1. **The #ICVAPoP campaign to promote the Principles of Partnership:** On June 1, ICVA launched the #ICVAPoP campaign. The campaign is **calling on all humanitarian organizations to join the #ICVAPoP campaign and support of the Principles of Partnership.**

We encourage all Monthly Bulletin readers to support the Principles of Partnership and join the #ICVAPoP campaign, by sending an email to principlesofpartnership@icvanetwork.org confirming your organization’s support of the Principles of Partnership.

The #ICVAPoP campaign will feed into WHS consultations, with the goal to be included in the upcoming Secretary General’s report and to influence the WHS in May 2016.

You can contribute further to the #ICVAPoP campaign by: 1. Providing the ICVA Secretariat testimonials around Principles of Partnership; 2. Sharing the #ICVAPoP campaign amongst your networks; and 3. Tweeting #ICVAPoP on WHS and partnership related messages.

Visit the [#ICVAPoP page](http://icvanetwork.org) on ICVA’s website, the Principles of Partnership, the ICVA’s PoP campaign document and FAQs to find out more.

**Forced Displacement**

2. **Protection at Sea: Joint NGO Statement ahead of the Special Meeting on Irregular Migration in the Indian Ocean.**

In conjunction with APRRN, Action Aid, Oxfam, Mercy Malaysia, and World Vision, the ICVA’s Asia regional hub prepared a joint NGO statement ahead of the intergovernmental 'Special Meeting on Irregular Migration in the Indian Ocean', held on 29 May, hosted by the Royal Thai Government. The Statement was signed by 83 organizations representing over 600 NGOs and civil society organizations operating across Asia. The joint statement urged the Governments in Thailand, Malaysia, Philippines and Indonesia to ensure humanitarian assistance to migrants at sea, and develop solutions that address the root causes of irregular movements at sea.

ICVA would like to thank organizations that have endorsed and supported this statement. Click [here](http://icvanetwork.org) to access the joint statement. For more information, contact jamie.munn@icvanetwork.org

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ICVA continues to post NGO statements and resources on Protection at Sea - including on recent crises in the Mediterranean, the Bay of Bengal and the Andaman Sea. If you have documents to share, please contact louisa.shea@icvanetwork.org.

3. UNHCR Implementing Framework: Network Organization’s Meeting and roll-out: On 20-21 May in Istanbul, ICVA attended UNHCR’s Implementing Framework Network Organization’s meeting. Progress has been made on the development and implementation of the Framework. The main guidance notes have now been completed, with additional notes currently being finalized. Discussions also continue on the review of the UNCHR salary policy, with an update to be provided at the Annual Consultations. NGOs continue to provide important input to the drafting process through the NGO-UNHCR Working Group.

The roll out of the Implementing Framework involves several workshops at regional level over the coming months. For more information, please contact cecilia.roselli@icvanetwork.org or visit the ICVA website for the list of guidance notes, FAQs and roll-out calendar.

4. UNHCR-NGO Annual Consultations: The 2015 Annual UNHCR-NGO Consultations, to be held from 1 – 3 July in Geneva, are quickly approaching. The 2015 Annual Consultation will focus on the theme of ‘Solutions’. ICVA continues to take a lead role in support of UNHCR’s Annual Consultation with NGOs, and encourages NGOs to actively engage throughout the process. Please see below:

- **Twitter Q&A with Assistant High Commissioner for Protection**: In preparation of the UNHCR Annual Consultations with NGOs, the UNCHR Partnership Section is inviting partners to a Questions & Answers Twitter session with UNHCR’s new Assistant High Commissioner for Protection, Volker Türk on 11 June at 4.30pm (CET).

  The Q&A presents an opportunity to ask Volker Türk questions related to protection, and the AHC’s vision for UNHCR’s protection work. To ask your questions, send them to @UNHCRPartners, using the hashtag #UNHCRAskAHC. For more information, please visit the here.

