Extended Workshop on Scaling Up Nutrition

A quick Summary

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Progress to date

- Diversity
- Specific actions and Nutrition
 Sensitive
- Intense, effective, active
- Results coming through

Summary conclusions

- Goals and Targets
 - An overall goal?
- Plans and resources
- Capacity to make it happen in Government, Civil Society, Business
- Communicating and transforming
- Engaging partners donors, foundations, businesses, banks
- Mobilizing investment for going to scale
- Measuring results and being accountable
- Sharing experience

Partnerships and multistakeholder action

- Implication of the private sector and developing public private partnerships
- Role of the private sector vis-à-vis concern about market led approaches
- Role of Civil Society: how to ensure that beneficiaries will be actively involved in governance systems;

Developing capacities

- Building the capacity of human resources at country level
- Need for nutrition advocacy and comprehensive communication strategy for sustaining high level commitment
- Retaining and motivating the staff, maintaining the quality of work

Funding and aid effectiveness

- Predictable funding for long term development
- How to coordinate own national resources with donor resources
- Strong government commitment: how can it trigger increased national funding?
- Presence of a national nutrition budget line and aligning the budget to needs
- Considering the economic crisis, should the SUN movement focus to safeguard and raise resources for nutrition and food security?

Nutrition sensitive development at all levels

- How to emphasize community based approaches; how will community ownership be there?
- Linking curative to multisectoral preventive responses
- In absence of good social protection programmes ,we might miss sections of the populations, so how do we bring this in?
- Poverty reduction papers and strategies have not always translated in good Food and Nutrition policies;
- Setting up robust nutrition councils is critical; this is a starting point (need to think out of the box); every stakeholder needs to recognize their roles at all levels.

Nutrition sensitive development at all levels (continued)

- Challenges in closing stunting gaps (indigenous populations, poor, women) and challenges for the preparation of a strategic plan at district level
- Sustaining political interest to keep multisectoral bodies functional
- Equity needs to be addressed: good situation analysis is needed and targeted implementation
- Continuity of public policy is important (state policies instead of government policies)

Tracking and showing results, <u>accountability</u>

- Tracking progress: are good multisectoral systems in place?
- How to ensure accountability across the sectors, how to plan jointly; how to be able to track and hold those accountable in their respective sectors?

Revise the ROAD MAP!