LOCATION  
Teleconference

DATE  
16 April 2021

CHAIR  
Athalie MAYO

PARTICIPANTS  
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ACTION POINTS

- SAG members to coordinate regarding their respective roles during the coming GLM.
- SAG members have been invited to share their thoughts regarding the GLM agenda that will be communicated soon.
- To check with ICRC/IFRC prior to the GLM if they would be interested to have a representation in the SAG.

AGENDA

1. Update on Logistics Cluster Global Meetings (GLM) planning
2. Highlight on the GLM content
3. Discussion around the SAG elections
4. AOB

1. Update on Logistics Cluster Global Meeting (GLM) planning

- The GLM planned agenda has been presented and discussed to/with the SAG members, emphasising on the role they are expected to play being a key entity of the Logistics Cluster’s community of partners.
- The agenda is about to be finalised and will be shared soon to a broad audience. The GLM is planned to run from Monday (26/04) to Friday (30/04) – this timeframe includes marketplace sessions. Participants have been asked to register for each block as per the schedule.
- Several hundreds of participants are expected to attend this second virtual GLM.
- French interpretation will be available throughout the week – with possible exception of Wednesday. People have been invited to share the information to their French speaking network for inclusion purposes.
- The number of platforms to be used during the meeting will be kept minimum – limited to Zoom and Mentimeter – reckoning that the greater variety available during the previous GLM turned out to be a challenge for participants. For the meeting moderation, two professional journalists have been contracted and stress will be first put on explaining and/or reminding the GLM purposes to the participants.
2. Highlight on the GLM content

- Speakers/panellists from various backgrounds (e.g. academia, private sector) have been invited and engagement from participants will be strongly fostered to gather inputs, insights, and their various points of view with the general objective of making the GLM a living platform.
- Digitalisation, localisation, and capacity strengthening will be among the key topics to be discussed.
- The Strategy Implementation Plan together with the broad strategy consultations will be crucial elements to engage partners on.
- The SAG strongly emphasised on how the open sessions will be organised and moderated to best structure the discussions and allow all willing participants to share their thoughts.
- The SAG reflected on what would be the most appropriate way during the GLM to engage the entire community of partners with regard to the Logistics Cluster Strategy 2022-2024 development.
- Though predefined questions/topic discussions, the community of partners will be broadly consulted during the GLM, enabling them to share their views on the future of humanitarian logistics on a few years horizon. The opportunity of getting inputs and insights from various stakeholders and sectors will most certainly enrich the discussion and widen the perspective, the SAG said.

3. Discussion around the SAG elections

- The rules, conditions, and modalities regarding the SAG elections (planned to take place on Day 3 of the GLM) have been discussed by participants.
- The SAG members resumed a discussion initiated during the GLM 2019 in Dublin regarding the possibility of having a ICRC/IFRC representative joining the SAG. They elaborated and reflected on what it would entail for the SAG, especially with respect to the NGO-allocated seats and tie votes – which they flagged as highly unlikely since such situation never occurred, most decisions being consensual. In that sense, they also discussed the eventuality of adding a new seat to the SAG, whether dedicated to the ICRC/IFRC, or bumping up the NGO-allocated number of seats (from three presently to four).

4. AOB

No AOB
The next GSAG meeting will be scheduled on 6 May 2021 at 13:00 CET.

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