



THE GRAND BARGAIN: IMPLEMENTING A HUMANITARIAN DEAL TO LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND

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MODERATOR:**François Goemans**

International Director, Donor Relations,
Action Contre La Faim

Action Contre la Faim introduced the Grand Bargain process, its work streams and the need to see beyond the humanitarian sector by raising awareness among the development community.

**SPEAKERS:****Androulla Kaminara**

Director of DG ECHO Directorate C

ECHO presented its role within the Grand Bargain process as signatory of the initiative and co-convener on the joint needs assessment with OCHA, and announced the current priorities and progress made on some of the work streams.

**Julian Srodecki**

Director of Innovative Financing -
Humanitarian and Emergency Affairs,
World Vision International

World Vision presented the main opportunities for NGOs to work under multiyear funding and planning programmes.



Alexander Sultan-Khan

Desk Officer, Federal Foreign Office of Germany (Auswärtiges Amt)

Germany also presented its role as signatory of the Grand Bargain and co-convenor with ICVA on harmonized and simplified reporting and the progress made on the reporting pilot template launched on 1st June.

**Win Tun Kyi**

National Director, Karuna Mission Social Solidarity (KMSS) – Caritas Myanmar

Caritas Myanmar demonstrated the importance of connecting the localization work stream to the field reality in order to make it a successful and inclusive implementation.



The Grand Bargain is a timely response contributing to address the significant increasing demand for humanitarian aid and the subsequent financing gap. It attempts to reform the humanitarian system in terms of transparency, inclusiveness, effectiveness and efficiency. The Grand Bargain also includes specific commitment aiming at bridging the gap between the humanitarian and development sector.

The 10 different work streams are for the most part interlinked and synergies between them should be strengthened in order to avoid gaps and overlaps.

ECHO presented its priorities on the Grand Bargain process, announcing a target of 15 to 20% of funding for the use of Multiyear funding and planning within next year HIP 2018. This announcement was highly welcomed by the NGO community.

On the same topic, World Vision highlighted the opportunities for humanitarian NGOs to work under multiyear funding and planning programmes, bringing more predictability to enable organisations to retain capacity and relationships in a cost effective manner and addressing longer term challenges.

Harmonized and simplified reporting work stream progresses were presented by the German Federal Foreign Office. This work stream moved forward quite rapidly in the last year – a pilot phase has just been launched in three countries (Iraq, Myanmar and Somalia) testing out a harmonized reporting template. The overall objective is to reduce the administrative burden for partners.



Regarding the localisation work stream, it was argued by NGOs panelists that the role of local responders needs to be strengthened and better valued. As for today, field actors especially local NGOs are not involved enough in the implementation of the Grand Bargain creating a two speed process between high-level meetings in Europe and the reality in the field.

Consensus on Grand Bargain principles is welcome. A year after its launch, there's an urgent call for a contextualized implementation which would include all relevant actors at country or regional level working together to achieve the set objectives of the Grand Bargain.

The podcast of the session is available [here](#)

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The Grand Bargain: A Shared Commitment to Better Serve People in Need: official text [here](#)

Official Grand Bargain website (hosted by IASC) available [here](#)

VOICE Grand Bargain Task Force's recommendations to the GPPI report available [here](#)



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Key humanitarian actors discuss best practices, challenges and ways forward to make the Grand Bargain a reality