



Minutes of meeting

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Agenda

Time	Topic	Who
10:00 – 10:05	Opening	Lilia
10:05 – 10:10	Brief round of introductions	Everyone
10:10 – 10:35	LAC Shelter and Settlements forum	Lilia and Briar (InterAction)
10:35 – 10:45	Activism against Gender based violence and Environment Community of Practice	Kimja Vanderheyden (GSC)
10:45 – 10:55	Partners' updates	Everyone
11:00	End of the meeting	



Highlights

1. You are invited to the Shelter & Settlements forum to take place virtually the 13 and 14 of November. You can register through the link below:
<https://canadianredcross.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAtfuGhrDgrH9Nnl7w1Hi0CfWdVuH3EM8Bc>
2. The Global Shelter Cluster is supporting the 16-day campaign to prevent gender-based violence starting in November 25. Please follow the Global Shelter Cluster in twitter and youtube to see how to support the initiative

Recording

https://canadianredcross.zoom.us/rec/share/q9Hj39GjiOSHMOE-Q4oJ7QSKrjs5EUGdpwq4B6hUcOX4pbPxiPYvzN_40weMhRnM.XlpNrSWbUI_fSYTE?startTime=1637247771000

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Meeting notes

1. Briar from InterAction and Lilia from IFRC shared the agenda and state of preparations for the **Shelter and Settlements forum**, to take place the 13 and 14 of November virtually. Sessions organizers explained the purpose of the sessions. Participants were invited to register in the sessions through the link below:
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The Forum will provide the opportunity to highlight your work, discuss common issues, exchange knowledge and strengthen our network. (Forum agenda is attached)

There will be a session to present the **Shelter Projects Compendium**, an initiative that has been continuing for the past 15 years to showcase good initiatives from all over the world.
2. The Global Shelter Cluster has been collecting material to support the **16-day campaign against Gender-Based-Violence**. Videos, fact sheets and other communication material is being shared to communicate the importance of shelter in the work to mitigate GBV linked to “side impact of shelter”.



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The **Environment community of practice** at GSC has an advocacy plan in collaboration with partners. The objective is to strengthen this the first trimester of 2022. You can subscribe to this Community of Practice if you are interested.

3. HFHI is developing a cooperative network to **foster emergency response and climate change preparedness**, as well as risk reduction. They are interested in presenting it in the next meeting.

The IFRC Urban Collaboration platform is holding a virtual conference from the 24 to the 26 of November, as shared in a previous email. All partners are invited to take part and register through the link below:

<https://rcrc-urbancollab.org/atrium>

The Global Shelter Cluster is commissioning an evaluation of our strategy 2018-2022. Some of you will be contacted to contribute to this evaluation. Below are the Terms of reference.

<https://reliefweb.int/job/3792368/evaluator-global-shelter-cluster-strategy>

The GSC Strategic Advisory Group will hold its retreat on December 9 and 10. If your agency is part of the SAG feel free to contact the focal points to bring forward the issues relevant to your work.

Relevant links

Information about the ShelterProjects

- <http://shelterprojects.org/>
- <https://iec.sheltercluster.org/> - the Compendium

The Shelter & Environment Community of Practice

<https://www.sheltercluster.org/community-of-practice/environment>

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