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| <b>LOCATION</b>      | N'Djamena, Chad (online)   |
| <b>DATE</b>          | 13 September 2023  |
| <b>CHAIR</b>         | Chad-Sudan X-Border Logistics Coordination Group   |
| <b>PARTICIPANTS</b>  | Concern World Wide (CWW) HULO, Première Urgence Internationale (PUI), United Nations Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA), United Nations High Commission for Refugee (UNHCR), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), World Food Program (WFP), World Health Organization (WHO)   |
| <b>AGENDA</b>        | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Action Points</li><li>2. X-Border Update</li><li>3. General Update</li><li>4. AOB</li><li>5. Tips for Multilingual meeting</li></ol>  |
| <b>ACTION POINTS</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Logistics Cluster to share the list of transporters available for cross-border operations.</li><li>• Meeting frequency to be decided during the next coordination meeting on Wednesday 20 September.</li><li>• Partners to share their plans on the 20 of every month with the X-border coordination team.</li><li>• UNHAS is looking for focal points in Ourang, Zabout and Tissi to secure a Helicopter landing zone. Please, contact <a href="mailto:Raymond.shady@wfp.org">Raymond.shady@wfp.org</a> for more information.</li></ul> |

## 1. Action Points

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- UNHAS is currently looking for focal points in Adre, Ourang, Zabout and Tissi. This function will be vital to facilitate securing landing zones and loan helicopters. A partner organization have agreed to be a focal point for Adre. Partners should contact [Raymond.shady@wfp.org](mailto:Raymond.shady@wfp.org) for more information.
- UNHAS will provide all the necessary trainings for the focal points with clear explanations of the terms of reference.
- HULO and ECHO ongoing consultation consultations will close by 14 September. Already 7 partners have shared their needs through the dedicated platform [Transport.hulo](https://transport.hulo). A total of 104 mt and 360m3 of cargo is ready to be moved to Chad. UN agencies shared their needs in Dubai, Accra, Copenhagen

and Brindisi with a total of 500 mt the with the Chad-Sudan X-boarder logistics coordination that was also shared with ECHO.

## 2. X-Border Update

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Chad-Sudan X-border Logistic Coordination Group requested partners to share their tentative plans to enhance cross-border operations.

- Partners to contact [christophe.vial@wfp.org](mailto:christophe.vial@wfp.org) and [boudria@un.org](mailto:boudria@un.org) in all communications related to cross-border operations.
- Partners are requested to share their tentative plans on the 20 of every month.
- A partner reported moving 650 health kits from Adre to El Genena successfully. The partner used only one transporter supplier in Chad. This supplier sub-contracted Sudanese trucks for the Sudan leg.
- Partners raised concerns about the need for harmonization of market price of local transporters.
- The Logistics Cluster will collect and consolidate partners' information on local service providers and make the list available to all organisations.
- OCHA emphasized that partners to share the lessons learned from their previous experiences. This will help CMCoord to better coordinate the next transshipment.
- Partners also requested if the logistics cluster could share a list of suppliers. Lists of transport supplier are available in [Chad LCA](#) & [Sudan LCA](#). Partners are also encouraged to share the list of their service providers.
- Partners who are not able to use the notification system should ensure keeping [christophe.vial@wfp.org](mailto:christophe.vial@wfp.org) and [boudria@un.org](mailto:boudria@un.org) in copy to update the notification system accordingly.

## 3. General Update

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The Chad-Sudan X-border Logistic Coordination Group presented a Chad - Sudan border overview: road distance, wadis and travel times, access map explaining the lean time for all destination during the rainy season. Map available on the [Logistic Cluster website](#)

- The Sudan-X-border Logistic Coordination Group explained the logistical challenges to reach Chad from the West Africa corridor.
- The poor road condition, combined with heavy traffic on the Maroua-Kousseri legs brings the lead time up to two months for trucks coming from Accra (including 3 weeks only for the Maroua-Kousseri leg).

This is the main reason the cross-border coordination group is advocating for airlifting of cargo to fill the gaps given that Farchana is already a storage bottleneck.

## 4. AOB

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- The Chad-Sudan X-border Logistic Coordination Group consulted with partners the frequency of the coordination meetings, as there were already suggestions to move the meeting from weekly to twice a month. Since there were few participants, the decision will be taken in the next meeting.
- Partners are encouraged to ensure the right people in their organisations are already receiving the Logistics Clusters communications as members of their mailing lists. To subscribe to the mailing lists they can follow the instructions at the top of the [Sudan Logistics Cluster webpage](#). The cluster team will reach out to partners on this request.
- A partner inquired if there are other options movement of cargo from Jeddah to Port Sudan since the sea bridge is closed now. Additionally, the partner also inquired about the postponement of convoy from Kosti to Alfula. In response, all cargo movement from Jeddah to Port Sudan has been put on hold due to several challenges faced. However, the Logistics Cluster will discuss this further with the partner to find a way forward.

**The next Chad-Sudan X-border Logistics Coordination Group meeting will be held on 20 September 2023 time TBD.**

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