



**World Bank Group Strategy for Fragility, Conflict and Violence (FCV)
Consultation Meeting in Washington, DC**

Feedback Summary

Date: April 12, 2019

Location: Washington, DC

Audience: Government representatives from various countries of the Africa region who attended the World Bank-IMF Spring Meetings

Overview: The World Bank Group (WBG) FCV Strategy concept note was presented by Mr. Franck Bousquet, Senior Director of the World Bank's FCV Group. Following the presentation, participants were invited to share their views. The summary below captures the key points, recommendations, comments and feedback raised during the meeting.

Feedback from Stakeholders
1. Overall
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome this initiative, and the fact that this represents a WBG Strategy that puts forward a coherent approach across the Bank, IFC and MIGA.
2. Key Areas of Engagement
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Important to consider how development actors can address the spillovers of FCV – such as forced displacement shocks – that have significant socio-economic implications.• Promoting good governance is an important issue that the Strategy should highlight as part of the WBG's engagement in FCV settings.• A tailored, FCV-sensitive, approach is crucial in FCV settings in order to effectively help countries escape cycles of violence and instability.
3. Drivers of Fragility
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Important to recognize and address different types of risks that can exacerbate fragility, including threats such as natural disasters.• The WBG's engagement in FCV settings should take into account the various drivers of fragility, including those caused by external shocks.
4. Partnerships
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Partnerships, particularly with the UN, are critical in crisis situations. This is important in order to ensure there are clear divisions of labor between different stakeholders and resources can be used most effectively.

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5. Additional Issues for Consideration

- Tailored training for staff working in FCV settings is critical and should be highlighted as part of the Strategy.
- Support to local private sector development in FCV settings is crucial – analytical tools such as Country Private Sector Diagnostics can help identify the constraints faced and ways to overcome them.
- Important to articulate the linkage between FCV and debt and macroeconomic challenges.

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