WFP’s Approaches to Resilience Monitoring and Measurement: Examples from G5 Sahel, Sri Lanka and Zimbabwe

Side event on the margins of the Second Regular Session of the Executive Board
Wednesday, 17 November 2021, 13:30 – 14:30
Virtual event on Zoom

You are kindly invited to the side event on Wednesday, 17 November 2021 which will be moderated by Ms. Delphine Dechaux (WFP Chief, Asset Creation, Livelihoods and Resilience Unit, PROR-L). The event will feature presentations by international experts on resilience measurement. Ms Lena Weingärtner (ODI) will first present the vision and steps forward for resilience measurement in WFP. Dr Mark Constan (Cornell University) will present WFP’s new five-step approach to resilience monitoring and measurement that he developed in collaboration with WFP’s Research, Assessment and Monitoring (RAM) and Programme – Humanitarian and Development (PRO) Divisions. Monitoring officers from Sri Lanka, Zimbabwe and RBD, representing the G5 Sahel, will then describe how the five-step approach to resilience monitoring and measurement has been applied to their integrated resilience programmes. The presentations will be followed by a moderated panel discussion.

Context

The presentation and panel discussion on 17 November 2021 is a follow-up on the February side event, which presented examples of World Food Programme’s (WFP’s) approaches to building resilience capacities through integrated programming. The November side event will update the Executive Board members on the ongoing work by WFP to enhance its resilience monitoring and measurement, emphasising the growing knowledge and capacity of WFP in the area of resilience building as part of WFP’s 2022-2027 Strategic Plan. The session presents WFP’s five-step approach to resilience monitoring and measurement, using examples from G5 Sahel and two pilot countries, Sri Lanka and Zimbabwe.

Objectives

The virtual side event will:

- Deepen the understanding among the Executive Board membership and WFP staff on WFP’s evolving approach to resilience monitoring and measurement.
- Through a facilitated Q&A session, introduce participants to WFP’s new and growing tools and knowledge to support resilience monitoring and measurement.

Agenda

- **Event welcome**
  Ms Valerie Guarnieri, Assistant Executive Director, Programme and Policy Development Department;

- **Opening**
  Ms Elke Löbel, Commissioner for Refugee Policy and Director for displacement and migration, crisis prevention and management, the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and
• **Steps forward for resilience monitoring and measurement in WFP**  
  Ms Lena Weingärtner, Research Associate, Global Risks and Resilience, ODI;

• **A five-step approach to resilience monitoring and measurement**  
  Dr Mark A. Constas, Cornell University and Chair of Resilience Evidence for Decisions in Development Initiative (REDDI);

• **WFP's resilience monitoring and measurement and examples from the field**  
  WFP programme and monitoring officers from Sri Lanka, Zimbabwe, and RBD representing the G5 Sahel; and

• **Facilitated discussion with panel members on 'WFP's approaches to resilience monitoring and measurement, how does this benefit programme design?';**  
  › Mr Ronald Tran Ba Huy, WFP Deputy Director, RAM;  
  › Ms Jennifer Nyberg, WFP Director, CPP; and  
  › Mr Volli Carucci, WFP Director, Resilience and Food Systems Service, PROR.

• **Reflections and closing on resilience building as part of WFP's Changing Lives**  
  Mr David Kaatrud, WFP Director, PRO.