



GPC Global Protection Forum 2021

Technical Segment 12-16 April

Concept Note and Agenda

The technical segment of the Global Protection Forum (annex 1) is dedicated to **field cluster coordinators, AoRs coordinators, co-coordinators and IMO**s and aims to:

- Plan and prepare key cluster processes for 2021 (HNO/HRP, protection analysis, localization).
- Stimulate cross-learning between teams and across regions, fostering transversal communication and collaboration.
- Gain and share information and knowledge.

The programme of the technical segment reflects the needs expressed by coordinators through a quick survey conducted among field protection clusters (annex 2) as well as consultations with Global AoRs and the GPC Coordinator. Sessions are organized jointly by the GPC Operation's Cell and the global AoRs, with contributions from field operations and partners.

Monday 12th April

Time	Sessions
13:00-13:45	<p>Opening of the Global Protection Forum 2021 and launch of the GPC's virtual exhibition by the Global Coordinators William Chemaly, Joyce Mutiso, Bruno Donat, Jim Robinson, Jennifer Chase</p> <p><u>Objective:</u> GPC and AoRs global coordinators open the forum and provide a short update on global prospects, activities, and policy developments.</p>
14:00-16:00	<p>GPC's Virtual Protection Exhibition</p> <p><u>Objective:</u> participants are invited to take a tour of the virtual exhibition and visit virtual stands organized by AoRs, Ops cell, Help desk and Task Teams where they will have the opportunity to ask questions, requested support or look for information.</p>

Tuesday 13th April

Time	Sessions
11:00-12:30	<p>Donor engagement and coordinating fundraising</p> <p><u>Objective:</u> review good practices on donor engagement and discuss ways to ensure better coordination of donor engagement and fundraising for HRPs.</p>



12:00-14:00 Collective Learning

Objective: Strengthen our collective learning efforts through building interactive learning mechanisms and opportunities. This session will guide our joint learning approach and ensure an effective humanitarian response with protection at its core.

14:30-16:00 Core joint session: HNO/HRP

Objective: present the steps for the HCP 2021, discuss lessons learnt from the 2020 process and identify opportunities to deliver comprehensive analysis.

16:00-17:30 Mettre en œuvre d’une politique solide de protection contre l’exploitation et les abus sexuels (PSEA) mettant l’accent sur l’assistance aux victimes

Objective : Améliorer la compréhension des Coordonnateurs sur la PEAS en mettant l’accent sur les défis, les lacunes et les pratiques prometteuses en matière d’assistance aux victimes sur le terrain; (ii) Discuter du rôle et de la collaboration entre le leadership du HC, les réseaux PSEA, le groupes de coordination sur les VBG, protection et protection de l’enfance.

Wednesday 14th April

Time Sessions

11:00-12:30 Maximizing the impact of mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) services

Objective: To build understanding of participants on the inter-sectoral factors needed to have optimal MHPSS outcomes

14:30-16:00 Core Joint Session: localization

Objective: (i) discuss the extent to which local actors are currently engaging in the areas of leadership and humanitarian funding, through showcasing the operations that have advanced the localization agenda in their funding or leadership systems; (ii) encourage the Protection and AoR coordinators to enhance the participation and collaboration of local and national actors in the coordination and delivery of protection responses.

16:00-17:30 Implementation of protection from sexual exploitation and abuses (PSEA) with robust victim assistance by Protection Clusters and its AoRs

Objective: (i) Increase Coordinator’s understanding of PSEA with a focus on challenges, gaps and promising practices in regard to victim assistance at the field level; (ii) Discuss the role and collaboration between HC leadership, PSEA Networks and GBV sub-cluster, Child Protection and Protection Coordinators



Thursday 15th April

Time

Sessions

11:00-12:30

Centrality of protection

Objective: promote a clear understanding of the centrality of protection and address practical challenges that protection actors may face in its implementation within the protection cluster/sector and beyond, including in their work with development and peace actors.

14:30-16:00

Core Joint Session: Protection Analytical Framework

Objective: launch the PAF and present how it should guide protection analysis in support of strategic planning processes (HNO/HRP, Common country analysis, regular protection analysis report, advocacy pieces, etc.).

16:00-17:00

Concluding Remarks

Global Coordinators William Chemaly, Joyce Mutiso, Bruno Donat, Jim Robinson



Annex 1

GPC 2021 GLOBAL PROTECTION FORUM CONCEPT NOTE

12-16 April 2021

Background

Each year, the Global Protection Cluster (GPC), its Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) Members including the Areas of Responsibility (AoRs) organize a Global Protection Forum with partners and field coordinators to review gaps, challenges and opportunities in protection coordination, discuss emerging protection challenges and solutions, and plan activities to be undertaken to ensure centrality and mainstreaming of protection at global and field levels.

