

SUN Movement Executive Committee Call 8 April 2020, 14:30-15:45 CET, Webex Summary Notes

Participation

Participants: Meera Shekar (Chair), Tumaini Mikindo (Vice-Chair), Rob Bertram, Azucena Dayanghirang, Cecilia Gamboa, Lawrence Haddad, Abdoulaye Ka, Uma Koirala, Lauren Landis, Anna Lartey, Asma Lateef, Jo Moir, Felix Phiri, Kiran Rupakhetee, Aslam Shaheen, Tatjana von Steiger, Shawn Baker (ex-officio), Gerda Verburg (ex-officio).

Apologies: Moin Karim (ex-officio), Gladys Mugambi, Fokko Wientjes

Observer: Melanie Bruns (SDN), Abigail Perry (SDN), Purnima Kashyap (UNN), Christopher Twiss (CSN), Emily Heneghan (SBN), Fatiha Terki (SBN), Wahab Moez (UNOPS), Yngvil Foss (UNOPS), Kyoko Okamura (WB), Renée de Jong (SMS), Maria Pizzini (SMS), Marlen Schuepbach (SMS)

Attending: Adam Leach (Facilitator – independent consultant), Jane Keylock (Facilitator – independent consultant)

Agenda

- 1. Welcome to new Executive Committee member Jo Moir and Closure of SR report
- 2. Discussion of any views and questions relating to the proposed way forward
- 3. Discussion and approval of the specific proposals for oversight and support for the proposed approach

Summary Note

1. Welcome to new Executive Committee member Jo Moir and Closure of SUN Strategic Review report

The Chair of the Executive Committee welcomed Jo Moir from DFID as new member of the Executive Committee, replacing Nicola Brennan.

At the beginning of April, the Strategic Review (SR) Team shared with the Executive Committee the final report from the review, 'Strategic Review of the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement, 2019–2020'. After translation the final report will be disseminated across the SUN Movement and uploaded to the SUN website.

Questions were raised in relation to how the consultation inputs of the Strategic Review will be incorporated and used. Executive Committee members highlighted the importance of considering feedback from all SUN stakeholders, including feedback from all networks. The suggestion was also made that raw data for the SR be requested from the SR team. This was discussed and all agreed that because of confidentiality issues related to raw data, this was not feasible. However, the Chair agreed that the facilitators will collate all of the other materials such as inputs/presentations at the Global Gathering from the networks and country focal points and share these with all.

The Executive Committee agreed to focus on moving forward. When developing recommendations on the strategic priorities for SUN 3.0, the Executive Committee will consider the Strategic Review report as

one input, together with the consultation feedback, the SUN Mid-Term Review, response to the MTR recommendations, and other relevant inputs from networks and country focal points.

Action points:

- (1) Facilitators, with support from SMS, to share all relevant inputs to the SR consultation from the Networks, SUN Government Focal Points regional discussions, and SMS with the Executive Committee. All of these materials will also be shared on the SUN website.
- (2) Facilitators to revise the Report on Findings from Consultation and remove Annexes and clarify that the Report includes input from all Networks.

2. Discussion of any views and questions relating to the proposed way forward

The Facilitator, Adam Leach, presented a revised proposal of the process to develop strategic priorities for SUN 3.0 for approval by the Lead Group in September 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a virtual process is considered as the only realistic way forward at this stage. Should an opportunity for a face-to-face meeting come up over coming months, it will be considered to still organise an in-person retreat.

The Facilitator underlined the process was an essential opportunity for the Executive Committee to reflect and discuss, and take responsibility for links to Networks, Government Focal Points, and SMS. The Facilitators will ensure an inclusive process and will rely on Executive Committee members' support for this.

Next steps include three key elements:

- 1. Small group discussions to generate strategic priorities and recommendations
- 2. Draft recommendations based on the discussions for further review and discussions by the Executive Committee
- 3. A concurrent process of one-to-one discussions with Executive Committee members and independent facilitators to complement the small group discussions.

The Facilitators will share three preparatory documents:

- 1. *Developing strategic priorities for SUN 3.0*: guiding principles for discussions, strategic propositions and guiding questions for the discussions on the four thematic areas 1) Country engagement; 2) Support structures and systems; 3) Governance; and 4) SUN scope and positioning
- 2. Guidance for session leads and note takers
- 3. *Schedule small group discussions*: 4 rounds of 3 small group discussions, each for 2 hours with shuffled groups of 7 Executive Committee members each. Following the meeting, the small groups discussions will now be held on four consecutive Wednesdays: 22 April, 29 April, 6 May, and 13 May.

(Please refer to the background materials shared by Adam Leach on 9 April for more details.)

The Executive Committee agreed on the proposed process and requested for background materials to be shared well ahead of the small group discussions. Members highlighted the importance of the Movement-wide consultation planned for June to receive inputs from SUN stakeholders on the strategic priorities developed by the Executive Committee. They also asked to clarify when and how Lead Group members will be consulted. A further detailed process timeline should now be developed.

Action points:

- (3) Facilitators to share background documents on the process to develop strategic priorities for SUN 3.0.
- (4) Facilitators to prepare detailed process timeline for April to September 2020, including consultations of SUN stakeholders and Lead Group members.

3. Discussion and approval of the specific proposals for oversight and support for the proposed approach

The Facilitator presented the proposal to expand the existing Executive Committee working group on the Strategic Review (Meera, Tumaini, Tatjana, Lawrence, Shawn) with three Government Focal Points on the ExCom and the SUN Coordinator. This expanded Executive Committee sub-group – the Strategy Working Group – will oversee and support the process of developing strategic priorities for SUN 3.0. Due to time constraints the Facilitators were asked to follow up after the call to confirm participation of the additional Focal Points.

Action point:

(5) Facilitators/Chair to follow up on confirming the participation of additional SUN Government Focal Points on the Executive Committee to join the ExCom Strategy Working Group.

In summing up, the Chair noted that the proposal presented for the way forward for the Executive Committee to develop strategic priorities for SUN 3.0 for approval by the Lead Group has been endorsed. She encouraged everyone to read background documents shared by the Facilitators, the SUN Strategic Review, consultation feedback as well as the SUN Mid-Term Review to prepare for the upcoming small group discussions.

The Chair thanked members for their active participation and closed the meeting.