

Stakeholder Group on Nutrition Accountability and Reporting *Terms of reference*

Purpose of the Stakeholder Group

To build a shared multi-stakeholder vision for tracking and reporting progress in nutrition globally through the Global Nutrition Report (GNR), and using this to enhance accountability.

Specific objectives

1. To agree the scope (audience, content, format, timing etc) of the Global Nutrition Report ;
2. To agree and oversee the mechanism for delivery of the GNR, including the independent expert group (IEG), who would be responsible for the content of the report, write the report and ensure its quality;
3. To consider critical data gaps in nutrition and agree and promote processes for supporting countries to address these;
4. To act as champion, build support and demand for the report to maximise its impact on accountability in nutrition.

Institutional status

The SG will be an ad-hoc group, convening key stakeholders from a range of constituencies. It will include a number of individuals some of whom are playing a leading role in the SUN movement but the group will have a global focus, going beyond SUN countries.

The SG'S role will be reconsidered in 2016 in the light of the changing international architecture on nutrition, and post 2015 priorities/ agenda.

Governance and Membership

The SG has two co-chairs selected by the group on an annual basis, and members, invited by the co-chairs. Membership should be calibrated to ensure extended buy-in and ownership of the GNR across different constituencies, while remaining small enough to allow for substantive contributions by members. It is expected to include:

1. Government representatives, individuals playing a leading role and/ or are supporting, national effort to address under-nutrition.
2. WHO, FAO, WFP and UNICEF as custodians of the key bodies of nutrition data globally, as well as a representative from UN Reach,
3. The Nutrition for Growth co-hosts: DFID, Government of Brazil, CIFF
4. SUN Movement Coordinator and UN Special Representative on Food Security and Nutrition
5. Representatives from civil society, business and international donor communities, identified through the relevant SUN networks and Lead Group
6. A representative of the Independent Expert Review Group for Every Woman, Every Child.

The SG meets quarterly, twice a year in person. Decisions of the SG are taken by consensus.

The SG has an Executive Committee of 10-12 members that will be responsible for liaising between the SG and the IEG. The Executive Committee will meet monthly through tele-conferences and feedback to the bigger SG. The Executive Committee is expected to include at least one representative from a low income country, a middle income country, a donor country, a UN organization, a CSO, the SUN business network, as well as the SUN coordinator and the SG co-chairs.

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Expectations of members

SG Members are expected to play an active role in the group, representing a key constituency, geography or technical expertise area. Members will be expected to review documents and provide comments to the Executive Committee prior to its monthly calls; attend quarterly, 60-90mn long conference calls. The SG discussion needs to be maintained at the strategic level and so alternates will not be accepted. Beyond the calls, members will be expected to contribute time and expertise in supporting the objectives of the group, such as championing the GNR and hosting or participating in country launches.

In addition to the above expectations, Executive Committee member will be expected to attend monthly calls with the IEG.