- **Bloggers needed**: Building on last year’s introduction of social media at the Consultations, UNHCR is creating a blog for this year’s meeting. To all bloggers in the NGO community (old or new!), please contribute posts before and during the Consultation. Submit your contributions here. (Scroll down on the left to “Submit a blog post”).

- **Informal networking**: All NGO representatives actively involved in the Consultations (Session Focal Points, Note takers, Rapporteurs) are kindly invited to a networking social at ICVA on Tuesday 30 June at 18.00. Please contact louisa.shea@icvanetwork.org to RSVP. Access additional information (including background papers and

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latest agenda are available on the (UNCHR website)

5. IOM Consultations – registration deadline extended! The registration deadline for the IOM consultations with humanitarian NGO partners has been extended until 8 June. If you are interested in attending the IOM-NGO Humanitarian Consultations, please review the agenda and register online. The consultation will be held in Geneva on 30 June at the Institut de hautes études internationales et du développement (Graduate Institute). For more information on the partnership with IOM and - to play an active role in the panels please contact cecilia.roselli@icvanetwork.org

6. UNHCR’s 63rd Standing Committee: The UNHCR Standing Committee will hold its 63rd meeting from 24 - 26 June 2015, in Room XVIII at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, commencing at 10.00 each day. NGOs interested in attending should register before 15 June.

ICVA is coordinating the drafting of the NGO statement to the Standing Committee. If you are interested in joining the process please contact louisa.shea@icvanetwork.org in the coming days. The provisional annotated agenda is available here for members.

7. World Humanitarian Day - 19 August 2015 – #Follow Humanity: The 2015 WHD digital campaign is looking for inspirational and positive stories from affected people or humanitarians, showing the extraordinary resilience of people in crisis. To share your story, complete this form by 5 June. The campaign is an opportunity to amplify amazing stories and share them with a new audience - raising awareness about humanitarian issues. To widen its reach with celebrity and influencer networks, this campaign is looking for donated social media platform feeds. For more information about the WHD campaign, read this one-pager or contact secretariat@icvanetwork.org or Anna Jefferys (jefferysa@un.org).

8. Applying the Principles of Partnership in the Philippines: On 16 June, the ICVA Asia Hub will host a special dialogue, “Applying the Principles of Partnership in the Philippines,” as part of its Humanitarian Partnerships portfolio, contributing to the #ICVAPoP campaign. The special dialogue will focus on different types of partnerships, considering how the Principles of Partnership can root partnerships in mutual accountability. The dialogue will result in case studies contributing to the #ICVAPoP campaign and the WHS. Please contact jamie.munn@icvanetwork.org for more information.

9. World Humanitarian Summit

• WHS discussion between Member States and NGOs:
   In preparation for the World Humanitarian Summit global consultation in Geneva, ICVA has initiated a series of informal consultation between Member States and NGOs. These events provide an open exchange on emerging recommendations and considerations prior to the release of
recommendations and considerations prior to the release of Secretary General’s report before the Geneva consultation in October 2015. If Geneva based NGOs and Member States are interested in participating in these discussions, please contact raphael.gorgeu@icvanetwork.org

- **WHS Central and South Asia consultations**: National consultations are underway across Central and South Asia, and will continue throughout June. If you have operations in this region and would like to contribute - please – ensure your voice contributes to regional discussions by completing this [online survey](mailto:). For more information about the consultation process, please contact jamie.munn@icvanetwork.org.

- **WHS MENA regional business consultation**: On 3 May, ICVA participated in a MENA consultation between humanitarian agencies (UN and NGOs) and representatives of the private sector. The one-day event held at the International Humanitarian City was co-organized by OCHA’s partnerships section. Throughout discussions, ICVA insisted on the relevance and application of the Principles of Partnership when engaging with the private sector. Participants from both the private sector and humanitarian agencies requested regional focal points to facilitate opportunities for orientation and partnership development. See the summary report [here](mailto:).

