CERF Advisory Group Meeting | 18 November 2020
Annotated Agenda

7:45 – 8:00  SESSION I: WELCOME TO MEMBERS

Objective
- Provide an overview of meeting agenda
- Introduce new members of the CERF Advisory Group
- Highlight key points made at the last Advisory Group meeting

Chair
- Ms. Marriet Schuurman, Advisory Group Chair

Documents
- Agenda
- List of CERF Advisory Group members
- Recommendations and Conclusions from June 2020 Meeting
- Summary Note from June 2020 Meeting

Speakers
- Ms. Marriet Schuurman, Advisory Group Chair
- Ms. Lisa Carty, Director of Humanitarian Financing and Resource Mobilization Division

8:00 – 9:00  SESSION II: CERF’S ROLE IN THE HUMANITARIAN LANDSCAPE

Objective
- Offer an opportunity to discuss with the Emergency Relief Coordinator the broader humanitarian landscape and the strategic direction of the Fund.

Chair
- Ms. Marriet Schuurman, Advisory Group Chair

Documents
- Update on Anticipatory Action
- CERF’s Innovative Response to COVID-19

Speakers
- Mr. Mark Lowcock, Emergency Relief Coordinator and Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs

Guiding Questions
- Global humanitarian needs: what is the outlook and how is the humanitarian system positioned?
- What has been the impact of COVID-19 on global humanitarian needs? How has CERF responded and what future role can CERF play?
- What lessons can be drawn from CERF’s role in Anticipatory Action pilots in 2020 and how is OCHA further implementing the four strategic steers?
- How does CERF anticipate that its funding during the coming year(s) will be impacted by the current and anticipated humanitarian challenges, including funding limitations?
### SESSION III: UPDATE ON THE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF CERF

**9:00 – 9:30**

**Objective**
- Brief on CERF allocations since previous AG meeting
- Highlight some strategic directions going forward
- Update CERF Advisory Group on cases of Potential Fraud

**Chair**
- Ms. Marriet Schuurman, Advisory Group Chair

**Documents**
- Overview of 2020 CERF Allocations
- CERF Annual Results Report
- Update on Cases of Potential Fraudulent Use of CERF Funds

**Speakers**
- Ms. Alice Armanni Sequi, Chief of Pooled Fund Management Branch

**Guiding Questions**
- What significant CERF allocations have taken place since the last AG meeting?
- What are key strategic directions the CERF will look to pursue in the next period?
- Are there any other significant updates, including fraud issues?

### SESSION IV: CERF RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

**9:30 – 10:15**

**Objective**
- Provide CERF 2020 income update
- Present initial perspectives on a CERF Resource Mobilization Strategy for 2021-2022
- Discuss Advisory Group support for CERF resource mobilization

**Chair**
- Ms. Marriet Schuurman, Advisory Group Chair

**Documents**
- Communicating CERF’s Value and Impact

**Speakers**
- Ms. Marcy Vigoda, Chief of Partnerships and Resource Mobilization Branch

**Guiding Questions**
- How is CERF’s 2020 funding situation and what is the outlook on resource mobilization for 2021 and 2022?
- What should be the focus of CERF’s 2021-2022 Resource Mobilization Strategy?
- What can the Advisory Group do to support resource mobilization for CERF?

### SESSION V: WRAP UP

**10:15–10:30**

**Objective**
- Agree on the main draft conclusions and recommendations to the Secretary-General

**Chair**
- Ms. Marriet Schuurman, Advisory Group Chair

**Speakers**
- Ms. Marriet Schuurman, Advisory Group Chair
- Ms. Lisa Carty, Director of Humanitarian Financing and Resource Mobilization Division