

SUN Movement Executive Committee Call

27 May 2021, 15:00-16:30 CEST, Zoom

Summary note

Participation

Participants: Meera Shekar (Chair), Tumaini Mikindo (Vice-Chair), Rob Bertram, Azucena Dayanghirang, Connell Foley, Cecilia Gamboa, Abdoulaye Ka, Asma Lateef, Jo Moir, Gladys Mugambi, Allison Oman, Felix Phiri, Kiran Rupakhetee, Fokko Wientjes, Shawn Baker (ex-officio), Gerda Verburg (ex-officio), Moin Karim (ex-officio), Helena Guarin (representing Marjeta Jager)

OPS Group co-chairs: Mathews Mhuru, Karima Mopic, Mohamedcheick Levrac, Mike Reddaway

Apologies: Nancy Aburto, Marjeta Jager, Lawrence Haddad

Observers: Anna Horner (WFP), Rebekah Pinto (USAID), Kyoko Okamura (WB), Marie Durling (WFP), Wahab Moez (UNOPS), Abigail Perry (FCDO), Stineke Oenema (UN Nutrition), Emily Henegan (SBN), Ritta Shine (SBN), Alexandra Newlands (CSN), Capucine Musard (SDN), SMS Strategic Management Team, SMS Country Liaison Team

Agenda

- Opening and welcome
 - o Decision on Ops Group proposal to extend the current Executive Committee until 30 September 2021
- SUN Country Updates
- SUN Movement Strategy Updates
 - o SUN OPS group update
 - o Functional Review update (closed session)

Decisions and follow up

- The current Executive Committee has agreed to the proposal to extend their mandate for a further 3 months until the end of September 2021
- ExCom members are invited to share their feedback on the recommendations by the OPS group by 1 June with the consultants.

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Opening and welcome

The chair opened the meeting and welcomed all participants.

Extension of the SUN Movement Executive Committee (ExCom) for 3 months

To ensure a smooth transition from the current ExCom to a refreshed ExCom as envisioned in the Ops Group's recommendations for the Lead Group, the Ops Group proposed a three-month extension of the current ExCom membership. This proposal was communicated in an email by the SMS on behalf of the

Ops Group Co-Chairs on 5 May 2021 with a request for non-objection. Following up on this request and in the absence of any objection, the extension proposal was adopted until the end of September 2021.

SUN Country Updates

Update on the Francophone African Roadmap for SUN 3.0 by Abdoulaye Ka

ExCom members shared their questions and ideas in support of the work of the countries in the region. The importance of innovative financing was highlighted while that SUN Countries are relying on building a strong MEAL and knowledge management system for cross country learning, especially on public private partnerships.

The time-intensive work to build policy coherence for nutrition, to incorporate nutrition in national development plans, climate change and disaster risk reduction strategies and to focus more on fragile and conflict affected states were highlighted. A regional approach to the UN FSS and N4G will be explored to ensure that the Nutrition for Growth event is best used to back up the policy commitments put forward in the Food Systems Summit with financial commitments to action.

Presentation by Dr. Felix Phiri on domestic funding for Nutrition in Malawi

Dr. Felix Phiri presented Malawi's approach to nutrition fundraising. The ExCom praised his work and held a short discussion based on the [presentation](#). This included shared concerns about the challenges to raise national funds for nutrition, the need for advocacy support, to make other programs nutrition-sensitive and to continue to champion implementation leadership. Nutrition budgets can be safeguarded during crises when nutrition is incorporated into national emergency plans. Lastly the focus on domestic resource mobilization was stressed.

Update from the Latin American and Caribbean region by Cecilia Gamboa

An update was provided about the regional high-level dialogues organized in relation to the Food System Summit and SUN 3.0 strategy by Costa Rica on 3 June 2021.

SUN Movement 3.0 strategy update

OPS Group update

The co-chairs of the OPS working groups presented their draft recommendations for the Lead Group ([presentation](#)). Questions and comments were raised about the position of the co-chairs of the new ExCom, how the transition process will take place, the need to establish effective success indicators, the need for behavior change in the SUN Movement towards a unified global support and governance system that is able to align behind country government nutrition priorities and policies, the need to build on previous recommendations regarding MEAL and KM, to ensure that the workload of the ExCom is manageable and the link between the ExCom and the SUN Movement Secretariat. The workload of the Ex-com in the current proposal seem very heavy. It was decided that ExCom members can share feedback in writing with the consultants until 1 June 2021.

Functional Review update (closed session)

Notes are confidential.

Closing of the meeting

The chair thanked all participants and closed the meeting.