### Humanitarian Coordination

**10. L3 classification in CAR, South Sudan and Iraq**: Throughout May, the IASC Principals discussed the L3 classification in CAR, South Sudan and Iraq. The decision was made to discontinue the L3 classification in CAR, and extend the L3 classification in South Sudan and Iraq for a further three months. For further information, members can access the full report [here](mailto:).

Discussions highlighted the need for further clarification on the L3 mandate and criteria. IASC Principals agreed to: 1. Develop standard criteria for de-activation of an L3 classification; and 2. Communicate with partners and donor of the L3 rationale as a vehicle to mobilize surge capacity and scale-up delivery of assistance and protection to people in need.

Through the IASC, ICVA will continue to engage in dialogue pertaining to the L3 classifications. Please contact raphael.gorgeu@icvanetwork.org for more information.

**11. IASC Principals meeting and new Emergency Relief Coordinator**: ICVA participated in an IASC Principals meeting, held in Nairobi from 21-22 May. Stephen O’Brien, who commenced his role as ERC from 1 June, was present as an observer. Please access the meeting agenda [here](mailto:). Minutes will be available soon.

ICVA took this opportunity to engage with Stephen O’Brien firstly in Nairobi, followed by the Humanitarian Coordination Retreat in Montreux, and through facilitating a meeting with NGOs on 29 May in Geneva.

Over the course of these meetings, ICVA: 1. Promoted the importance of NGOs and NGO consortiums as key interlocutors;
2. Emphasizing the need for a stronger focus on ‘operationality of aid’; and 3. Highlighted the need for stronger engagement in shaping the future humanitarian landscape. Please contact raphael.gorgeu@icvanetwork.org for more information.

12. **Operational Peer Review (OPR) in Iraq and Syria**: In May, ICVA’s MENA Regional Representative joined the OPR team in Iraq. In line with the Transformative Agenda, the Review focused on four main areas of the Iraq response—leadership, coordination, the humanitarian program cycle (including delivery) and accountability to affected people. An additional focus on the situation of girls and women was included. The team met with a wide range of stakeholders—including Government representatives. Members of the team travelled to Baghdad, Erbil, Dohuk and Suleymaniah, and connected remotely with Kirkuk and Basra. OPF findings will be released in one month, once the HC/HCT provides feedback on the draft report. The Syria OPR is currently underway, with participation from NGO representatives including InterAction and IRC.

### Humanitarian Financing

13. **Update on the High Level Panel on Humanitarian Financing**: On 2 June, ICVA Humanitarian Financing Working Group members met with Danny Sriskandarajah, Secretary General of CIVICUS: World Alliance for Citizen Participation. Danny is one of the two representatives from civil society appointed to the HLP. ICVA is acting as the focal point for NGOs and NGO networks to coordinate key NGO messages into the HLP. The HLP ToR and full list of HLP members is available on ICVA’s website.

The Panel will examine humanitarian financing challenges and identify ways to close the gap between rising humanitarian needs and limited available resources. The HLP will generate solutions for more timely and predictable funding, and address how resources can be used more effectively. The Panel will submit its recommendations to the UN Secretary General in November 2015, and input into World Humanitarian Summit discussion. Come and join ICVA to influence this process! Please contact cecilia.roselli@icvanetwork.org for more information.

14. **The Future of Humanitarian Financing**: On 14 May, the Future of Humanitarian Financing (FHF) initiative, launched its report “Future Humanitarian Financing: Looking Beyond the Crisis”. This report provides a strong analysis of financing issues - and will be included as the basis for upcoming studies, whilst contributing, to the High Level Panel Please visit here for more information, and to access the full report.

15. **UNICEF Programme Cooperation Agreement (PCA) training**: A one-day training on UNICEF’s new PCA was held in Amman on 14 May, coorganized by UNICEF’s regional office and ICVA’s MENA hub. The training's objective was improve knowledge on UNICEF and NGO partnerships. In support of this training ICVA reached out to both existing UNICEF partners and potential national NGO partners across the region. Approximately 30 NGO representatives from national and international NGOs attended.

