

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

Feedback Summary

Date: June 14, 2019

Location: Brussels, Belgium

Audience: CSOs

Overview: Franck Bousquet, Senior Director of the World Bank's Fragility, Conflict & Violence Group, presented an overview of the WBG's Strategy for FCV Concept Note. Participants then shared their views and recommendations. This summary captures the key points, recommendations, and feedback raised during the meeting. The meeting was co-organised with the European Peacebuilding Liaison Office and the discussion was moderated by Veronique Jacobs, from the WBG Brussels office.

Specific Feedback from Stakeholders

1. Consultation Process

- Participants welcomed that the WBG is consulting at an early stage with an inclusive, open approach.
- Critical to consult with countries affected by FCV.

2. Operationalisation of the Strategy

- Important that the Strategy focuses on the "how", to ensure a successful operationalization.
- CSOs should continue to be involved during the operationalisation of the Strategy.
- Important to clarify the WBG's appetite for greater risk taking in FCV.
- Key to address the issues of access and presence in the field (+ appropriate training) in the operationalization.
- Critical to remain agile and flexible.
- Important to address the due diligence aspects, which come out strongly in the concept note.

3. Definition of FCV

• Important to clarify the definition of FCV, acknowledging the different situations.

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4. Prevention: Addressing drivers of FCV

- Strongly welcome the pivoting to prevention.
- Critical to focus on reconciliation and sustainable peace including for example through peace education to prevent conflicts or violence from reigniting.
- Critical to build trust and establish communication channels between citizens, civil society and institutions to empower and engage communities.
- Key to address inequalities (incl. gender inequality) and human rights as drivers/contributors, which must be taken into account in both the design and evaluation of programmes.
- Key to consider the geopolitical and political economy context to inform programming.

5. Partnerships

- Critical to further explain how the WBG will partner with other actors (e.g. the EU, CSOs, etc.), including with the state and non-state actors when the state is contributing to FCV challenges.
- Importance of conducting joint fragility assessments to ensure coordination and a contextappropriate reponse.
- Critical to identify key entry points and be selective, in order to determine what issues can bring people around the table.

6. Data, Assessments and M&E

- Need to disaggregate data, at least related to age and gender, to target interventions.
- Importance of ensuring that joint fragility assessments are continuously updated and linked to evidence and data.
- Key to do both peace-mapping and conflict analysis.
- Need for M&E to focus on tangible outcomes, balancing qualitative and quantitative indicators and ensuring they are aligned with Agenda 2030.

7. Additional issues

- Welcome the One World Bank Group approach.
- Welcome the focus on "Do not harm approach". Important to reflect on the role and value added of the WBG in each situation, leaving the possibility of admitting that the WBG is not always the right actor to intervene.
- Welcome the focus on gender and youth.
- Emphasis on human security should come out more centrally.

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- 7. Nicolas Rougy, Senior EU Representative & Advisor, Interpeace
- 8. Nura Detweiler, Policy Officer, Bahá'í International Community
- 9. Giovanni Guidotti, General Secretary DREAM Programme, Comunita di Sant'Egidio
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