

ANNEX 1. RESOURCES FOR CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS

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2019 NGO CONSULTATION REPORT

[Link](#) to the report

The UNICEF-NGO Consultation for Partnership in Humanitarian Settings ‘Enhancing the Culture of Partnership’ took place in Geneva on 11-12 November 2019. This Consultation was the first one in a number of years and came as result of the acknowledgement by both UNICEF and NGOs that more regular exchanges are needed to enable a partnership fit to respond to the challenges faced by children in today’s humanitarian landscape. Jointly organized by UNICEF and the International Council of Voluntary Agencies (ICVA), it built on a number of previous initiatives, including a [scoping study](#) undertaken by ICVA which explores some of the strengths and challenges of partnership.

PARTNERING WITH UNICEF



[UN Partner Portal](#)

The UN Partner Portal (UNPP) is an online platform designed to simplify and harmonize UN work processes for partnering with civil society organizations.

The Portal is a collaborative inter-agency effort led by UNICEF and multiple UN agencies that is promoting transparency, efficiency and localization when partnering with civil society organizations.

- Click [here](#) to register to the UN Partner Portal
- UN Partner Portal Introductory [Video](#)
- Current Partnership Opportunities on [UNPP](#)

UNICEF GUIDANCE ON PARTNERSHIP WITH CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS (CSOs)



[Guidance for Civil Society Organizations on Partnerships with UNICEF](#) (English version dated February 2020)

The *Guidance for Civil Society Organizations on Partnership with UNICEF* has been developed to promote understanding of UNICEF's partnership principles, processes and practices among both current and prospective civil society partners.

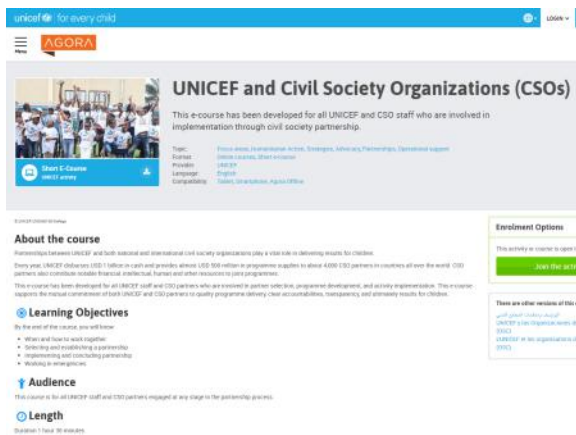
This publication, which focuses on the general operationalization of civil society partnerships with UNICEF, is to be read in conjunction with other publications that provide technical guidance on collaboration in specific programme sectors.

This guidance can also be accessed in: [French](#) and [Arabic](#).

[Guidance on Partnerships with Civil society Consortia](#) (English version dated August 2020)

UNICEF recognizes that by entering into consortia arrangements, some civil society actors—especially local and national organizations—may be able to deploy greater expertise, geographic coverage, operational capacity and management ability. UNICEF therefore encourages the consideration of partnership with consortia in situations where a programme is too large for any single Civil Society Organization (CSO) to implement individually.

This guidance can also be accessed in: [French](#).



[UNICEF and Civil Society Organizations E-Course](#) (English Version)

This e-course has been developed for all UNICEF staff and CSO partners who are involved in programme development and activity implementation.

This e-course supports the mutual commitment of both UNICEF and CSO partners to quality programme delivery, clear accountabilities, transparency, and ultimately results for children.

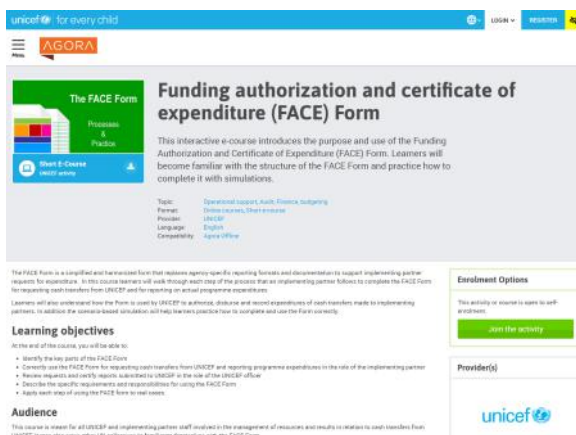
The E-Course can also be accessed in [Arabic](#), [French](#) and [Spanish](#).



