

**LOCATION:** Teleconference

**DATE:** 19 September 2018

**CHAIR:** Stephen Cahill (GLC)

**PARTICIPANTS:** Cécile Terraz (MedAir), Didier Merckx (ECHO), Jakob Kern (WFP), Jean-Baptiste Lamarche (ACF), Stéphane Arnaud (UNICEF), Bruno Vandemeulebroecke (GLC Observer)

**AGENDA:**

1. Departure of Rebecca Lewin as SAG member and election of new NGO representative
2. WFP Supply Chain organisational update
3. Working Group update
4. Global Meeting preparation
5. HNPW 2019

**ACTION POINTS:**

- GLC to circulate emails from SAG members to SAG mailing list to follow up the call for nominations for NGO vacancy on SAG.
- Global Cluster Coordinator to respond to notification received for candidacy for SAG.
- GLC to provide further information regarding current branding of Logistics Cluster warehouses once research is complete.
- SAG members to share suggestions for keynote speakers and session presenters for GLM.
- SAG focal points to reach out to Working Groups to request two page update for GLM.
- GLC to share planning document from last Global Meeting with SAG members.
- JB Lamarche to make contact with Sean Rafter (HELP) and Maria Besiou (Kuehne) regarding HNPW presentation and provide update to SAG.

### 1. Departure of Rebecca Lewin as SAG member and election of new NGO representative

- Email has been circulated to partners advising of the vacancy and calling for candidacies. Email also included thank you to Rebecca Lewin for her efforts.
- Election of empty SAG seat will take place during next Global Meeting in Rome.
- It was requested that emails from SAG members echoing calls for candidacies are circulated to the SAG mailing list by the GLC. SAG members also to propose bilateral conversations between NGO representatives.
- One candidacy has been received. The Global Cluster Coordinator will respond to acknowledge receipt.

### 2. WFP Supply Chain organisational update

- Jakob Kern was introduced as the new WFP representative to the SAG. Jakob is the Director of Supply Chain Division, and prior to this was Country Director in Syria. He expressed his support for the work of the Logistics Cluster and advised that he is looking forward to working with the SAG. He provided an explanation as to why the internal change was made regarding Global Logistics Cluster and how it sits within WFP.
- The SAG members expressed some concern regarding the continued independence of the Logistics Cluster, especially in relation to service provision.
- The WFP representative assured that there would be firewalling of the Logistics Cluster and reiterated WFP's role as provider of last resort. He advised that it's not the ambition of WFP to be providers of first resort. The Global Logistics Cluster Coordinator advised that the restructure would provide an opportunity to exercise greater control and impartiality, and advised that the change in reporting to the Director of Supply Chain will ensure that independence is maintained.
- The SAG members also expressed some concern regarding the increase in responsibilities for the Global Logistics Cluster Coordinator and how this would impact the time allocated to the Logistics Cluster. It was advised that the

Deputy Cluster Coordinator would be taking on a more active role, and that the Global Logistics Cluster Coordinator's role across the new units would be more from the position of overseeing existing managers.

- It was confirmed that this structural change will be presented to attendees at the next Global Meeting.
- The SAG members discussed a need to define branding of assets in the field in order to satisfy donor requirements. It was advised that research is currently being undertaken by the GLC to discover how all current Logistics Cluster warehouses are branded so that this can be discussed further. Results will be shared with SAG once available.

### 3. Working Group update

- The SAG members discussed the need to reallocate SAG sponsorship of the Cash and Preparedness Working Groups due to SAG membership changes.
- The Global Cluster Coordinator nominated to sponsor the Preparedness Working Group. It was decided that the reallocation of the Cash Working Group would occur at a later date once a new member has been elected.
- Current sponsorships are: *Operational KPIs* – Didier Merckx, *Lessons Learned* – Stéphane Arnaud, *Service Provision* – JB Lamarche
- It was advised that there has been a great deal of interest in the Logistics Systems and ERPs Working Group which is scheduled to hold its first call on 26 September. There has been lower interest in the Advocacy Working Group.

### 4. Global Meeting preparation

- It was advised that due to time constraints, there will be no session for Working Group updates included in the agenda for the next Global Meeting. SAG members agreed that instead, a one to two page document updating progress should be prepared by each working group for circulation at the meeting and online. SAG focal points to request that Working Groups prepare this.
- The SAG members agreed to an environmental theme for the upcoming meeting and will share ideas for potential keynote speakers as well as organisations that could potentially offer theme sessions.
- It was agreed to share the planning document from the last Global Meeting in Washington with SAG members.
- SAG members discussed which countries to provide operations updates on and it was agreed that it would be best to try and relate this to the strategy work that will be presented at the meeting.
- It was suggested that an office tour is included in Global Meeting activities and that there are opportunities for meeting participants to interact with chiefs.

### 6. HNPW 2019

- SAG members discussed the need to define what of value could be presented at HNPW. The Global Cluster Coordinator advised that while they could support with presence at the event, current capacity would not allow for the GLCSC to drive the presentation. It was advised that it has been requested that presentation topics are submitted by 2 October.
- It was agreed that Sean Rafter (HELP) and Maria Besiou (Kuehne) would be approached, as well as the Réseau Logistique Humanitaire, regarding the presentation. JB Lamarche will make contact and report back to the SAG.

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