Working session on partner networks toward COP28

Global Logistics Meeting (GLM)
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WREC
Environmental Sustainability in Humanitarian Supply Chain

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Agenda

Time	Topic	Who?
0830-0835	1. Purpose of Meeting and Agenda	Mailin
0835-0840	2. Background on COP – what is it?	Marta
0840-0850	3. Opportunities at COP	Giuseppe Saba (IHC)
0850-0900	4. Value Proposition Ideas	Katherine / Marta
0900-0905	5. Breakout Group Facilitation	Marta
0905-0950	6. Breakout Groups	All
0950-1015	7. Outcomes from Breakout	Breakout Group Facilitators / Representatives
1015-1030	Next Steps	Mailin / Marta

Purpose of the meeting

1. Understand opportunities at COP28
2. Confirm Commitment to Joint Advocacy
3. Develop coordinated Value Proposition & Roadmap
4. Representation and Who will do what (Road to COP28)
5. What happens after? (The Road beyond the COP)

TORs - Logistics Networks Task Force towards COP28

Terms of Reference (TORs), May 2023

Logistics Networks Task Force towards COP28

Background

The humanitarian logistics community is largely represented across several networks, projects or groups of partners such as the International Humanitarian City, the United Nations Humanitarian Depots, the Logistics Cluster, Hulo, the IFRC and ICRC/societies, programmatic clusters led by such as health, wash and shelter coordinating large response and procurement of relief items, the IAPG, academia/research, IMPACCT, ESUPS, etc. These networks therefore represent the interest of multiple stakeholders working on common areas of interest and initiatives. In March at the invitation of the IHC, on the occasion of its 20th anniversary, some of these networks have taken the opportunity to gather and reflect on areas of common interest, synergies, and how we could enhance collaboration, starting with environmental sustainability and climate change towards COP 28. The annual Conference of Parties Convention (COP) 28 will be held in Dubai, UAE. During the initial meeting in Dubai, network leaders were asked to present their presence across supply chain areas and highlight specialist areas and work taking place on environmental sustainability in supply chains in an effort to coordinate a roadmap to COP 28. Out of the initial meeting in Dubai, a basic mapping was created (available via Mural here) and a task force towards COP28 was established in April 2023, in recognition of the key role that humanitarians can play in climate impact mitigation.

The task force brings together supply chain actors with the objective to present a common and coordinated value proposition on behalf of humanitarian logistics partners to the COP 28, contributing to the global stocktaking exercise of the progress toward implementation of the Paris Accord.

The Global Logistics Cluster-led Waste management and measuring, reverse logistics, environmentally sustainable procurement and transport, and circular economy (WREC) Project, which focuses on environmental sustainability in humanitarian logistics, will act as Secretariat for the project, monitoring the planning phase and following up on TORs, timeline, and milestones towards COP28. A project planning methodology will be adopted to ensure consistency and continuity across task force.

2. COP 28 - What is it?

Brief background:

- In June 1992, 154 countries signed the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) to reduce the speed of the climate change. Since then, a **total of 27 Conference of Parties (COP) meetings have been held** (almost) annually to discuss how exactly that should be achieved and monitor what progress has been made.

- At COP 3 – Kyoto (1997), the world signed the Kyoto Protocol, a binding document that aimed to reduce 5% of the greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions compare to 1990 from 2008 to 2012. However, the global emissions increased by 32% from 1990 to 2010.

- At COP 21 - Paris (2015), the world signed the Paris Agreement to limit global warming to 1.5°C, compared to pre-industrial levels by 2050. To that, greenhouse gas emissions must peak before 2025 at the latest and decline 43% by 2030.

COP 28:

- Place: Dubai (UAE)
- Date: from 30 Nov to 12 December 2023
- Objective: COP28 UAE will take stock of the progress on the Paris Agreement - Global Stocktake (GST).

Who participates?

- 199 Parties
- UN Agencies,
- NGOs and IGOs
- Press and Media

2. COP 28 – How to participate?

- Blue Zone: UNFCCC managed site, open to accredited party and observer delegates (UN, IGO, NGO). It hosts the formal negotiations and side activities.
  - Side Event: panel discussions, round tables, and cultural events.
  - Booth/Exhibition Presence
  - Advocacy & Talking Points - Executive leadership & donors
  - Press / media opportunities

- Green Zone: managed and delivered by the COP28 UAE Presidency. It offers a platform to non-accredited delegates (including youth groups, civil society, NGOs, the private sector, and indigenous groups to have their voices heard) to promote dialogue and awareness about climate action.

