

<b>LOCATION:</b>	Logistics Cluster - Rome, Italy
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<b>PARTICIPANTS:</b>	CRS, Global Logistics Cluster, ECHO, Fuel Relief Fund, MAF, IMC, Shelterbox, THW, UNICEF
<b>AGENDA:</b>	1. Situation Update 2. A.O.B.

### 1. Situation Update

- Hurricane Irma, a Category 5 storm, passed just north of the Dominican Republic and Haiti on 7 September 2017. The hurricane has now passed the north east coast of Cuba and is running north heading towards Florida.
- Although several countries in the Caribbean have been affected by the hurricane, the Logistics Cluster possible response focused on Haiti where wind, rains and landslides were expected to cut off major parts of the north. However, no major damages have been reported so far in Haiti and also the other affected areas are being monitored.
- The Global Logistics Cluster (GLC) is liaising with its partners in order to map potential needs and logistics bottlenecks. Organisations are invited to keep the Logistics Cluster updated with all available information in terms of access and available assets in the affected countries.
- A Logistics Officer has been deployed to the region and will land in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, on 9 September. In case needs arise, a coordination meeting at field level will potentially be held in the afternoon of Saturday, 9 September at WFP Country Office in PAP. Organisations interested, to contact [Faheem.Araie@wfp.org](mailto:Faheem.Araie@wfp.org) or [hq\\_im\\_rome@wfp.org](mailto:hq_im_rome@wfp.org).
- Organisations are also invited to share these minutes with the colleagues on the ground, communicating also that a mailing list at field level has been stored and all those interested to be included in the list can send an email to the above contacts.
- With the LET, the Logistics Cluster is looking into an option to move cargo on a free-to-user basis from Europe to Santo Domingo or another destination in the Caribbean depending on needs. Organisations interested in this opportunity to contact the Logistics Cluster by Monday 11 September 2017, 16:00 CEST.
- There are no customs clearance facilitation information at the moment; some documents dating back to Hurricane Matthew are available on the Haiti country [page](#).
- The Logistics Cluster is calling upon partners to indicate interest in cargo opportunities, potentially on a free to user basis, from Panama to one of the affected areas. Interest should be indicated to [hq\\_im\\_Rome@wfp.org](mailto:hq_im_Rome@wfp.org) before Tuesday 12 September 16:00 CEST.
- Fuel Relief Fund (FRF) reported that fuel and some truck capacity is available in Florida.
- Lack of fuel in the north of Haiti has been reported as a potential constraint to be confirmed.
- Negotiations with Airbus are ongoing, to provide flight hours for cargo movement and assessments. WFP and other organisations are also planning an assessment mission as soon as weather conditions improve.
- MAF will conduct a survey flight in the northern coast of Haiti and Dominican Republic in the next hours; a link with the results of the assessment will be shared with the Logistics Cluster and global partners once available.

- UNDAC team has been deployed to Jamaica; THW is part of the team and will share a mission report with the Logistics Cluster.
- UNICEF has started distributing in Antigua. Still waiting for assessment reports which will be shared once available.

### Preparedness:

- Within the Logistics Cluster [preparedness](#) project and in consultation with Logistics Cluster partners, Haiti has been selected as one of six disaster-prone priority countries. The Logistics Cluster and WFP have been working together in Haiti in supporting local authorities to augment national logistics response capacities through trainings and simulation exercise in the past six months.
- On this purpose and based on the network built with national authorities and partners in country, the Logistics Cluster is gathering all relevant information in terms of logistics infrastructures and assets as well as road conditions in order to map all data into the [Preparedness Platform](#). Organisations are invited to share all critical information about Haiti and other country possibly hit by Irma, with [hq\\_im\\_rome@wfp.org](mailto:hq_im_rome@wfp.org).

### 2. AoB

- With regard to the earthquake that hit the southern coast of Mexico, no international intervention has been called.
- *Next teleconference will be tentatively held on Sunday, 10 September at 15:00 CEST. If no relevant changes will be reflected within the next 36 hrs, the teleconference will be cancelled with a message shared through the mailing list.*

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