
LOCATION	Teleconference
DATE	23 November 2020
CHAIR	Athalie Mayo
PARTICIPANTS	Didier Merckx, Fabrice Perrot, Katja Hildebrand, Mary Jelliti, Susan Hodgson, Bruno Vandemeulebroecke (observer)
ACTION POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Global Logistics Cluster Support Team to draft a document presenting the different options regarding the development of the strategy and share it with the Global Strategic Advisory Group (GSAG).• The Global Logistics Cluster Support Team to draft a document with options for definition and designation process of partners.• Dedicated meetings of the GSAG to be convened to review Global Logistics Cluster's role and relevance, the 2020-2021 Strategy Implementation Plan and the road map for producing the 2022 and beyond strategy
AGENDA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Definition of a partner2. The strategy of the Global Logistics Cluster in 2022 and onwards3. Role and Relevance of the Global Logistics Cluster4. 2021 Strategy Implementation Plan

1. Global Meeting analysis

Background

- The former methodology, face-to-face, for convening the Global Logistics Meeting, generally resulted in a quorum of approximately 60 partner organisations. The advent of remote working methodologies and particularly the experience of the October 2020 Global Logistics Meeting has indicated that a far greater number of partners will participate in online fora. Online meetings will therefore greatly facilitate inclusivity and localisation but the potential increase in the number of attendees gives rise to a need to review criteria for engagement and participation
- The Global Logistics Cluster definition of a partner should be adapted and aligned with current realities. In the past, the definition of partner was solely used to decide whether an organisation should be granted access to the Global Logistics Meetings. Currently the only criteria on partner participation in Global Logistics Meetings are those agreed to by the Global Strategic Advisory Group (GSAG) in [February 2018](#), whereby participation in the Global Logistics Meeting defined as:

- As per the standard procedure, a maximum of one focal point from each organisation (or organisational family) will be able to attend the upcoming Global Logistics Meeting.
- Based on previous discussions, feedback from partners and considering the increasing number and variety of entities in the humanitarian space that are not implementing humanitarian operations (e.g. networks, associations), it was agreed that only humanitarian organisations implementing humanitarian operations in the field will be able to attend the Global Logistics Meeting. Organisations who do not meet the criteria but are relevant for and can engage with a specific theme, topic or session can attend on an invitation basis. The decision on invitees will be overseen by the Global Logistics Cluster Support Team in collaboration with the GSAG.
- Several partnership models were briefly elaborated, noting the particularities of each.
- It was suggested to elaborate a system to elect for example 60 organisations to participate in the governance of the global logistics cluster. Linked to this suggestion was the suggestion to entrench organisational engagement through a declaration of engagement.
- A number of thoughts were shared with regards to the options for defining criteria for becoming a partner and, in the absence of any immediate decision, the Global Logistics Cluster Support Team will draft a short proposal outlining the various options that might be considered by the GSAG taking into consideration the differentiation between global engagement, engagement in countries with activated Cluster and countries without activated Cluster and the subsequent differentiated requirements on governance, information sharing and engagement.

Distinguishing Information Sessions and Governance Sessions

- It was proposed that the engagement with the partner community be considered in two categories: Information Sessions (opened to all stakeholders relevant to the humanitarian response) and “Governance” Sessions which would engage partners in accordance with a reviewed criteria.
- Bi-annual Information Sessions will be opened to the broader humanitarian community.
- Governance Sessions will be opened to partners only and the criteria of partner reviewed.

Next steps

- The Global Logistics Cluster Support Team to draft a proposal on Global Logistics Meeting attendance, incorporating governance consultations, that will be shared with the GSAG for consideration
- This proposal is intended to be presented to the Global Logistics Cluster’s community during the next Global Logistics Meeting.

2. Strategy of the Global Logistics Cluster in 2022 and onwards

- Review of the previous strategy is needed for the development of 2022 strategy.
- The review of the current strategy was outsourced following GSAG agreement at the time of decision.
- The Global Logistics Cluster will draft a document presenting the different options regarding the development of the strategy and share it with the GSAG.
- The GSAG should have a first draft road map for the development of the strategy 2022 and beyond ready for the next Global Logistics Meeting, with the strategy to be fully endorsed by the end of 2021.

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- The GSAG stressed the importance to have partners engaged and contributing to the new strategy.

3. Role and Relevance of the Global Logistics Cluster

- The GSAG agreed to have a meeting with an agenda fully dedicated to the subject of the Global Logistics Cluster's role and relevance going forward.
- Ahead of this meeting, the GSAG stressed the need to come-up with a method to collect the community's input in a consistent manner.

4. 2021 Strategy Implementation Plan

- The GSAG agreed to have a session fully dedicated to the 2021 Strategy Implementation Plan.

The next GSAG meeting will be scheduled on 15 January 2021

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