

World Bank Group Strategy for Fragility, Conflict and Violence (FCV) Consultation Meeting in Copenhagen, Denmark

Feedback Summary

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Location: Copenhagen, Denmark

Audience: Government Representatives

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, to representatives from the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs. 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

• Welcome the development of the FCV Strategy, and support the strategic directions articulated in the Concept Note.

2. Areas of Engagement

- Important for Strategy to articulate how the WBG can work with governments to invest in periphery areas that are often contested and insecure.
- In FCV settings, it is critical for the WBG to engage proactively with countries on challenging issues, such as how to build trust and renew the social contract.
- Strategy should articulate how to provide support to marginalized and vulnerable communities, and how to engage with governments or non-state actors that can contribute to the exacerbation of FCV challenges.
- Welcome that the Strategy is focusing on violence key to address this challenge from a development perspective as well.
- The focus on gender is very welcome. The Strategy should continue to focus on sexual and reproductive rights, as well as promoting economic opportunities for women.
- The linkage between FCV and climate change is crucial, and should be addressed as part of the Strategy.

3. Private Sector Development in FCV

• Private sector investment is crucial, but important to ensure we invest in the right type of industries and companies. Adopting a conflict sensitive approach is therefore essential.

Feedback from Stakeholders

• Supporting the enabling environment for private sector development is critical (through lines of credit, regulatory environment, etc.) in order to support SMEs and foster foreign investment.

4. Partnerships

 The humanitarian-development-peace nexus is crucial, and welcome the Strategy's focus on how to strengthen cooperation and coordination with different partners.

5. Operationalization of the Strategy

• A more flexible and adaptive approach is essential in FCV settings.

6. Additional Issues for Consideration

 Strategy should explore the role of technological change and innovation in FCV, both in terms of opportunities and risks.

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