

# World Bank Group Strategy for Fragilty, Conflict and Violence (FCV) Consultation Meeting with Development Partners

## Feedback Summary

Date: 06/27/2019, 12.30 pm to 2.30 pm Location: Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso Audience: Development partners

Overview and Key Issues Discussed: The meeting was co-chaired by Metsi Makhetha UN Resident Coordinator/UNDP Resident Representative in Burkina Faso and Elisee Ouedraogo (WB Acting country Manager, Burkina Faso) who both welcomed the participants present in Ouagadougou and invited them for an open and productive session. Lionel Yaro (WB, Burkina Faso) moderated the session. Olivier Lavinal (WB FCV Group) presented the FCV strategy concept. Participants were then invited to express their views. The following summary highlights recommendations, comments and feedback raised during the meeting.

#### **Specific Feedback from Stakeholders**

#### 1. Overall

The co-chairs from the United Nations and the World Bank Group (WBG) welcomed participants and highlighted the close coordination between the UN and WBG, in line with the Pathways for Peace joint report that put a special focus on prevention. The humanitarian-development-peace (HDP) nexus structures the coordination between international organizations and proves especially relevant in FCV settings. The co-chairs insisted on the benefits of partnerships to be more effective on the ground. Overall, participants agreed on the potential for greater cooperation between multilateral, regional and bilateral organizations and welcomed this focus throughout the Concept Note. In their majority, participants highlighted the need for conflict-sensitivity in WBG programming and recognized the need to work collectively to promote peace and security. Some argued that the FCV Strategy was the opportunity to be even more ambitious and raise frontier issues such as access to small arms, illicit trafficking, money laundering or drug routes. The security-development nexus occupied center stage and participants encouraged the WBG to be as innovative as possible in this arena.

#### 2. Theme: Priority areas

Participants highlighted the following priority areas of engagement:

- The security-development nexus: how to work with security actors/on security issues
- The focus on prevention and early action mechanisms
- Strengthening the people-centric approach
- The legitimacy of the State and its capacity to respond to FCV challenges building resilience
- The need for a paradigm shift to move away from traditional models of humanitarian-mediation-development and build more integrated/inclusive peacebuilding frameworks
- Enabling private sector growth, with special focus on SMEs and women economic empowerment and on youth (to prevent violent extremism)

#### **Specific Feedback from Stakeholders**

- Operationalizing the linkages between knowledge (analytical products) and implementation
- Building more effective partnerships through national/local coalitions

## 3. Theme: Development efforts should support political processes

Participants insisted on the need for a multi-sector and comprehensive approach, especially in contexts marked by accelerating challenges like security, poverty, climate change, demographic pressures and social inequalities. Some participants highlighted the need for development efforts to support the political and security agenda and to provide economic and social development to stabilize societies and build resilience. The latter will be reinforced by strengthening national and local capacities and international organizations should ensure to invest in capacity-building. The French have developed the concept of defense-diplomacy-development (3 Ds) to reference the need for this comprehensive approach. to develop an alliance to maximize impact on the ground. Only collective efforts in favor of peace and security will yield some success. This multistakeholder approach should build on lessons learned and on experience from bilateral and regional actors.

## 4. Theme: Learning from successes and failures

Participants outlined the importance of learning from experience. They encouraged the WBG team to design a theory of change that is realistic and results-oriented. WBG programming should focus on strengthening institutions and on prevention, especially in lagging regions and frontier areas, all critical areas of intervention. This will also help to inform the comparative advantages of the respective organizations and to enhance operational effectiveness.

## 5. Theme: Partnering for Impact

Particiants emphasized the importance of partnerships across all levels and the need to build coalition of actors (alliances) to implement. From prevention to crisis response mechanisms, the benefits of coordination and partnerships appear all the greater in contexts marked by FCV. Operationalizing these partnerships may remain a challenge (at times) but participants showed optimism as the convergence of views on the anaylises of root causes and drivers of fragility seem to converge. The comparative advantage of the WBG was welcomed in a number of focus areas, including on working with the private sector, and sets the stage for effective partnerships and impactful strategy.

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12	BOGLIETTO Julien	AFD
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