parliamentarians to enable them to be nutrition champions is a start.
- Participants expressed the need for advocacy at a high level from fellow members of the Movement at the national and global levels to keep nutrition as a priority on the agenda and the support to ensure legal frameworks are in place.

Strengthen coordination

- There is still the need to strengthen coordination of the different actors, which can be done by improving the functioning of the multi-stakeholder platforms.
- Policies for conflict of interest (CoI) need to be unpacked and defined in the context of the country to have more clarity on whom is it addressed for, the roles and responsibilities and how to address potential CoI.

Build Capacities

- Participants identified the need to have quality National Nutrition plans and requested the need to have capacity building for developing and costing the plans.
- Strategic plans need to be translated into actions and effectively implemented.
- The need to have reliable methodologies for calculating costs and budgeting, including public and private sectors was raised.

Resource Mobilization

- In terms of human, capacity, and financial – it is essential to look at what is available and what can be used, and then identify what can be additionally requested.
- Members of the Movement can support SUN Governments to effectively utilize the resources and mobilize additional resources.

Peer to Peer Exchange

- The need to facilitate sharing of information and cross-learning amongst SUN Countries (e.g. learning routes) was expressed.
- SUN Countries with increased experience can mentor and support other Countries in the Movement requesting assistance.
- SUN Countries need to be better informed of the different global initiatives and clear definition on how each is linked to the other.

Measure Progress

- Participants were in agreement that the SUN Countries commitments need to be linked to global commitments, appreciating the in-country situation and the established baseline.
- Existing monitoring and evaluation systems in SUN Countries need to be strengthened and aligned with the common results framework.
- There needs to be guidance on how to measure the impact of actions for climate change, social protection, and gender for nutrition.
- The monitoring and evaluation systems need to be decentralized to measure impact at the local level.
- One of the main concerns raised by the participants was the lack of reliable data and how to address the data gap.

Feedback on Strategic Objectives and their related Indicative Targets as listed in the draft Strategy of the SUN Movement 2016-2020

There was overall consensus that it is important for country-level commitments to be aligned to the global commitments, and the need for the different stakeholders in the Movement to be in alignment with the country-identified commitments.

The indicative targets need to be SMART and based on the countries' situation, level of progress and baseline levels that have already been established. Countries are keen to have commitments and targets and report on it. At the same time, it is important for them to stress the point that global indicators and targets are available for everyone to adopt, but how well they integrated into their own agenda and how the other actors in countries also align themselves in supporting the countries and achieving those commitments is what is important for the countries.

Remarks from Network Facilitators during the call:

- The SUN Movement Secretariat and the Networks need to work closer together to avoid having parallel communication mechanisms with the countries.
- Further consideration is required as to how the SUN Networks can contribute to monitoring, developing and measuring impact of the Common Results Frameworks.
- Priorities must be fully articulated to be able to be translated into concrete actions.
- Important for all stakeholders of the Movement to understand the coordination and link between the global, regional and country level, and the benefit of information flows between countries and regions.
- Establishing country targets and supporting the monitoring is key.
- Practical guides for policy and programme should be shared broadly and considered in SUN 2.0. For example, the WHO tool [*Improving nutrition outcomes with better water, sanitation and hygiene: Practical solutions for policy and programmes*](#) helps countries track their progress towards the achievement of the World Health Assembly's six nutrition targets.
- Political commitment needs to come from all levels of the Movement to re-inject political oxygen at a critical moment where the agenda might be flagging at a given country. A joint strategy to coordinate these efforts should be considered.

3. Next steps to finalising the Roadmap of the SUN Movement Strategy 2016-2020: Expectations and Timeframes to be considered by Networks

Since September 2015, the SUN Movement Secretariat has been working with the SUN Movement Executive Committee to guide the process for the finalisation of the Roadmap of the SUN Movement Strategy 2016-2020. These actions are centered around what is needed by stakeholders in the SUN Movement to achieve the Movement's strategic objectives and to strengthen key capabilities which will help translate the momentum garnered to date, into results. These include:

1. **Policy Management Cycle:** Policy development, planning, implementation and monitoring
2. **Advocacy, mobilisation and communication** that encourages decision-makers to make commitments for improved nutrition, to act on them and to ensure they are realized
3. **Coordination of relevant action** across sectors, among stakeholders and between levels of government
4. **Ensuring that the Movement offers maximum value** to those who engage within it

The development of the Roadmap of the SUN Movement Strategy 2016-2020 is the responsibility of all those in the SUN Movement. The Secretariat is consulting with the Chair of the Executive Committee and Coordinator to agree upon the most appropriate process and will get back to Network Facilitators as soon as possible. The proposed process includes bringing together experts and Network Facilitators in informal working groups around key capabilities. Network will then be expected to develop work plans to articulate their commitment and contributions towards the outcomes of these capabilities. Networks will be asked to define their individual contributions, including resources. Network Facilitators will be invited to meet face-to-face in February. The aim is to have a finalized Roadmap for the Lead Group in April.

Remarks from Network Facilitators during the call:

- Clarity on the timeline and next steps is welcome as soon as it becomes available.
- Further clarity on how the theory of change will be addressed in the Roadmap of the SUN Movement Strategy 2016-2020 is welcome.

4. A.O.B

- A piece of work to map the different funding sources for external nutrition-specific and –sensitive programming in countries will be undertaking to contribute to Strategic Objective 4 in the renewed Strategy of the SUN Movement. Additional details soon to come.
- A Doodle link will be sent around to reschedule the next meeting of the SUN Network Facilitators, as it conflicts with others events taking place that week.
- The 2015 Progress Report is available in [English](#), [French](#), [Spanish](#), [Russian](#), and [Portuguese](#) is available.
- The United Nations Global Nutrition Agenda is now available in French [Add hyperlink before posting]
- SUN Movement En-net forum is soon to be launched: The goal for this piece of work is that it creates a space for dialogue, increases engagement in thematic priorities of the SUN Movement, provides a space for desk support to countries, helps to further define priorities and eventually shapes SUN Movement activities – such as learning exchanges.
- Update from the [2015 UN Forum on Business and Human Rights](#)
- Upcoming meetings:
 - The SUN Business Network is organizing an Asia Workshop in Jakarta 3-4 December 2015.
 - The International Coalition on Advocacy for Nutrition (ICAN) will host a face-to-face meeting in London at the beginning of December 2015.
 - The SUN Donor Network Retreat is scheduled for 15-16 December, the aim of which is to develop a work plan and draft strategy for the SDN for the period of 2016 – 2020.