



AGENDA

2024 UNICEF-NGO Consultations: Partnering for Children in the Climate Crisis

16-17 April 2024 | Geneva, Switzerland

DAY 1:TUESDAY 16 APRIL 2024	
08:30 –	Registration (45 minutes):
09:15	Registration desk opens with light coffee and tea served for participants.
09:15 – 09:45	Opening Remarks (30 minutes) Welcome and overview of the UNICEF-NGO Consultations by UNICEF and ICVA leads, objectives of the consultation, thematic focus on climate and children. Objective: A short opening session with two senior speakers from ICVA and UNICEF to welcome the participants and briefly introduce the background of the consultations and set the objectives of the thematic focus: climate change, Humanitarian-Development Nexus, accountability to affected persons, community engagement and localisation. Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hazel De Wet, Deputy Director, Office of Emergency Programmes, UNICEF• Jamie Munn, Executive Director, ICVA• & pre-recorded message from Ted Chaiban, Deputy Executive Director, Humanitarian Action and Supply Operations, UNICEF Moderator: David Andrés Viñas, Humanitarian Advocacy Specialist, Division of Global Communication and Advocacy, UNICEF
09:45 – 11:00	Session 1: Climate change and children: Setting the scene (75 minutes) Objective: This session aims to frame the discussion by scanning the horizon of the needs of children affected by climate change and by presenting the climate change related humanitarian policies and programmes UNICEF and NGOs are currently implementing. Format: Moderated panel discussion, followed by Q&A. A panel discussion between UNICEF and NGO speakers to present the impacts of climate change on children, to update on what they are currently doing to address the current and projected impacts of climate change on children, to discuss challenges and opportunities and to consider where continued joint investment and advocacy is needed. Close session with 2-3 key takeaways/recommendations for UNICEF, NGOs, and the wider sector. Speakers:



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brigitte Rudram, Co-Lead of the Climate Hub and Climate Change and Resilience Specialist, Plan International • Sumnima Tuladhar, Executive Director, Child Workers in Nepal Concerned Centre (CWIN-Nepal) • Anurita Bains, Deputy Director (a.i), Programme Group, UNICEF <p>Moderator: Mirela Shuteriqi, Director of Policy, ICVA</p>
11:00 – 11:20	Coffee break
11:20 – 13:00	<p>Session 2: How to enhance UNICEF-NGO engagement on climate change, including supply chain anticipatory action, preparedness, and response (100 minutes)</p> <p>Objective: Linked to session 1, this session will encourage participants to discuss, in breakout groups, how UNICEF and NGOs can work better together to develop and implement (including scaling) policies and programmes that support children and their communities in addressing climate change, including strengthening supply chain management, preparedness and anticipatory action, and response. Furthermore, the participants will review the current UNICEF-NGO partnership processes related to climate change and other interconnected issues, present concerns, discuss collaborative approaches and provide suggestions on how jointly climate change can be addressed. Finally, the participants will identify 2-3 key recommendations per group.</p> <p>Format: Introduction and ignite talks, breakout group discussion and reporting back in plenary. The session will consist of an introductory presentation and 1-2 ignite talks to frame the breakout groups, followed by breakout group discussions. Returning to plenary, the breakout groups will report back on the main points of their discussion and present 2-3 key takeaways/recommendations for UNICEF, NGOs, and the wider sector.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mohammad Harun Rashid, Emergency Specialist, Office of Emergency Programmes, UNICEF • Emma Visman, Senior Advisor, Humanitarian Climate Crisis Initiative, Save the Children • Sebastien Truffaut, Programme Manager on Environmental & Social Safeguards (ESS), Programme Effectiveness, Data, Analytics, Planning and Monitoring, UNICEF • Shiraz Akhtar, Senior Climate Change Advisor, Gorakhpur Environmental Action Group (GEAG) <p>Moderator: Nishanie Jayamaha, Co-lead of the Climate and Environment Charter Secretariat</p>



13:00 – 14:30	LUNCH
14:30 – 16:00	<p>Session 3: Child-responsive and climate-informed Humanitarian-Development-Peace Nexus (90 minutes)</p> <p>Objective: This session aims to analyse the current challenges, highlight good practices, and identify ways forward and recommendations around how UNICEF and NGO partners can better collaborate across the Humanitarian-Development-Peace Nexus, with a focus on Disaster Risk Reduction.</p> <p>Format: Moderated panel discussion, group work and reporting back in plenary. This session will open with presentations by UNICEF and NGO speakers on how they work across the Humanitarian-Development-Peace Nexus, putting children and women at the centre, when responding to the climate crisis, before opening the floor to discussions on challenges and opportunities and possible ways forward in terms of joint investment and advocacy. Close session with 2-3 key takeaways/recommendations for UNICEF, NGOs and the wider sector.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yukiko Yamada Morovic, Technical Director on Climate Action, World Vision • Elisabethe Zerbo, Directrice de département et coordonnatrice de l'axe éducation en situation d'urgence, Association Tin Tua • Ndeye Marie Diop (Marie), Programme Specialist, Humanitarian Action, UNICEF <p>Moderators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yvonne Agengo, Senior Technical Advisor Child Protection, International Rescue Committee (IRC) • Samantha Cocco-Klein, Senior Climate Consultant, Humanitarian Programmes, UNICEF
16:00 – 16:20	Coffee break
16:20 – 16:50	<p>Closing of Day 1 (30 minutes)</p> <p>In this last session of Day 1, summarizes the key learning and action points of the day. The session will close with a few instructions for the next day.</p> <p>Speaker: Luc Chauvin Chief of Inter-Agency & Humanitarian Partnerships, Office of Emergency Programmes, UNICEF</p>
<i>Free time before reception</i>	
17:30 – 18:00	Networking and Reception



