Country-based Pooled Funds

Country-based Pooled Funds (CBPFs) contribute to improved coordination and facilitate an inclusive, flexible, timely and efficient humanitarian response on the ground.

NGOs play a vital role in the implementation and governance of CBPFs through the delivery of projects and their participation in Advisory Boards and Humanitarian Country Teams.

The CBPF NGO Dialogue Platform was created in early 2014 and provides an informal forum for exchange between OCHA and NGOs vis-a-vis CBPFs. The Platform aims to complement the dialogue between OCHA and NGOs at country level and provides a space to tackle operational issues that affect all CBPFs and, as such, need to be addressed at the global level.

Objectives

- Policy – strengthening CBPF global policy to ensure that it is reflective of the views of a broader range of stakeholders, including national, regional and international NGOs;
- Operations and management - improving the effectiveness, accountability and transparency of CBPF management through strengthened policy and enhanced practice based on sharing of best practice and open discussion of challenges with NGO partners;
- Advocacy - developing joint advocacy between OCHA and NGOs in support of CBPFs, where appropriate.

NGOs are prominent actors in humanitarian response. Often they are the first responders on the ground before and after an emergency and they know better the context. Bringing in their expertise and know-how into the CBPF NGO Dialogue Platform will enable OCHA to ensure CBPFs are fit for purpose in different operational contexts.

Participation

NGOs interested in the topics on the agenda can participate in the meetings, and are required to identify staff members with the relevant expertise to contribute to meaningful discussion.