Meeting Minutes, 11 November 2024

Global Strategic Advisory Group (SAG)



LOCATION	Online
DATE	11 November 2024
CHAIR	Mailin Fauchon Global Logistics Cluster (GLC) Coordinator
PARTICIPANTS	Mary Jelliti, Nadia Griffin, Richard Kneller, Sarah Penniman-Morin, Susan Hodgson.
ACTION POINTS	 The agenda of the Logistics Cluster Coordinators (LCC) Retreat of 26-28 November 2024 is to be shared with all SAG members Information about the DHL meeting to be disseminated across the SAG members Information on the Logistics Cluster Mobile Application is to be shared with all SAG members The next SAG meeting to address events and engagement initiatives for 2025
AGENDA	 Global Logistics Meeting (GLM) – November 2024 Update on interactions with DHL Release of the Logistics Cluster Mobile Application Recent events Upcoming events

1. Global Logistics Meeting (GLM) - November 2024

- The GLM took place in hybrid format across different locations in the world and ended with a debriefing and information-sharing closure session in online format on 6 November 2024.
- Approximately 430 people attended the event around the world. Over 50% of participants were African
 partner representatives based at country level, which signals a good level of local participation. Many
 people that had never attended a GLM before attended this event.
- From an organizational perspective, the way in which the panel discussions were structured was very
 functional. The hybrid delivery modality alleviated workload from the Rome-based team and gives more
 ownership to field colleagues, who have been able to organize smaller working sessions at their own pace.
- The SAG noted there could be room for improvement in terms of organizing the GLM sessions in different time brackets for Latin American and/or Pacific participants to be able to join in more comfortable timeslots.
- Given the high participants rotations, there is a risk of not addressing the right people across all field operations, and there is a need for adjusting the narrative and languages of different working sessions when addressing new discussion topics.

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2. Update on the interactions with DHL

DHL is a standby partner of WFP and there is an intention to increasingly rely on their support in Logistics
Cluster work. Given their decentralised structure, a meeting was held with all the regional DHL managers
along with the global head of corporate social responsibility in which all participants brainstormed together
around possible areas for collaboration. Feedback of the meeting will be shared once the notes for the
record have been compiled.

3. Release of the Logistics Cluster Mobile Application

- The Logistics Cluster Mobile Application was published, and information on how to download it can be retrieved here.
- Feedback on the app can be provided <u>here</u>.

4. Recent events

- <u>AidEx</u> took place in October 2024 in Brussels and Mailin Fauchon and Annemarie Faustino (WREC Coordinator) attended the event as facilitators on behalf of the Global Logistics Cluster team. Topics such as private sector partnerships, global fleet, and environmental sustainability in logistics were addressed.
- The <u>Annual Preparedness Workshop (APW)</u> took place at the beginning of October 2024 in Dubai. There was a good turn-out in terms of stakeholder participations. Areas of improvement entail going deeper on how to better collaborate with national and regional governments in terms of preparedness actions, how to encounter synergies at subnational level vis-à-vis the support provided at central level, and how to concretely enhance the resilience of local response actors are to be sought. Government representatives need to be able to clearly voice what they require in terms of preparedness support and have a good understanding of what support can be provided.

5. Upcoming events

- The Logistics Cluster Coordinators (LCC) Retreat takes place on 26-28 November 2024 in Rome and the latest
 version of the agenda will be shared with all SAG members. HULO has been invited to attend the meeting
 remotely. Blessing Dzambo is expected to attend as well, so the SAG would be represented.
- The next Logistics Emergency Team (LET) meeting is taking place in Geneva on 10-11 December 2024 and will be hosted by the World Economic Forum (WEF). There is a good relationship with the LET and the meeting will address how, on one hand, the LET can support Logistics Cluster partners in addressing respective gaps and needs to strengthen the support provided to the partner community and, on the other hand, provide strategic analysis support through sharing of expertise and intelligence.
- The next SAG meeting will take place on 13 December 2024.

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