In response to the feedback received after the [Global Forum 2020](#) pointing out towards the need for a streamlined programme and the organization of technical sessions dedicated specifically to field cluster coordinators, the GPC adopted a slightly different format than the previous year (see GPC calendar attached). Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2021 editions of the Forum will take place exclusively in digital form. The programme will include the following elements:

A technical segment (12-16 April) dedicated to field cluster coordinators, AoRs coordinators, co-coordinators and IMOs consisting of virtual workshops of 90 min each and aiming at fostering cross learning and collaboration across regions and agencies.

A temperature check event (June date tbc) aimed at reviewing the funding level of the protection sector in 2021 against the requirements put forward in the Global Humanitarian Overview 2020 and draw attention to underfunded operations or specialized protection areas.

A thematic segment (13-17 September) dedicated to the broader constituency of the GPC and designed to foster dialogue on current protection priorities, discuss emerging issues and present new evidence and good practice.

A High-Level event (30th of November) organized on the eve of the GHO launch and aimed at drawing attention to the funding level of the protection sector in the Humanitarian Response Plans across all cluster operations and mobilize resource for the protection sector in 2022.

A specific agenda and concept note will be developed for each segment/event of the Forum.

Participation

Participants will include global and field coordinators of the Protection Cluster including the AoRs, co-coordinators, and IMOs, key donors, SAG members, GPC Task Team coordinators and members, GPC members, local actors, as well as human rights, development, and peace actors. Specific target audience will be identified for each event.

Organisation

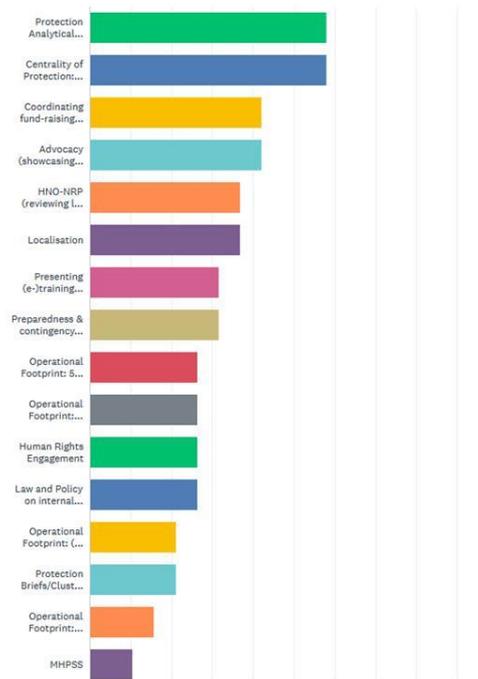
The Forum will be organized jointly by the Operation's Cell and the AoRs following consultation with the field operations. The GPC SAG will approve the strategic direction of the Forum and support the organization.



Annex 2 - Results of the quick survey conducted amongst 32 field protection clusters/sectors in February 2021

Select your priority thematic issues for the Forum (top 5)

Answered: 19 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
▼ Protection Analytical Framework (PAF) and next step	57.89% 11
▼ Centrality of Protection: What it means to/for you in practice, what clusters/coordinators can/should do; challenges	57.89% 11
▼ Coordinating fund-raising & donor engagement for protection programs, tracking/reporting funding	42.11% 8
▼ Advocacy (showcasing successful collective advocacy; identifying priorities for joint field/global advocacy)	42.11% 8
▼ HNO-NRP (reviewing last process, and preparing 2022 HPC - i.e. how to be better prepared)	36.84% 7
▼ Localisation	36.84% 7
▼ Presenting (e-)training catalogue and introduce Specialization Programme on Protection Coordination	31.58% 6
▼ Preparedness & contingency planning, learning from experience in disaster/climate change	31.58% 6
▼ Operational Footprint: 5W and FTS/tracking funding for protection	26.32% 5
▼ Operational Footprint: Referral pathways and service mapping (cross Cluster/AoR)	26.32% 5
▼ Human Rights Engagement	26.32% 5
▼ Law and Policy on internal displacement	26.32% 5
▼ Operational Footprint: (GPC Field Cluster Coordination Package/"Start Pack")	21.05% 4
▼ Protection Briefs/Cluster Protection Analysis country updates	21.05% 4
▼ Operational Footprint: Cluster ToRs and MoU (strengthening co-ordination, SAG, & localisation)	15.79% 3
▼ MHPSS	10.53% 2
Total Respondents: 19	