

Joint Technical Advisory Group and PSEA Coordinators Meeting
18 December 2024
14:00–15:30 (GVA/CET)

Meeting Summary

Agenda

1. Deep Dive on the SEA Risk Overview
2. Global PSEAH Championship Update
3. AOB:
 - Update on the IASC OSC PSEA Coordination Helpdesk
 - Update on the SEA RP Workstream
 - Echo from the WHO Stakeholder meeting

1. Deep Dive on the SEA Risk Overview

The newly launched SEARO Global Index covers 37 countries with Humanitarian Response Plans (HRPs/HNRPs) and flash appeals (an expansion from 33 countries through the Beta version). SEARO Global aims, inter alia, to identify high SEA risk humanitarian operations, create a shared evidence base for monitoring SEA risks, and highlight risk drivers and gaps. While the main SEARO model includes 37 countries with active humanitarian or flash appeals, the extended version encompasses 84 countries. This larger dataset provides greater flexibility in addressing emerging crises.

The SEA Risk Overview (SEARO) uses a combination of simple indicators derived from public indexes and more complex indicators that include multiple sub-indicators sourced from various organizations. It features a color-coded scoring system (scale of 1 to 9.9), making it easy for users to identify and analyze key drivers of risk per country, and areas for priority attention for collective PSEA programming. The upcoming SEARO subnational methodology, to be launched in 2025, will allow countries to create contextualised, country-level versions of the global index. This approach emphasizes the identification of specific risk factors within each country, categorizing subnational areas (such as provinces, regions, or municipalities) based on their risk levels, and enabling geographical comparisons of risks. The subnational SEARO applies the same analytical framework as the global version, but tailors it to better represent country-specific risk factors. It increases geographic resolution, moving from national-level data to province, district, or department-level, depending on data availability and quality. The methodology is already being piloted in Colombia and Afghanistan.

2. Updates from the PSEAH Global Championship

The WFP Executive Director had announced the extension of WFP's role as global PSEAH Champion through 2025. This provides an opportunity to continue, accelerate, and consolidate the work started in 2024. A Year 1 Report on the progress of the championship is currently being prepared and will be shared in due course.

WFP highlighted that the key priorities for the championship remain unchanged. These include the operationalization of a victim-centered approach, efforts to improve organizational culture through leadership commitment and partnerships, and capacity strengthening, particularly with the clusters/sectors. Updates on these three areas will be available in the upcoming report.

The e-learning course designed for NGOs and CSOs on the UN Implementing Partners Protocol constitutes a key deliverable, led by WFP in collaboration with the Implementing Partner Protocol Working Group, to be launched in 2025.

In mid-2024, A Global PSEA Advisory Group was established with the aim to strengthen the survivor-centered approach at the country level. It is comprised mainly of women-led organizations and civil society groups from high-SEA risk countries, identified through the SEA Risk Overview. (ex: Afghanistan, Ethiopia, DRC, Nigeria, and Palestine). It also engages organizations like **Men Engage**, a global network of over 90 organizations working with men and boys on women's rights, gender justice, and related issues. The importance of ensuring cross-fertilisation and information flow between the Advisory Group members and in-country PSEA networks as well as global policy-level groups, where these organizations can provide valuable resources and expertise.

PSEA Coordinators are encouraged to engage the Advisory Group member organizations effectively, as they have extensive experience in victim assistance. This connection will be essential to the success of PSEA efforts moving forward.

3. AOB

IASC OSC SEA PSEA Coordination Helpdesk Update

OSC has provided updates on the IASC OSC SEA PSEA coordination helpdesk, which supports PSEA coordinators in the field on various topics. Since September, the helpdesk has received 70 substantive requests from field operatives and has delivered comprehensive support on a range of issues. Many TAG members have contributed by addressing the questions referred to them.

Additionally, the helpdesk has conducted five webinars 'clinics' targeting PSEA Coordinators (two information management clinics, one webinar on the PSEA action plan template, two sessions on SEA referral procedures, in both French and English.

Update on the SEARP Workstream - Consultation

UNHCR which leads the SEA RP workstream of the TAG jointly with IOM, provided a brief update on the ongoing consultations regarding the IASC SEA referral procedures. These consultations aim to identify gaps, evaluate ground-level operations, and highlight good practices to inform recommendations, advocacy efforts, and areas for support. Facilitator teams from the TAG are working with PSEA coordinators in-country to organize the consultations and ensure the involvement of relevant colleagues.

IASC PSEAH Team proposed that the **2024 TAG work plan, which had been updated in June/July (following the Global Brindisi workshop) be updated (as needed) and rolled over into 2025**. IASC PSEAH Team will reach out to the TAG in this regard.

WHO Stakeholder meeting

WHO provided an update on the second annual Stakeholder Review Conference held in December. The event focused on strengthening mutual commitment to system-wide progress. This year's theme brought together about 100 stakeholders from UN, academia, civil society, governments, and independent experts. The conference also called for amplifying fresh voices and exploring new approaches.

Annexes

- Participants List

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