



**World Bank Group Strategy for Fragility, Conflict and Violence (FCV)
Consultation Meeting in London, United Kingdom**

Feedback Summary

Date: April 25, 2019

Location: London, United Kingdom

Audience: **Government Stakeholders** (Department for International Development, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Home Office, Ministry of Defense, Cabinet Office)

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. Operationalization of the Strategy
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Crucial to have concrete action plans – along the “4 P’s” – to fully operationalize the Strategy.• Important to clarify how the Strategy will measure success and how WBG programming is addressing the key drivers and impact of FCV.• Scaling-up engagement in FCV is needed, but this needs to be managed carefully given the high risks of operating in fragile and conflict-affected settings.• Creating ownership across the entire WBG is critical for the success of the Strategy. In particular, IFC and MIGA have an important role to play alongside the World Bank in FCV settings.• While increasing staffing presence in FCV-impacted countries is key, the Strategy should also address how to develop the right incentives to mobilize people, with the right skills, to work and pursue careers in FCV.
2. Programming
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strategy should help to mainstream fragility and conflict-sensitivity across the WBG portfolio.• Critical that risk and conflict analyses inform programming and change the way the WBG designs projects in FCV countries, as compared to projects in non-FCV countries.• Risk analyses are crucial for WBG projects, and could more regularly be shared with partners and key stakeholders to inform their programming as well.• Important for Strategy to address how the WBG can support relatively stable countries faced with subnational conflicts.
3. Prevention
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Focusing on conflict prevention, as well as addressing the long-term drivers of fragility, is critical.• Addressing the drivers of violent extremism is an important area to address as part the WBG’s prevention efforts.

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4. Partnerships
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Important to clarify the WBG's comparative advantage in conflict settings.• Partnerships with the UN, and in particular with UN Resident Coordinators, is crucial to enhancing on-the-ground cooperation on shared FCV challenges.

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