16. **Important Humanitarian Financing consultations throughout June**! June welcomes a very intense for
Humanitarian Financing, with ICVA playing a key role in the organization of these events and encouraging NGO engagement across all platforms:

- **Country Based Pooled Funds (CBPF) OCHA- NGO Platform**: The next meeting will be held in Geneva on 15 June.
- **IASC Humanitarian Financing Task Team Mid Year Retreat**: The retreat will take place on 16 June in Geneva.
- **Pooled Funds Working Group**: The next meeting will be held on 18 June in Geneva.
- **The ECOSOC Humanitarian Segment**: Occurring from 16 – 19 June.

Agendas and background material for all meetings are available on [ICVA’s website](http://www.icvanetwork.org). Key discussions throughout these meetings will cover: the alignment of CBPF to the Humanitarian Program Cycle; sharing in-country experience of implementing the CBPF guidelines; creating a pooled humanitarian fund for front line responders (the ‘Global Facility’); and an update on Humanitarian Financing initiatives.

ICVA urges NGOs to actively contribute in these platforms and ensure NGO perspectives are included in emerging recommendations. Please contact cecilia.roselli@icvanetwork.org for more information and to participate in these sessions.

**New and Noteworthy**

17. **The Global Fund e-forum 2015**: As part of its 2017-2021 Strategy development process, the Global Fund is seeking partners’ feedback and suggestions through various consultations, including an online forum: the [Global Fund e-Forum 2015](http://www.globalfund.org/), representing an opportunity for all stakeholders to shape its strategy. The forum runs until 30 June. Sign up to join the discussions [here](http://www.globalfund.org/).

**ICVA Updates**

18. **ICVA Regional Members meetings**:

- Throughout May, [ICVA regional hubs in Asia and West Africa hosted their Regional Meeting of ICVA Members](http://www.icvanetwork.org/). These member meetings provide updates on ICVA’s work, discuss upcoming hub activities, and opportunities to coordinate on significant issues relevant to each region. If you would like to participate in future meetings, please contact jessica.darby@icvanetwork.org (in Asia) and liliane.bitong@icvanetwork.org (in West Africa). Minutes from these meetings will be uploaded to the [ICVA Asia](http://www.icvanetwork.org/) and [West Africa](http://www.icvanetwork.org/) hub sections shortly.
- Following the IASC Principals meeting in Nairobi, on 22 May, ICVA’s Chair and Executive Director held a short meeting with ICVA members based in East Africa. The meeting provided an opportunity to bring global issues to Members’ attention and for the ICVA Secretariat to hear of regional Members’ issues and interests.

**Upcoming Events**

4 June: Implementing Framework Workshop in Geneva
9 June: ICVA Forced Displacement Working Group meeting
15 June: OCHA-NGO Platform on Country-Based Pooled Funds (Geneva)
16 June: Humanitarian Task Team Mid-year retreat (Geneva)
17-19 June: ECOSOC Humanitarian Segment (Geneva)
18-19 June: Pooled funding Working Group (Geneva)
24-26 June: UNHCR Standing Committee Meeting on Protection
29 June – 1 July: Annual Tripartite Consultations on Refugee Resettlement (Geneva)
30 June: IOM Humanitarian consultations (Geneva) TBC

1-3 July: UNHCR NGO Annual Consultations 2015 (Geneva)
21-22 July: NGO Consortia Meeting (Ile de Goree, Senegal)
23 July: Humanitarian Principles Meeting (Dakar, Senegal)

21-22 September: UNHCR Standing Committee Meeting on Budgeting (Geneva)
5-9 October: UNHCR Executive Committee Meeting (Geneva)
16-17 December: UNHCR High Commissioner’s Dialogue on Protection Challenges (Geneva)