



Briefing to Member States

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Core Working Group 2.2: GCM National Implementation Plans

Since the 4 March briefing, CWG 2.2 has made significant progress to deliver on the main output identified in the Network's inaugural work plan: to develop guidance for Member States and all relevant actors on GCM implementation. As reported during the last briefing, the guidance reflects the 360-degree vision of the GCM, and has been designed as a flexible, self-guided reference document that recognizes that there is no one-size-fits-all solution to GCM implementation. The comprehensive guidance is delivered in two parts: through a Guide, which provides an overview of the GCM and introduces a process to support governments and other actors with GCM implementation; and a Booklet, which provides substantive information on all 23 GCM objectives, including examples of practical applications. An advanced draft of this guidance material has been developed and circulated prior to this briefing.

The WG is now in the process of having the draft guidance material translated into French and Spanish to support an initial review process scheduled to begin this fall (anticipated October – December 2020). A multifaceted approach to review and pilot test the guidance material is currently under discussion within the WG. Possible engagement methodologies include: sharing the draft guidance material with Champion countries for written comments and inputs; sharing the draft guidance document with a reference group which could include permanent missions in Geneva and other stakeholders; holding bilateral discussions with champion countries and stakeholders. The WG also envisions fully pilot testing the guidance in select Champion countries beginning in 2021.

Member States support and engagement is critical to pilot testing the draft guidance material. This will occur in accordance with the Network's Champion country initiative, though Member State engagement may not be limited to Champion countries. In response to COVID-19 working modalities and considerations, the working group is exploring innovative ways to engage with Member States, particularly through leveraging technology. The WG foresees the opportunity for Member States to play a variety of roles, including:

- **Partners/Collaborators:** the WG can share the draft Guidance with Member States and invite written comments and feedback to gain Member State perspective on its usability and also to gain Member State buy-in/support
- **Testers/Piloters:** encourage several of the Champion countries to pilot the guidance/agree to work with this guidance and provide feedback.
- **Promoters:** When the guidance is published, Champions could use their role to highlight the guidance and its usefulness with other Member States, for example through briefing events or references in interventions in relevant meetings, including the Regional Reviews
- **Convenors:** Champions could help play a role in initiating peer learning and providing support to other Member States on the application of the guidance material.

Comprehensive feedback gathered through the initial review process will be used to strengthen and revise the guidance, with the aim to develop finalized material by the end of the 1st Quarter 2021 and broadly



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disseminated. Case studies, positive practices, and lessons learned garnered through the piloting process may also be compiled for distribution on the Network's [Global Knowledge Platform and Connection Hub](#).