

# Q&A COORDINATION WORKSHOP 2024

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## Summary



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### 1 - INTRODUCTIONS & NETWORKING (Q&A)

Very instructive

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### 2 - CCPM RESULTS ANALYSIS (Q&A)

### 3 - SATISFACTION SURVEY (Q&A)

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### 4 - LOCALISATION (Q&A)

About funding localisation, which activity/ies we should prioritize, cost - effect (considering a lack of resources)

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Good practices and well succeed countries examples

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Beyond the technical capacity we have the financial risks.

How have you ensured the mitigation of financial risks with your local partners?

How have you ensured the local partners have increased capacity to mobilize resources on their own?

Through localization the cluster is able to reach affected population in the hard to reach areas how have you ensured that aid diversions are mitigated?

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All examples of localisation are from well established responses; how do we localise in the initial stages of a response or in the massive and/or sudden escalation of a crisis?

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How are others handling a situation where the bulk of the capacity staff or best staff are taken up by UN and INNGOs? Does this not negate localization



When donors don't have confidence in fund accountability capacity-what do you do?



what about if we consider capacity sharing and development as a bridge of localization aiming sustainability and ownership based on accountability.



The elephant in the localization is the financial accountability if as a cluster we are in a position to address this the localization would be effective.

Therefore what are the practical ways can we address this?

Financial system ?????? How ? What?



I'm curious to know from Venezuela cluster how they go about capacity building of local NGOs so they are able to deliver together on the projects that they co-submit (and that it is not a cosmetic effort)



## 5 - AREA BASED COORDINATION (Q&A) - RANDA & LALA

Where and at what point do the ABC link to the cluster or is ABC a standalone reporting direct to HC?



Thanks. This question was addressed during the session.

Where we have active clusters how do the ABC supplement to the response?

With limited resources within a country can we say introduction of ABC will or might lead to competition on the scarce resources?

How should we ensure that ABC fill the gap rather than draining the already advocated resources for the clusters?

In practice we find that ABC utilises the same human resources supporting the clusters, undertaking the same activities thereby leading to overburdening to some extent "duplication" from lessons learnt how should this be controlled?



What is the role of Clusters in ABC?



Thanks. This question was addressed during the session, work is on going in this definition and the discussion will continue.

**How do we view ABC, in terms of resources division, duplication of Coordination, Competition of leadership and Advocacy space considering countries where we have active cluster in place?**

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**What is the difference between Area Based Coordination and a cluster which includes sub national clusters, often led by cluster partners?**

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Thanks. This question was addressed during the session. It can be interesting to check the summary of the first online discussion on this topic. here: <https://sheltercluster.org/coordination-community-practice/documents/exchange-area-based-coordination-shelter-cluster>

**ABL, Flagship and Cluster Coordination where do they meet?**

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**ABC brings additional attention and resources in one area. How do you mitigate the risk of ABC becoming a major pull factor?**

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Thanks. This question was addressed during the session.

**Who is accountable in terms of standards in AoR for the ABC,**

**Where Do we expect ABC to get technical guidance factoring they use the cluster partners?**

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This is a current question discussed during the session and highlighted previously as one important concern from the SC coordinators.

**What is the difference between ABC and Flagship initiative under implementation in 4 Countries?**

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**Why introduce a new system when there is a working wheel, albeit not running smoothly but can still be improved. Are you not just wasting resources duplicating the capdev, training and roll out?**

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**Do you think approaching localization and ABC in an integrated manner would help the uptake of both ambitions?**

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**Given that ABC or ABA is understood differently in different organizations and clusters. How to agree on a common definition and understanding?**

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**We need to know the difference between area based coordination and sub-national coordination in terms of response?**



**Should we expect that there be a subnational ICCG?**



**What are the differences between area based approaches and settlements approach? Is it just the scale?**



there are small nuances in terms of the definition of the area, considering socio-cultural components additional to the administrative boundaries. (the topic was introduced in the first online session, the summary here: <https://sheltercluster.org/coordination-community-practice/documents/exchange-area-based-coordination-shelter-cluster>)

## 6 - DURABLE SOLUTIONS (Q&A)

**We seemed to use durable solutions and durable shelter solutions interchangeably during this session. Durable solutions has an established framework/definition. Is there a framework/definition for durable shelter solutions or are we talking about the same framework?**



## 7 - CLIMATE ACTION & ENVIRONMENT (Q&A)

**Share the useful , simplified and operational tools**



Please check GSC website/EcoP page for all tools and resources

You can also get in touch: [marara@unhcr.org](mailto:marara@unhcr.org), if you need a specific tool. Thx

## 8 - DONOR ENGAGEMENT & RESOURCES (Q&A)

## 9 - ADVOCACY & COMMS (Q&A)

**Would it be possible to centralize or have design capacity on call to support with one pagers?**



**lack of strategy**



## 10 - IM (Q&A)

## 11- INTRODUCTION TO SAG & DONORS (Q&A)

## 12 - CLUSTER ACHIEVEMENTS (Q&A)

## 13 - PROPOSED SOLUTIONS (Q&A)

**Chronic shelter responds to recurrent emergencies rather than addressing the root cause where possible.**

**These contribute to donor fatigue and reduce the synergies needed to address adequate shelter response. Exposure of the population to life-threatening risks including loss of lives.**

**For example flood response resources for years; where minimal resources would be required to address the root cause permanently either by the provision of Dykes, provision of canals,**

**Millions of dollars continue to be spent that inadequately provide shelter solutions? Under our watch invested resources continue to be destroyed.**

**Proposed Solution:**

**Linkage of durable solution (Development partners) to address the known root cause as a preparedness measure to any humanitarian responses.**

**Shelter Clusters to be funded to address a better proportion of root causes as a means of Preparedness to providing solution, rather than only firefighting through chronic emergency response.**

