

## ***Informal Working Group Col***

- ***Teleconference notes: Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> of February***

### **Participants:**

- Organiser: Breda Gavin-Smith, Consultant on Col for the SUN Movement
- Joyce Njoro, REACH
- Christophe Stueckelberger, Globethics
- Divya Mehra, WFP
- Sabrina Ionata, Consultant/WHO
- Anne Peniston, USAID
- Elizabeth Bontrager, USAID
- Claire Blanchard, CSN
- Sergio Teixeira and Fanny Granchamp (SUN Movement Secretariat)

(Apologies from Allison O'Neill, Global Fund; Lina Mahy, WHO; Ninik, UNICEF Indonesia; and Kristina Spiegel, SBN)

### **1. Introduction**

The call was introduced by Breda detailing the layout and providing the context. This included an overview of the previous work undertaken by the Movement on Conflict of Interest (Col) and the continuation of the work through the Roadmap.

There is a recognition in the Movement that following the two year process which lead to the development of the Reference Note and Toolkit on preventing and managing Col, efforts now need to focus on supporting countries requesting advice on an issue which assumes different dimensions in varying contexts and to support a Movement wide response to Col. There was a confirmation that this reflects the outputs in the SUN Movement Strategy & Roadmap 2016-2020, which include:

1. Develop an ethical framework for the SUN Movement.
2. Prioritize the development of capacity strengthening at country level.
3. Document work and case studies on Col and make them widely available.
4. Identify organisations and resources with capacity to support countries seeking support on Col. Ideally such supports should be identified at a country level.

### **Decisions:**

- The above should provide a focus for the group.

### **2. Purpose of group**

Breda then summarized the purpose of having an informal group which included creating a space for Col to be discussed, to share knowledge, share information, develop new ideas, identify and provide resources and support as a collective group that subsequently will support the outputs of the Roadmap.

All colleagues on the call were then given an opportunity to introduce themselves and their and/or their organization's interest in Col:

- Civil Society: are updating *Enabling Good Governance in Civil Society Alliances*.
- Globethics: are developing specific modules for Col training
- WHO: Western Pacific Region Regional Action Plan have a mandate to support work on Col and are developing guidance documents on Col.
- WFP: currently provides individual guidance and advice on financial disclosure but does not currently provide country support.
- SBN: they have been receiving requests from countries on Col support. To date SBN have developed responses on their own and countries interested include Mozambique and Zambia.

**Decision:**

- All participants confirmed their interest in participating in the informal working group going forward

**3. Next Steps**

Topic	Action	Deadline
Colleagues keen to have simple ToRs for the group to ensure the purpose and outputs of the group are clear and reflect what is included in the Roadmap.	Breda to draft and circulate to group	Before next group call
Group requested that consideration be given to developing a mechanism to share information and documents discussed on the call.	Breda to discuss with SMS	Update on next teleconference
Country requests mentioned on the call regarding Col should be channeled and communicated through the group to support efficient and timely responses.	Sergio to discuss the current process for managing requests for support in the SMS to ensure Col requests are channeled in a timely manner	Next teleconference
To support the groups role as an active working group sharing information and resources on Col each call should aim to have at least 1/2 colleagues providing an update/sharing information/news on Col.	Breda to follow up with Allison, Global Fund; Ninik, UNICEF Indonesia and/or Christophe GlobEthics as potential presenters on the next call regarding ongoing work on Col that may be relevant to the working group.	Update on next teleconference

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