THE ALLIANCE
FOR CHILD PROTECTION
IN HUMANITARIAN ACTION

Annual Meeting 20-22 June 2022
Abstract Submission Form

Theme: Promoting the Centrality of Children and their Protection in Humanitarian Action through Accountability, Localisation and Working Across Sectors

The Alliance for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action's strategy ***A Clarion Call: the Centrality of Children and their Protection within Humanitarian Action 2021-2025*** outlines four strategic priorities:

1. Accountability to children
2. Localisation – transforming how child protection works in humanitarian action
3. Multi-sector and integrated programming and collaboration
4. Prevention

Additionally, there is an exploratory or 'looking ahead' focus on the climate crisis.

This year's online annual meeting will be an opportunity to inform and drive the transformation of the Alliance strategy into a concrete and ambitious strategic plan. This will be done by exploring the strategic priorities of the Alliance including how they interrelate and reinforce each other in conceptual and practical ways. As the Alliance's 2021 annual meeting focussed on the theme of Prevention, emphasis will be placed on priorities 1, 2 and 3 as well as the climate crisis, but a focus on prevention within presentations is encouraged.

Guidance: You will find below: 1) A form to complete with information about your presentation and presenter - **deadline 15th April 2022** to annualmeeting2022@alliancecpha.org; 2) Suggested areas of focus (under each of the strategy priorities) for you to think about when completing the form and preparing your presentation. We will use the form to develop an 'abstract' or summary of your presentation. The deadline for final presentations is 3 June 2022. We will agree with you on a deadline for a draft presentation. Before the annual meeting, presenters will need to attend a practice session.

Note: Abstracts from local / national organisations and/or highlighting the engagement of local actors in programmes are encouraged.

****Note for colleagues engaged in responding to an active humanitarian crisis: You may complete just the sections of the form with an asterisk* to give a sense of what you would like to present and we will consider this in lieu of the full form; although this is not a guarantee that you will be selected.***

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Priority 1: Accountability to children

GOAL: All humanitarian programmes are accountable to children and ensure their meaningful and equitable participation.

Suggested areas of focus:

- *Interagency efforts to promote meaningful action on accountability to children*
- *Efforts to ensure the meaningful and safe participation of children and young people within accountability mechanisms and wider humanitarian action*
- *Lessons from designing and implementing child-friendly and child-led accountability procedures within the child protection sector and with other sectors*
- *Lessons from child-led and community-driven prevention and response interventions*

Priority 2: Localisation

GOAL: The child protection sector transforms its way of working, rooted in the sharing of capacity, expertise, opportunity, and the intentional shift of power and resources to community, local, and national actors.

Suggested areas of focus:

- Plans developed and practical actions taken to share and shift power, influence, resources and leadership with community, local and national child protection actors across humanitarian action
- Efforts to explore and define what would be most useful in terms of funding to community, local, and national child protection organisations
- What flexible and direct funding to community, local, and national child protection organisations looks like in practice and its effectiveness in humanitarian response.
- Examples of meaningful and principled engagement with community, local, and national actors, in child protection prevention and response efforts in humanitarian crises, and in the development and contextualisation of child protection standards, guidance and tools.
- Opportunities that have been created to share and exchange knowledge and expertise between community, local, national and international actors across the child protection sector.
- Efforts to improve and expand the accessibility and diversity of learning opportunities that strengthen child protection technical expertise and grow institutional capacity.

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Priority 3: Multi-sector and integrated programming and collaboration

GOAL: Children's protection and well-being are prioritised within cross-sector collaboration, including within multi-sector and integrated programmes, and across all humanitarian action.

Suggested areas of focus:

- Efforts to encourage and promote increased prioritisation of child protection risks, data needs, and interventions across and within other sectors including as part of programming.
- Outcomes from initiatives with other sectors, including sector and initiative-specific learning.
- Action taken to share knowledge and capacity with other sectors to mainstream and integrate child protection within their programmes.
- Learning from initiatives designed to expand and facilitate access to capacity strengthening, learning, and development opportunities focused on working with other sectors.

The climate crisis: climate justice and child protection

LOOKING AHEAD: The climate crisis is the defining crisis of our time. The costs and consequences of our collective action and inaction will be felt most deeply by children.

Suggested areas of focus:

- What does the climate crisis mean for child protection and the future of humanitarian action?
- How can child protection actors best ensure the centrality of children and their protection within the climate action agenda – and that children's participation and agency is placed at the centre of climate-related decisions that affect them?
- Lessons from initiatives that support child-, youth-, and community-led climate-focussed initiatives and avoid reinforcing existing inequities in humanitarian financing and leadership?
- How will child protection interventions need to change and adapt to better respond to climate-related disasters, and how can the child protection sector prepare for this change?
- How can the strength of child protection prevention strategies and approaches to working with and contributing to stronger, more resilient communities and equitable national systems be leveraged to support action for climate justice?
- What will 'greening' child protection mean, including greener child protection interventions?

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Note: Please use full sentences, not bullet points

Presentation Information	
1. First Name (submitter)	
2. Family/Last Name	
3. Organisation Name	
3. Email address	
4. Full Name, job title and email address of the person who will present (if known and different from the person above)	
5. Speaker's biography (brief personal job history - if speaker is known) 75 words maximum	
6. Title of Proposed Presentation 1 sentence	
7. Format of the Session (please share your ideas for us to consider including any visual materials you could include)	
8. Theme of Presentation (underline the relevant options - multiple choices are possible)	• Research • Programming • Lessons learnt • Challenges and failures[1] • Emergency settings • Development settings • Other (specify)_____

[1] Please note that we are particularly keen to embrace presentations willing to share about failure and learning from it, as opposed to lessons learned which often have a minimal focus on challenges and failures.

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Note: Word limits are a guide as not all areas will be relevant. Maximum is 500 words.

Abstract / Presentation Summary	
8.1 <u>Underline</u> the priority theme from the Alliance strategy that your presentation focuses on (**multiple** choice possible)	• Mainstreaming • Accountability • Localisation • Climate Crisis
8.2 Briefly explain what the work was about – if a research project, explain the research question(s)	**50-100 words**
8.3 Describe the background / context (including objective of the work/research and its duration)	**50-100 words**
8.4 Why do you think other actors could benefit from this presentation and who do you think would most benefit?	
8.5 Describe the type of activities that the work involved (for research projects, describe the methodology)	**50-100 words**
8.6 Do you have evidence of outcomes and/or impact for children from the work (including methodology used to measure this)	**50-100 words**
8.7 If the work has a focus on one or more other priority areas of the strategy, please <u>underline</u> them and share more information	• Prevention (underline if primary, secondary or tertiary)[2] • Mainstreaming • Accountability • Localisation • Climate Crisis
8.8 Challenges / limitations	**50-100 words**
8.9 Lessons learnt / next steps	**50-100 words**

[2] "*Primary Prevention* addresses the root causes of child protection risks among the population (or a subset of it) to reduce the likelihood of abuse, neglect, exploitation, or violence against children. *Secondary Prevention* addresses a specific source of threat and/or vulnerabilities of a child who is identified as being at particularly high risk of abuse, neglect, exploitation, or violence, due to characteristics of the child, family, and/or environment. *Tertiary Prevention* reduces the longer-term impact of harm and reduces the chance of recurring harm to a child who has already suffered abuse, neglect, exploitation, or violence." A Clarion Call: The Centrality of Children and their Protection within Humanitarian Action 2021-2025.