

IA PSEA Community of Practice Meeting

11 February 2025

14:00-15:30 CET

Meeting Summary

Agenda

1. PSEA Global Advisory Group good practice presentation
2. Updates from the field
3. AOB
 - Point on PSEACap
 - Survey results: the CoP in 2025
 - Update on the PSEA Coordination Helpdesk

1. PSEA Global Advisory Group good practice presentation

The meeting started with a presentation from the PSEA Global Advisory Group on good practices in Palestine, encouraging Networks to enhance collaboration with and reliance on women-led organizations. The member of the PSEAH Champion Global Advisory group from Palestine presented SAWA. SAWA is one of Palestine's leading organizations, providing mental health support and psychosocial services to Palestinian communities. It provides communities with a free and confidential helpline, through the number 164. It can be used by community members to speak with a social counselor for mental health support, to receive information about humanitarian services, to report complaints of harassment, abuse, or exploitation, and to refer survivors to protection services. SAWA is a widely used channel for reporting SEA in Palestine. The representative of the PSEA Global Advisory Group and the PSEA Network highlighted the great importance of working with local partners, organizations that are working on the ground, to reinforce trust. The SAWA helpline is a core tool of the PSEA Network in Palestine, especially for women, to be able to report without fear of stigmatization or retaliation. Creating a safe and confidential helpline reinforces confidence and trust within communities.

2. Updates from the field

When it comes to challenges, PSEA Coordinators raised the issue of funding, especially highlighting the temporary suspension of US foreign assistance. They mentioned the impact on local NGOs, but also on concrete PSEA actions, such as joint SEA Risk Assessment, PSEA indicator mapping, etc.

PSEA Coordinators are also exploring engagement with the private sector through initiatives like the Connecting Business Initiative. The PSEA Coordinator in Bangladesh highlighted the work of ILO, working alongside companies to establish "Champions" and raise awareness. The Philippines are also engaging with businesses, looking to use sexual harassment as an entry point.

The PSEA Coordinator in Lebanon also shared her experience working with the pool fund. Following the expiration of the current fund for her contract, she mobilized resources via FCDO, channeled through OCHA's pooled humanitarian fund (Lebanon Humanitarian Fund), and will imply double hatting as PSEA

and AAP Coordinator. PSEA in Lebanon is currently being supported by the Lebanese Humanitarian Fund (LHF) and UNICEF. There is a component on capacity building, under the localization agenda of the LHF, on MEAL and accountability on PSEA.

Another significant challenge was translating PSEA documents, particularly in countries with numerous local languages. Some peers shared their good practices. Coordinators mentioned the benefits of developing a PSEA glossary, built with the support of PSEA focal points and communities. The key is to work and adjust the different documentation (glossary, flyers, etc.) with the communities by engaging with them.

Action point: Share the different tools/good practices of PSEA Coordinators in working with the private sector & in the translation of documentation.

3. AOB

- **Point on PSEACap**

The PSEACap roster had been opened for new members in late 2024. Written tests are currently under review. Successful candidates will then go through an interview process. PSEACap has decided to invest in the roster, by diversifying the membership and adding more junior to more experienced members, to share exposure and capacity development with PSEA professionals. According to the PSEACap 2025-26 appeal, the goal is to have 15 deployments in total at any given time, if sufficient funding can be mobilized.

- **Planning survey results: the CoP in 2025**

According to the planning survey, PSEA Coordinators wish to see in 2025, inter alia, updates on global-level discussions, sharing of good practices, and joint meetings with the TAG. Some Coordinators also indicated their availability to share good practices with peers, such as fundraising, victim assistance, and preparedness.

- **Update on the PSEA Coordination Helpdesk**

The IASC and OSCSEA teams provide an update on the PSEA Coordination Helpdesk. Between September to February, the Helpdesk has received 120 requests. PSEA Coordination Helpdesk Clinics have also been conducted in that regard.

Annex

- List of participants

No	Name	Country
PSEA Coordinators and Acting Coordinators		
1.	Aline Kica Niyonkuru	Burkina Faso
2.	Anna Posmykiewicz	Poland
3.	Anil Chandrika	Iraq
4.	Anne-Judith Ndombasi	Sudan
5.	Benedetta Cocco	Bangladesh
6.	Coty Beausejour	Colombia
7.	Diana Alejandra	Colombia
8.	Edouard Munyeshuli	Mali
9.	Elisa Cappelletti	Lebanon
10.	Ephraim Karanja	Somalia
11.	Fanny Dufvenmark	WOS
12.	Fidelia Fifame Odjo	DRC
13.	Florence Apuri Auma	South Sudan
14.	Francesca Paola Crabu	DRC
15.	Irene Coello	Mozambique
16.	Issa Sadou	Niger
17.	Jerry Mohamed Masudi	Chad
18.	Lamine Traore	CAR
19.	Lara Chelela	Haiti
20.	Lian Yong	Ethiopia
21.	Liduina Fomunyam	Yemen
22.	Lydia Fuliwa	Malawi
23.	Manuela Moy	Hungary
24.	Mary Scheree Lynn Herrera Divinagracia	Philippines
25.	Rajib Rahman	Bangladesh (CXB)

26.	Rose Katumba	Zimbabwe
27.	Sofia Canovas Pereda	Ukraine
28.	Sylvia Opinia	Nigeria
29.	Victoria Larroche	Myanmar
OCHA/IASC PSEAH Team		
30.	Charlotte Helletzgruber	PSEAH Advisor
31.	Halid Zewdu Feleke	Associate Expert, PSEAH
32.	Héloïse Salvagnac	Intern, PSEAH
33.	Kirstie Farmer	PSEAH Advisor
34.	Mai Fitiane	Intern, PSEAH
35.	Yves Patrice Ndji	Information Management Officer
Additional Invitees		
36.	Carina Hickling	NORCAP/PSEACap
37.	Muna Hasan	Sanad Network, Palestine
38.	Ohaila Shomar	PSEA Global Advisory Group, Palestine
39.	Sonja Wendlinger	OSCSEA
40.	Truphosa Anjichi	OCHA ROSEA FP
41.	Veerle Triquet	WFP