

# **UPDATE: Strategic Evaluation on Resilience**

# WFP's approaches to building resilience capacities – Examples from the field

The side event will take place virtually via ZOOM on Wednesday, 24, from 16:00 to 17:00

#### **Context & Concept**

The presentation and panel discussion in February 2021 will update the Executive Board members on the ongoing work by the World Food Programme (WFP) to respond to the Strategic Evaluation of WFP Support for Enhanced Resilience (SER). The session presents examples of WFP's approaches to building resilience capacities through integrated programming. Examples of the six integrated resilience approaches (or activity packages) – across development and emergency settings in response to different shocks and stressors – will be showcased. These showcases will illustrate how WFP builds the resilience capacities of individuals, households, communities, government and systems across its country programmes.

## **Objectives**

The presentation will:

- Raise awareness among the Executive Board membership and WFP staff on WFP's existing integrated programme approaches for building resilience capacities with its range of programme activities.
- Through a facilitated Q&A session, introduce participants to WFP's existing and evolving tools to support developing integrated approaches and implementation of activities to build resilience.

## **Agenda**

The presentations and Q&A panel discussion will take place virtually. The initial part of the session will be field presentations describing the different approaches that WFP employs to contribute to building resilience of individuals, households, communities, governments (or institutions) and systems. The field presentations will be followed by a moderated question-and-answer session. The reflections from technical experts and presentations from the field will introduce the evolving resilience analytical framework that supports country offices to incorporate an integrated resilience building approach in their programme strategies. The proposed presentation includes:

- Opening | Ms Valerie Guarnieri, Assistant Executive Director, Programme and Policy Development Department;
- **Resilience concepts and principles** | Dr. Mark A. Constas, Cornell University and Chair of Resilience Evidence for Decisions in Development Initiative (REDDI);
- WFP's approach to resilience building, examples from the field | WFP officers from six country offices.

**Delivering basic services** – Somalia

Food Assistance for Assets Plus – Zimbabwe

Human capital and livelihoods – El Salvador



**Convergence approach** – Niger

**Strengthening value chains and market systems** – Kenya

**Strengthening social protection** – Philippines

- Facilitated discussion with panel members on 'WFP's resilience building approaches and analytical framework, how does this benefit programme design?'
  - o Mr David Kaatrud, WFP Director, Programme Humanitarian and Development Division
  - o Dr Jonas Heirman, Evaluation Officer (Impact Evaluation), OEV
  - Mr Ronald Tran Ba Huy, WFP Deputy Director, Research, Assessment and Monitoring Division/ (RAM); and
  - Mr Oscar Ekdahl, Programme Policy Officer (Head of Resilience), Regional Bureau Cairo and Working Group chair.