Meeting Minutes, 18 March 2022
Global Strategic Advisory Group

LOCATION
Online

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ACTION POINTS
• The focal points for the strategic working groups to be identified.

AGENDA
1. Ukraine Update
2. Strategic working groups
3. Global Logistics Cluster Meeting (GLM)
4. AOB

1. Ukraine Update

• A Logistics Cluster’s response team has been deployed to Krakow for the Ukraine emergency response on the 25 February 2022, working on supporting logistics coordination through the polish corridor.
• A Logistics Cluster support team has been deployed to Romania to assess the logistics gaps and needs.
• So far, the main challenges faced by humanitarian partners include: the congestion at border crossing points, the distinction of cargo and pipeline visibility.
• The World Food Programme (WFP) has adopted a no regrets approach until the assessments are finalised, handing over food to city administrations with little visibility on the actual demand.
• In-kind support offers are increasing and difficult to match with identified needs for reasons of lack of visibility on demand.
• Partners are also experiencing challenges regarding warehouse bonding in-country.
• The Logistics Cluster and UNHCR are merging their meetings to facilitate information sharing and avoid an overwhelming number of coordination spaces for partners.

2. Working Groups

• The focal points for the various strategic working group, including training, preparedness, partnerships, service provision and procurement, remain to be identified.

3. Global Logistics Cluster Meeting (GLM)

• The next GLM will be held at UNICEF supply center in Copenhagen from the 16 June 2022.
The topics have been discussed and agreed for, with a strong focus on operational subjects including physical access, administrative access, CivMil coordination, UNDAC collaboration, sustainability and localisation.

4. AOB

- The European Humanitarian Forum will be held from the 21 March 2022 and the Logistics Cluster will be represented. Any important subject to be raised can be communicated to Athalie Mayo.
- The Global Logistics Cluster Coordinator, Athalie Mayo, has been reassigned to Nicaragua starting from Summer 2022. Her replacement, Mailin Fauchon, will be introduced during the next Global Meeting.

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