DAY 2: WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL 2024	
08:30 – 09:00	Welcome tea and refreshments
09:00 – 09:15	Introduction to Day 2 (30 minutes) Quick housekeeping, wrap-up and takeaways from Day 1 & Introduction to Day 2 Speaker: Mirela Shuteriqi, Director of Policy, ICVA
09:15 – 10:45	Session 4: Accountability to climate-affected communities (90 minutes) Objective: This session aims to facilitate a discussion between UNICEF and NGO partners on how affected communities, especially children and youth, are involved and engaged with in the design of programmes, including climate-related programmes. By examining areas of collaboration and partnership, the session aims to identify and address barriers and, through the provision of recommendations and ways forward, enhance collective efforts in promoting AAP. Format: Introduction in plenary, followed by group discussions, followed by reporting back in plenary. This session will open with short presentations by UNICEF and NGO speakers on how they engage with affected communities and vice versa how affected communities are involved. Participants will then move to breakout groups to discuss challenges and opportunities and possible ways forward in terms of joint investment and advocacy on AAP. A short reporting back in plenary is also foreseen. Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tanya Wood, Executive Director, CHS Alliance • Tatenda Songore, Executive Director, Youth Advocates Zimbabwe • Charles Antoine Hofmann, Senior Advisor on Accountability to Affected Populations, Office of Emergency Programmes, UNICEF Moderator: Nisar Syed, Chief, Global Cluster Coordination Unit, Office of Emergency Programmes, UNICEF
10:45 – 11:05	Coffee break
11:05 – 12:30	Session 5: Promoting partnership with local actors, including marginalised groups, in responding to climate-affected children (85 minutes) Objective: This session focuses on analysing and understanding how local actors, communities and marginalised groups as well as the local organisations representing them can promote principled partnership in addressing the impacts of climate change, and how UNICEF can support this. The aim is to agree on 2-3 key takeaways/recommendations for UNICEF, NGOs and the wider sector in strengthening partnership with local actors.



	<p>Format: Ignite Talks (4x), followed by Q&A, followed by thematic breakout group discussions, followed by reporting back in plenary. After presentations/ignite talks given by UNICEF and NGO colleagues, in particular from local actors and organizations representing marginalised groups, including persons with disabilities and indigenous persons, the participants will split into breakout groups to discuss best practices and how jointly they can enhance each other's capacities toward realizing localisation objectives. In the breakout groups participants will explore: capacity-sharing, working with marginalised groups, the cascading of funding, issues on risk transfer/risk sharing and the participation of local actors in coordination mechanisms.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jameel Abdo Ali Hodish, CEO, Tamdeen Youth Foundation (TYF) • Ana Karina Pérez Peñate, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Professional, Fundación Para el Saneamiento, Ambiente, Higiene, Emprendimiento y Desarrollo Sostenible (SAHED) • Philimon Majwa, Humanitarian Policy Specialist, Office of Emergency Programmes, UNICEF • Kirstin Lange, Programme Specialist part of the Disability Inclusive Humanitarian Action team, Children with Disability section, UNICEF <p>Moderator: Smruti Patel, Co-Director, Global Mentoring Initiative (GMI) and International coordinator for Alliance for Empowering Partnership (A4EP)</p>
12:30 – 13:30	LUNCH
13:30 – 15:00	<p>Session 6: Quality funding & equitable partnerships (180 mins)</p> <p>Objective: In order to improve outcomes for climate-affected children and beyond, quality funding and equitable partnership are essential. They also serve effective localisation and accountability to affected people. A scoping study carried by ICVA received over 700 responses from UNICEF partners and showed that NGO partners are enthusiastic to collaborate with UNICEF on topics such as bridging the funding gap, advocating to donors for more quality funding, and aligning funding across the nexus. The study also showed that areas to strengthen in partnerships between NGOs and UNICEF include overheads, multi-year flexible funding, communication and transparency, and consistency in implementation of guidelines. The participants will jointly highlight good practices, identify barriers and challenges and ways how to address these and formulate recommendations on how quality funding and equitable partnerships can be taken forward and jointly strengthened.</p> <p>Format: Moderated panel discussion, followed by Q&A, followed by thematic breakout group discussions, followed by reporting back in plenary. This session will open with short presentations by UNICEF and NGO speakers on their subject of focus, before opening the floor to questions and comments and breaking out</p>



	<p>to groups focused on identified challenges, opportunities and possible ways forward in terms of quality funding and equitable partnerships.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bethan Gilbert, UN Donor Compliance Manager, Save the Children• Niklas Rieger, Crisis & Humanitarian Co-Lead, Development Initiatives• Assem Chreif, Head of Programs, The Lebanese Organisation for Studies and Training (LOST)• Guillaume Sauval, Senior Adviser, Government Partnerships, UNICEF• Fitsum Assefa, Chief, Programme Implementation Unit, Programme Effectiveness Team, UNICEF <p>Moderators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Elise Belcher, Senior Policy & Engagement Advisor (Humanitarian & Crisis), Development Initiatives• Vania Gobbo, Policy Officer, ICVA
14:50 – 15:10	Coffee break
15:20 – 16:30	Session 6: Quality funding & equitable partnerships cont'd
16:30 – 17:00	Closing Remarks (30min) Next steps and closing of the conference. <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hazel De Wet, Deputy Director, Office of Emergency Programmes, UNICEF• Jamie Munn, Executive Director, ICVA <p>Moderator: Luc Chauvin Chief of Inter-Agency & Humanitarian Partnerships, Office of Emergency Programmes, UNICEF</p>