

ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE, APC MEETING: WORKSHOP CONCEPT (TIME – 2hrs)

BACKGROUND: At our last APC meeting, Paul Bode ran a session on Standards, and it was determined that this is an area where the ChildFund Alliance is quite weak. This is despite it being a key cross-cutting issue of most donors. Not only that, but climate change is already having significant impact on children in our programme areas. We need to both acknowledge the impact of climate change, and better factor environmental considerations into our work.

Some APC members have proposed that a position paper on the Environment and Climate Change (E&CC) is needed as a first step. Like the gender paper, this will give us a common understanding and build faith that across all our work, the environment is being considered.

A very early draft of a possible E&CC position paper has been written and we will discuss this during the 2-hr workshop. If people are in agreement to proceed with a position paper, we will use the information from our discussions to further work on the paper after the meeting, with the intention of finalising it and submitting it to the next CEO forum in November.

METHODOLOGY:

Martina will introduce the concept of E&CC and background to the session (10 min).

Three Alliance members will have 5 minutes each to tell us what they are doing concerning the environment and climate change. (Before the Dublin meeting we have asked the members to share programmatic examples from E&CC projects as well as from CP/Education/Health/IGA (other SDGs) projects where E&CC has been integrated. Three will be chosen as examples.)

Members will then work in four groups of three. Each group will work on the topic of how E&CC can be integrated in projects and programs that are not directly linked to E&CC or DRR (topics will be assigned to each group e.g. CP/Education/Health/IGA). The Environmental lens tool can be used for this (<https://slideplayer.com/slide/5873810/>) as a guide (if needed). 30 mins has been allowed for this activity.

They will then present back to the group (5min each) on what striving to be greener in our programs and projects actually could look like, in practice, under those topic areas.

This will follow with a 40 min discussion on the Position Paper. The purpose of this session is to agree on:

- The need for the position paper on E&CC
- The main contents and ChildFund Alliance's programmatic approach to E&CC (direct and indirect), with reference to the draft prepared and the information learned from the earlier part of the workshop. (We will put some structure into this session so we are not jumping all over the place.)

This session will end with an action plan and consultation process.

After the workshop Martina, Shona and Rosaria will draw a second draft of the position paper and put together a list of concrete examples of E&CC projects as well as E&CC integration.

TO DO BEFORE THE F2F MEETING: Read the early-draft Environment & Climate Change Position Paper. Read about the Environmental Lens tool. People who are asked to present case studies will be invited to prepare a 5min presentation (strict timing!).