



GPC GLOBAL PROTECTION FORUM 2020 CONCEPT NOTE FOR VIRTUAL EVENTS

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'Due Diligence, What next?'

Housing, Land and Property (HLP) implications for protection in practice: Due Diligence and Coordination between CCCM, Shelter and Protection

September 30th 2020, 14.00 CET

[Join via Zoom](#)

Rational/purpose

Housing Land and Property issues cut across many aspects of crisis response including activities carried out under Shelter, CCCM and Protection clusters. Collaborative and coordinated approaches can lead to effective engagement with HLP issues, contributing to durable solutions and protection outcomes.

This session will focus on what happens when Due Diligence Standards and processes meet the complex reality of an emergency context. Conducting due diligence enables humanitarian actors to ask critical questions before embarking on activities that depend on housing, land and natural resources. But what happens when this due diligence uncovers complex issues like pre-existing conflicts, multiple rights-holders, and 'owners' refusing the construction of emergency shelters and sanitation facilities?

How do humanitarian actors respond?

This session will explore practical approaches to coordination and collaboration with and across protection, shelter, CCCM and others in response to this issue. The discussion will be based around examples and experiences that draw together skills and techniques from across the sectors. Participants will be encouraged to bring both learnings and/or challenges they currently face. Together we will pool ideas and explore possible solutions.

Expected Outcome

Participants will consider what happens in practice once HLP due diligence processes have been followed. Hearing from field experiences, participants will explore ways to overcome potential, or current, obstacles. Learning from the experience of others will be crucial.

Format/Content of the Event?

This carefully facilitated session will create a non-judgmental space to explore, together, the creation of action plans for possible ways forward. The virtual roundtable will begin with a plenary session introducing country examples of the challenges faced following due diligence processes and the perspectives of Protection, Shelter and CCCM actors involved.



Following this, breakout groups will allow participants to explore practical suggestions for addressing the challenges in their own and others' scenarios. Specific topics will be shaped by the contexts in which participants work, though will likely include:

- coordination and collaboration on negotiating with rights-holders,
- responding to contested land ownership,
- identifying cluster/agency responsibilities for next steps and activities,
- strategic cluster coordination and planning,
- 'do no harm' and the possibility of no further action,
- the use/possibility of shared standards on how to proceed.

Platform: Zoom

Language: English (include option of French break out group)

Time zone: CET (14.00)

Speakers/Moderator/ technical donor partner

Moderator: Global coordinators for HLP AoR, Shelter Cluster, CCCM Cluster

Resource People: HLP AoR members, including colleagues from NRC, IOM, UNHCR. Also, CCCM and Shelter field coordinators

Technical donor partner: SDC

Field Cluster/Operations

HLP Coordination groups, Shelter, CCCM and Protection cluster colleagues in:

South Sudan, Bangladesh (Cox's Bazar), Syria, Ethiopia, Philippines¹.

Participation will be invited from contexts where there are significant challenges following due diligence in order to bring together committed and experienced individuals to trouble shoot and discuss ways forward.

Pre-event questions /survey to be shared with participants

n/a

Background Reading

1. [Sphere standard on Security of Tenure, 2018](#)
2. [Land Rights and Shelter Due Diligence Standard](#)
3. [The importance of addressing Housing, Land and Property \(HLP\) challenges in humanitarian response](#)
4. [Global HLP AoR Webinar \(youtube\) – HLP and CCCM, Dec 2018](#)

¹ To be confirmed