

## CORE GROUP MEETING March 15 2017 – 9:00 - 10:30 am, NY time Minutes

## Facilitator of the month: Gomer Padong, PhilSEN (Excuses)

Participants: Andrew Griffiths (Sightsavers); Javier Surasky (Cepei); Ariane Lim (PhilSEN); Naiara Costa (Together 2030 Secretariat). Pauline Lambou (LWA) joined the call but could not follow due to internet connections.

Excuses: Arelys Bellorini and Marggie Simo (World Vision); Gomer Padong (PhilSEN), John Patrick Ngoyi (JDPC), Kalisiana Kalisiana Buliruarua (Pacific WIN – Youth).

Considering that there were only four participants at the call, it was focused on updating and sharing information.

## (1) <u>Governance</u>

- Welcome and Introductions: New Core Group Members Newly elected members did not manage to attend the call.
- Letter of commitment to be signed by all Core Group members It was agreed that the letter of commitment should be shared by the Secretariat and Core Group members would return signed version by March 25.
- Enhancing strategic discussions within the Core Group Discussion on ways and approaches to organize Core Group meetings to promote more strategic discussions postponed to next meeting.

#### Action points:

- Secretariat to share letter of commitment and Members of Core Group to send signed version by March 25.
- Discussion on how to promote more strategic discussions at Core Group meetings to be included in next meeting Agenda.
- Andrew to verify if Sightsavers office in Cameroun could support Pauline's connection to Core Group meetings.
- (2) <u>National Voluntary Reviews How are Core Group members engaging?</u> This exchange was postponed due to the lack of quorum.

#### Action points:

- Include this exchange on next Core Group meeting agenda.



# (3) <u>HLPF</u>

• Update on Colombia Meetings: UNDESA Expert Group Meeting (March 25-26); Partners for Review (March 27-28) and Cepei/Together 2030 Meeting (March 29).

Naiara shared additional information about the UN DESA Expert Group meeting and the Partners for Review Meeting to be held in Colombia later in March. Javier updated the group on the preparations for the Cepei/Together 2030 meeting on non-state actors engagement on follow up and review planned for March 29.

- Update on HLPF:
  - Written Inputs Preparing T30 position paper Naiara informed the Group on the process in place to draft the official Together 2030 written inputs to the HLPF, lead by the Global Advocacy Working Group.
  - Perceptions Survey (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition) Naiara informed the Group about dissemination of the perceptions survey.
  - $\circ$  HLPF Draft Plan was not revised due to the lack of quorum.