

INTERACTION WORKING GROUPS

Thematic Working Groups

Monthly Meetings

Food Security, Nutrition and Agriculture (FSNA) (Third Thursday of the Month @ 10:30 a.m.)

Julia Stafford, CARE; Laura Neumayer, Oxfam; Madeline Hanson, Mercy Corps

Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) (Third Wednesday of the Month @ 3:00 p.m.)

Ansley Moore, Global Health Council

Climate Advocacy (Last Thursday of the Month @ 2:00 p.m.)

Jared Markland, Islamic Relief USA

Civic Space (Third Thursday of the Month @ 1:00 p.m.)

Melysa Sperber, Solidarity Center

U.N. Partnerships (Second Tuesday of the Month @ 11 a.m.)

Laura Zimmerman, World Vision; Masood Karim, Save the Children; Fakhri Mansour, Save the Children

Forced Displacement Working Group (First Wednesday of the Month @ 10:00 a.m.)

Daniel Salazar, Global Refugee

Twice a Month

Public Policy Committee (Second Tuesday of the Month @ 3:00 p.m. *Virtual* and Fourth Tuesday of the Month @ 3:00 p.m. *In-Person*)

Jeff Mettelle, InterAction

Ad Hoc

Protection Working Group

Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Working Group

Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) Coordination Group

Staff Support for Thematic Working Groups

Below are the focal point designations for each respective thematic working group.

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- Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)
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- Food Security, Nutrition and Agriculture
- Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)
- Climate Advocacy

Country Working Groups

Monthly Meetings

Syria Regional Response (Third Tuesday of the Month @ 9:30 a.m.)

Co-chair: Hazem Rihawi; The White Helmets

Latin America and Caribbean (Third Wednesday of the Month @ 2:00 p.m.)

Co-chairs: David Cronin, CRS; Elizabeth Tregaskis-Gordon, Oxfam

Sudan Regional Response (Third Thursday of the Month @ 9:30 a.m.)

Co-chairs: Ellen Bevier, CARE; Dhabie Brown, NRC

Bi-Monthly Meetings - Odd Months (January, March, May, July, September, November)

Afghanistan (Second Wednesday of the Month @10:30AM)

Co-chairs: Ashley Johnson, World Vision; Anna Coffin, Medair

West Bank/Gaza (Second Thursday of the Month @9:30AM)

Co-chair: Craig Swandby, CRS

Bi-Monthly Meetings - Even Months (February, April, June, August, October, December)

Horn of Africa (First Tuesday of the Month @ 10:00 a.m.)

Co-chairs: Madeline Hanson, Mercy Corps; Ezana Teferra, ECDC

Ukraine Response (Second Thursday of the Month @ 11:00 a.m.)

Co-chair: Megan Rodgers, NP; Nicholas Noe, Refugees International

Yemen (Second Wednesday of the Month @10:00 a.m.)

Co-chairs: Scott Paul, Oxfam

Democratic Republic of Congo (Last Tuesday of the Month @ 9:30 a.m.)

Co-chair: James Standish, ADRA

Staff Support for Country Working Groups

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- Sudan
- Afghanistan
- Syria
- West Bank/Gaza
- Yemen
- Democratic Republic of Congo
- Ukraine

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- Horn of Africa
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