

World Bank Group Strategy for Fragility, Conflict and Violence (FCV) Multistakeholder Consultation Meeting

Feedback Summary

Date: 25 April 2019

Location: Dag Hammarskjold Foundation (DHF), New York

Audience: Civil society/UN/donor country representatives

Overview and Key Issues Discussed: World Bank Group representative Alexandre Marc thanked DHF for hosting the consultation and the participants for being present. He then presented the FCV strategy concept. Participants were invited to ask questions and to express their views. For purposes of conciseness, the following summary highlights comments and recommendations that were provided by individual representatives. Collective comments and recommendations are noted as such.

Specific Feedback from Stakeholders

1. General Comments

- Welcome the prevention focus and the UN-WB partnership. Focus on comparative advantages.
- How do we join up better at field level and how do we direct resources better at the field level?

2. Violence

- How to tackle interpersonal violence and gang-related instability? It is important to engage with the countries with the highest levels of violence and tackle the sources (organized crime) and not just the symptoms (violence).
- Regional collaboration in LAC is at an all-time low. So, both politically and operationally, how will this strategy seek to change the approach?

3. Partnerships

- Would not assume that the UN reform will change the way that WB and the UN collaborate.
 The UN talks about development, not conflict and peace also in the profiling of the Resident Coordinators.
- The funding behavior the way donors fund the UN (in particular the development system) limits the flexibility of the UN to be the type of partner that the WB is seeking.
- How to do better joint analysis? And how to gather the international community around these analyses? How to prioritize individual countries for interventions horizon scan.
- Local partnerships: Building longer term capactieis. In Somalia we have seen that the entities that received thematic funding a few years ago are now major players today.

4. Youth, peace and security

Specific Feedback from Stakeholders

- Focus on turning a demographic dividend into a peace dividend. Important to use youth as a
 catalyst for positive change not as a source of problems. Link to finance how can we get
 resources out of capitals and to border areas etc.
- What is the link between fragility and human capital framework from the Bank side?

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