



Strategic Advisory Group Minutes of Meeting

October 4, 2022

Strategic Advisory Group Meeting

Global ETC Teleconference: Microsoft Teams

Date: 04/10/2022 Time: 14:00-15:00 CET

Attendance

ETC – SAG Chair

WFP

Government of
Luxembourg

Ericsson Response

UNHCR

CDAC Network

NetHope

Brent Carbno

Oscar Caleman

Gilles Hoffmann

Lars Ruediger

Nizar Zeidan

Fanman Tsang

Dag Brynjarsson

Montreal, Canada

Bangkok, Thailand

Germany

Germany

Copenhagen, Denmark

London, UK

*Could not attend
(justified)*

*quorum 6 of 7 members in
attendance

Agenda

- Role of SAG in partnership application process (until partnership document is revised)
- Recommendations for current partnership applications
- SAG governance around strategic goals and objectives
- SIP revision and the role of the SAG
- TESS and ETC security communications systems alignment
- In-person SAG (propose early Feb in Rome)
- AOB (communicate through Teams where possible)

Minutes

Partnership Application

- Currently the SAG is not included in the ETC partnership process. The SAG will be included in the partnership model when it is revised as part of the SIP. In the mean time

the global ETC coordinator will review qualified partner applications with the SAG before any recommendations are sent to the ETC partners for review and possible vote.

- Revised partnership model needs to include more clarity on expectations for ETC partners and the collaborative requirements when it comes to deployment and coordination in emergencies and ETC led projects.
- Chair to investigate terms of WFP partnership and requirements for SBP.
- Chair to reach out to applicants to clarify concerns with application (if any).
- Chair to share the current partnership model with group for further discussion.

TESS and ETC SCS Alignment

- Clarification was provided on the roles of TESS and ETC when it comes to SCS (security communications systems) in emergencies and preparedness. The TESS role is understood to be around assessments and standards, where the ETC is responsible to ensure SCS is available and adequate in emergencies when activated.
- Work is needed to further clarify the ETC vision with SCS going forward. How will the ETC work with future technologies and help build capacity in the sector?

In-Person SAG Meeting Planning

- The week of February 6, 2023 in Rome was proposed for the meeting. This will be confirmed by the SAG Chair.

SAG Governance and SIP

- It was agreed that the SAG should focus on governance and advocacy of projects that help deliver on the ETC2025 strategy.
- SAG will work with different WG leads to ensure outcomes are moving forward in the respective groups.
- SIP document will be shared with the SAG members. Chair raised the issue that the SIP process has not worked well with ETC partners after the plenary and requires more work to have a useable document and reasonable expectations.

Any Other Business (AOB)

- A MS Teams area was created to store ETC SAG documents and to provide a channel for SAG member discussions. Most members can access the WFP Teams space and we will ensure all members have adequate access before relying on this platform for the SAG.

Acronyms

ETC	Emergency Telecommunications Cluster
SAG	Strategic Advisory Group
ToR	Terms of Reference