

**IASC PSEA Coordinators Meeting**  
**09 July 2024**  
**14:00-15:30 (GVA/CET)**

**Meeting Summary**

**Agenda:**

- 1. Updates from the field**
- 2. Integration of PSEA into the Humanitarian Programme Cycle (HPC) — Needs Assessments**
  - Presentation of country example: Somalia
  - Q&A, Discussion
- 3. Update on the Mapping Exercise**
- 4. PSEA Information/Knowledge Management**
  - IASC Microsite and Country Dashboard
  - ReliefWeb PSEA Network Page – the example of Nigeria
- 5. AOB**

**1. Updates from the field**

PSEA Coordinators from 11 countries provided a monthly update on their activities, as well as the challenges they face in coordinating PSEA at the country level. Activities carried out by coordinators included the integration of PSEA indicators into MSNAs, the mainstreaming of PSEA in national government policy, continued strengthening of the PSEA network, and the finalisation of the PSEA Mapping Exercise. Activities planned for the coming months include training investigators from CSOs, awareness-raising activities, and training.

A key challenge was the Mapping Exercise, with coordinators picking up again on the challenges of carrying out the data collection with limited capacity. Other challenges include low levels of funding for PSEA activities, which in some cases were limiting the ability of coordinators to go on mission and to carry out trainings. Other countries mentioned MSNA-type surveys being carried out which revealed the difficulty community members felt in reporting PSEA allegations in their countries. Finally, legislative changes in-country and challenges engaging government agencies were also reported.

There was discussion between coordinators about merging PSEA and AAP Networks, as has recently taken place in Poland. Some coordinators saw the merger of these networks as a potentially positive impact, whereas others worried about the dilution of PSEA obligations if such a merger took place. A conversation at the global level between the PSEA and AAP secretariats was suggested to move forward, with topics for discussion including the potential risks of network mergers and the division of labour in merged networks.

**2. Integration of PSEA into the Humanitarian Programme Cycle (HPC) — Needs Assessments**

- **Presentation of country example: Somalia**

Ephraim Karanja, PSEA Coordinator for Somalia, gave a presentation on his experience including PSEA questions in REACH's MSNA for Somalia. He successfully included 5 PSEA questions into the APP section of this year's MSNA, three from 2023 and 2 new ones. He highlighted the value an MSNA can have for PSEA coordinators. The PSEA results constitute an important tool for his network to gain traction at the HCT/Heads of Agencies level, highlighting certain persistent gaps. He also underlined the importance of coordinators participating in the ICCG, so that they can influence inter-cluster processes precisely such as the MSNA, and to reach out directly to the in-country REACH team, so that they can understand the calendar for data collection and therefore arrange enumerator training in advance. Karanja raised this issue because the Somalia PSEA Network did not have time to train enumerators in 2024, however they had been well trained the year before. He underlined the need for tools and guidance on questions for PSEA coordinators to put into an MSNA.

- **Q&A, Discussion**

In complement to Karanja's presentation, the IASC PSEA team said that MSNA data collection takes place the early months of the second quarter, reiterating the importance of PSEA Coordinators being involved in discussions with REACH. This is something that coordinators have to push for proactively in the ICCG.

Coordinators need to be part of discussions to ensure their input is included in the MSNA. PSEA Coordinators need to proactively push for PSEA inclusion in MSNAs. However, this can be difficult as they are often working alone and cannot easily follow up with REACH. The IASC PSEA team reassured of their availability to support in case of challenges to include PSEA into an in-country MSNAs.

**Action Point:** Coordinators to reach out to in-country OCHA offices/REACH to contribute indicators, train enumerators/share referral paths as necessary, and use the MSNA results in the context of the HPC.

**Action Point:** IASC PSEA Team to circulate a draft guidance note on PSEA questions to include in MSNAs. Coordinators comment on this draft guidance note.

### **3. Mapping Exercise**

The lead consultant from UNICEF thanked all PSEA Coordinators for their efforts to complete the Mapping Exercise. She highlighted that submissions from 14 countries were still outstanding and gave an ultimate deadline of Monday, 15 July 2024, for data to be shared. Carmen emphasised the importance of meeting this final deadline, due to the short timeline for analysing the results and producing the dashboard. A point was raised by coordinators about the difficulty of collecting data during the summer-holiday period, as many focal points were absent. Timing remains a key challenge for the exercise: holding the Mapping Exercise earlier in the year has proven difficult in the past as most relevant data on the previous year had not yet been consolidated and rendered available at agency level. She clarified to coordinators that they could use relevant data collected before the mapping exercise in monitoring activities and recommended including the 18 core indicators in Monitoring and evaluation systems to facilitate this.

**Action Point:** Coordinators to submit their data before the final, ultimate deadline of Monday 15 July 2024.

### **4. PSEA Information/Knowledge Management**

- **IASC Microsite and Country Dashboard**

A presentation was made by the IASC PSEA Team on updates made to the IASC Microsite and Country Dashboard, following up on requests made by coordinators at the previous monthly meeting. Coordinator details have been updated, with action plans and other key documents (SOPs, ToRs, codes of conduct) being uploaded when provided by PSEA Coordinators. The Key Actions section of each country page will be updated alongside the 2023 Mapping Exercise results. Some coordinators still need to provide updated documents to be uploaded but can do so at their own convenience.

**Action Point:** Coordinators to reach out to the IASC PSEA Team to provide Action Plans and other documents to be added to the dashboard at a time of their convenience.

- **ReliefWeb PSEA Network Page**

The IASC PSEA team explained how country-level PSEA ReliefWeb pages are being linked to the IASC PSEA Country Dashboard pages. 16 countries currently have a PSEA-specific page on their country's ReliefWeb page, with coordinators encouraged to update their pages with current documents or create a new country page. Coordinators should contact their in-country OCHA office and IM capacity to create the ReliefWeb page.

**Action Point:** Coordinators liaise with their OCHA country office/their in-country IM capacity to create or update their PSEA ReliefWeb page.

## 5. AOB

In response to a request from coordinators at the June meeting, a calendar of events and deadlines for coordinators has been created. It will be shared along with this month's meeting minutes and presentation. Coordinators are invited to share events with the IASC PSEA Team that will be of interest at a global rather than a national level. These will then be added to the calendar. The introduction of a calendar received a positive reception in the meeting.

**Action Point:** The IASC PSEA Team to share the calendar with coordinators, that will suggest events that are relevant at a global level.

### Annex:

- Participants List

No	Name	Country
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