

STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

TOWARDS A MORE EFFICIENT HUMANITARIAN AID:
POOLING LOGISTICS RESOURCES



VOICE-The Grand Bargain and the drive for efficiency in the humanitarian sector

The RLH

- Network created in 2014
- 11 Head of logistics from international NGOs
- Main objectives of the network:
 - Lead advocacy actions to show the strategic role of humanitarian logistics
 - Optimization of humanitarian logistics through “mutualisation”(pooling resources)
 - Improve operational efficiency through a shared strategy



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RLH initiative to respond to the GB work streams



The Grand Bargain includes 10 work streams, three of which can be addressed in part by logistics:

WORK STREAM 4

'Reduce duplication and management costs with periodic functional reviews'

WORK STREAM 7

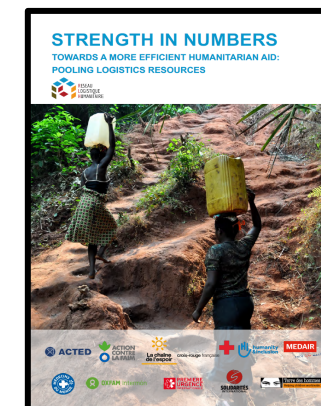
'Increase collaborative humanitarian multi-year planning and funding'

WORK STREAM 8

'Reduce the earmarking of donor contributions'

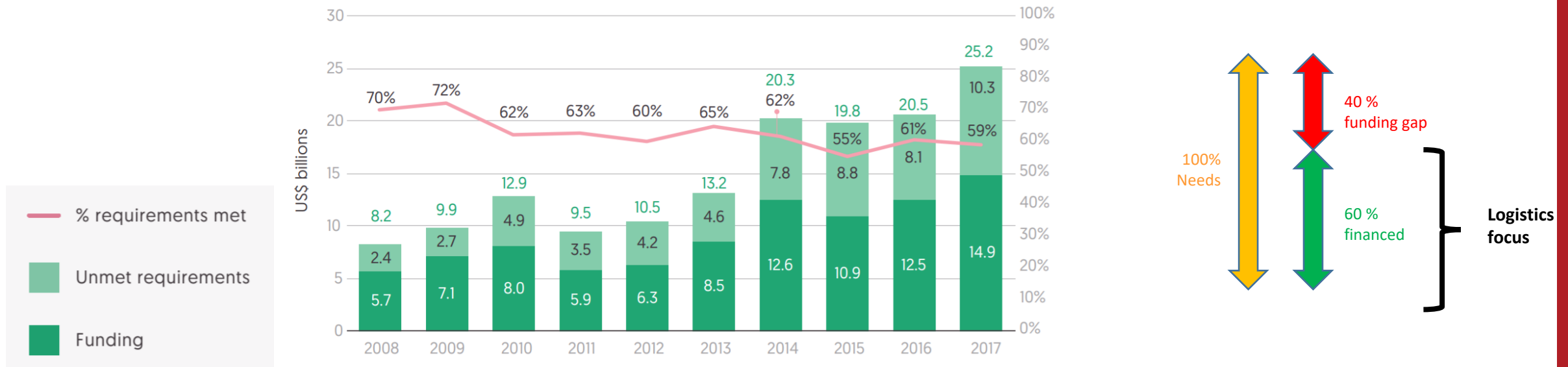


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Why Logistics has a role to play?

Requirements and funding, UN-coordinated appeals, 2008–2017



In 2018, 40% of humanitarian needs were not met because of a funding gap of nearly 10 billion (USD).

60-80% of humanitarian funding is managed through supply chain

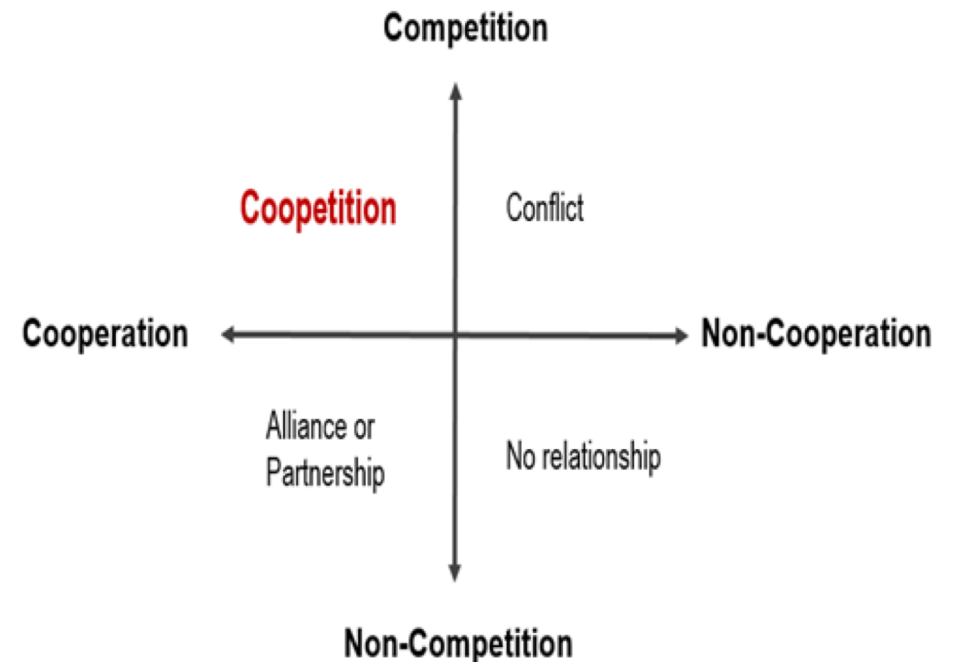
Adopt a strategic vision within each organization and amongst organizations

Tension on humanitarian resources is demonstrated, humanitarian actors are in increased competition:

- Institutional and private financing
- Human resources

Pooling logistics resources shows that, on the contrary, cooperation is a factor of efficiency, it is a win-win for each of the actors, for example:

- By pooling/ consolidating purchases to obtain a lower price
- By pooling expertise allowing us to access services



What do we mean by pooling logistics resources?



Pooling logistics resources is sharing resources, goods, means of transport in order to optimize those resources

The 3 levers to make it work

- Standardization of processes and tools
- Cost reduction for economies of scale
- Strategic alliances with structures

Examples where we can bring more efficiency



Warehouses



Transport



Fleet



Preparedness



Technical Expertise



Premises

Main Recommendations

- **Increase the percentage of multi-year, un-earmarked investments, particularly for pre-positioned emergency stocks and for disaster risk preparedness activities**
- **Invest in logistics pooling projects**
- **Invest in the development of common logistics management tools and indicators to encourage collaborative practices and the simplification of logistics chain management**
- **Give greater recognition to the humanitarian procurement centre (HPC) status of procurement centres to accelerate procurement procedures and enable organisations to better react to emergencies**

Any questions?