COP 28 Venue: Expo City Dubai – Blue and Green zone

2. COP 28 – Draft program

COP 28 Thematic days:

Date	Theme/Focus	Date	Theme/Focus
Nov 30	Opening		
DEC 1	World Climate Action Summit	DEC 7	Day of Rest
DEC 2	World Climate Action Summit	DEC 8	Youth, Education, and Skills
DEC 3	Health / Relief, Recovery, and Peace	DEC 9	Finance / Gender Equality
DEC 4	Nature, Land Use, and Oceans	DEC 10	Cities, Regions, and Urbanization / Transport
DEC 5	Food and Water Systems	DEC 11	No Thematic Day
DEC 6	Just Energy Transition / Industry / Trade	DEC 12	No Thematic Day

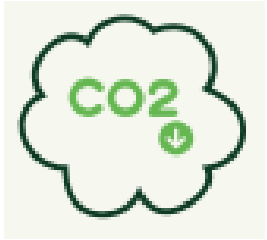
Paris Agreement Pillars:

- Loss and damage
- Climate and fragility
- Food systems
- Early warning and anticipatory action

3. Opportunities at COP 28

Giuseppe Saba. CEO and Board Member of Dubai International Humanitarian City - UNHRD Founder & former UNHRD Network Coordinator.

4. Value proposition ideas

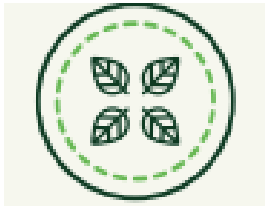


Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Active engagement: contribute to the Paris Agreement to reduce GHG emissions in the humanitarian aid supply chain.

The humanitarian logistics community is optimizing the use of natural resources in their operations to reduce the greenhouse emission footprint and environmental impact.

Day 3 – Health, Relief/Recovery and Peace & Paris Agreement: Loses and Damages.



PLAN - Green procurement

Leverage the international & national markets to provide sustainable supply chain & single-use-plastic alternatives.

The humanitarian logistics community is decarbonizing their humanitarian operations by introducing green procurement standards to

purchasing relief items with low environment impact (based on Life Cycle Assessments) and optimum use of packaging.

Day 6 – Just Energy transition / Industry / Trade & Paris Agreement: Loses and Damages.

4. Value proposition ideas

DO - Transportation

Optimizing transportation and reduction of energy in warehousing

The humanitarian logistics community is optimizing the use of natural resources in their operations to reduce the greenhouse emission footprint and environmental impact.

Day 3 – Health, Relief/Recovery and Peace & Paris Agreement: Loses and Damages.

CLEAN - Waste management

Collaborate with Government and Private sector to develop waste management systems and infrastructure in humanitarian contexts..

The Humanitarian logistics community is applying a circular approach and is keen to join efforts with local governments and private sector and contribute to the proper management of waste.

Day 10 – Cities, Regions and Urbanizations / Transport & Paris Agreement: Loses and Damages.

5. Breakout Groups (45minutes)

1. Plenary is divided in groups, one per topic.

2. Each group is facilitated by one WREC member (Sue, Juan, Katherine Marta)

3. Questions to discuss among the groups:

Further elaboration of the value proposition (30')
- what we have done?
- what do we commit?
- what do we need/request, etc.?

How to engage on the COP 28 (15')
- Side event (panel discussions, round tables, and cultural events)
- Booth/exhibition presence
- Advocacy & talking points - executive leadership & donors
- Press / media opportunities

7. Outcomes from Breakout (25minutes)

8. Next steps

LOGISTICS NETWORKS TOWARDS COP28

TASK FORCE SET UP
May – June 2023

VALUE PROPOSITION REDACTION & BUY-IN
June – September 2023

VALUE PROPOSITION APPROVAL & DISSEMINATION
September – November 2023

May
Definition of the task force governance and validation of value proposition approach.
Presentation of UNHCR five pillar approach and the Climate Charter.

Set up of periodic task force meetings to monitor progress.

June
Further consultations on the value proposition at the **GLM,** elaboration of a draft document with clear commitments and asks.
By the end of June, dissemination of draft with senior management & donors to foster early buy-in.

July - August
Revision of the value proposition in light of senior management feedback.
Adoption of a final version.

September
Confirmation of set up for the task force at COP28 (IHC).

October
Communications campaign on the value proposal through the TF members social media ahead of COP28

UNFCCC Weeks:
Sept-Oct 2023

- **Africa Climate Week (ACW 2023), Nairobi, 4-8 September.** in parallel with the African Climate Action Summit (4-6 September).
- **Middle East and North Africa Climate Week (MENACW 2023),** Riyadh, 9-12 October.
- **Latin America and Caribbean Climate Week (LACCW 2023),** Panama City, 23-27 October.
- **Asia-Pacific Climate Week (APCW 2023)** the venue and dates TBD.

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Thank you!