[UNICEF and UNDP Guide to Financial Management for Implementing Partners](#) (English version)

The primary purpose of this guide is to orient UN implementing partners on key financial management standards and best practices.

Each chapter of this guide covers a different subject area, and includes an explanation of why it matters, as well as a list of additional resources and recommended reading materials. Some of the subject areas and key concepts covered in this guide include programme management, accounting policies and procedures, and financial monitoring and reporting.



[FACE Form E-Course](#) (English version)

In this course civil society partners will walk through each step of the process to complete the Funding Authorization and Certificate of Expenditure (FACE) Form for requesting cash transfers from UNICEF and for reporting on actual programme expenditures.

Learners will also understand how the Form is used by UNICEF to authorize, disburse and record expenditures of cash transfers made to implementing partners. In addition the scenario-based simulation will help learners practice how to complete and use the Form correctly.

This course is also available in [Portuguese](#) and [Spanish](#).

UNICEF AND CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE COVID-19 CRISIS

[UNICEF and Civil Society Organizations During COVID-19: Guiding Principles and Efficiency Measures](#) (English version dated 8 April 2020)

This reference guide has been developed to support CSO partners in navigating the impact of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) on programme partnerships with UNICEF.

In recognition of the pandemic's evolving nature, this guidance note may be further adapted to respond to changing programming and operational contexts and reflect consultations with CSO partners.

FUNDING FLEXIBILITY FOR NGOs IN THE CONTEXT OF COVID-19

[IASC proposal for a harmonized approach to funding flexibility in the context of COVID-19](#) (English Version dated 30 June 2020)

The COVID-19 pandemic and its impacts on ongoing humanitarian crises have created a need to make funding agreements more flexible so that frontline humanitarian actors receive timely and adequate resources and can pivot as appropriate to COVID-19-related activities. The immediate need to improve flexibility is driven by the urgency of preparedness, anticipatory actions and response to COVID-19, however, these actions are also well aligned with the long-term commitments outlined in the Grand Bargain to improve efficiency and effectiveness of humanitarian aid, to deliver flexible and unearmarked funding and to increase funding to frontline actors. Over the longer term, it is understood that COVID-19 may require fundamental changes to the current humanitarian response model, including programming modalities that are more reliant on national actors, with greater consideration for the humanitarian-development-peace nexus.

Recognizing the different mandates, missions and comparative advantage of UN agencies and NGO partners, WFP, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNFPA, FAO, IOM, and OCHA, together with their NGO partners, are increasing funding flexibility, lightening, and speeding up processes in response to the pandemic, as allowable within existing regulations, rules, policies, and procedures.

UNICEF'S PRIORITIES IN THE COVID-19 RESPONSE



Six Points Plan to Protect our Children

In the beginning of the pandemic, UNICEF issued an [Agenda for Action](#), calling on governments and partners to prioritize six thematic pillars to avoid this health crisis from becoming a child rights crisis. In December 2020, the UN General Assembly convened a Special Session on COVID-19 and its global impact (UNGASS). Ahead of the debate, UNICEF updated its set of priorities, while calling for a comprehensive package of support to Protect our Children during the pandemic and in its aftermath. These six points are the 'game changers' required to reinforce existing services and systems for children and accelerate an inclusive, child-focused response and recovery.

Available in [English](#), [French](#), [Spanish](#), [Arabic](#) and [Chinese](#).

MIGRATION AND COVID-19: A STUDY OF CHILDREN, ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES FROM VENEZUELA CAUGHT UP IN THE COVID-19 CRISIS (BY WORLD VISION)

[Venezuelan children between a rock and a hard place](#)

South America has become the scene of one of the worst humanitarian crises in recent times. The crisis involving migrants and refugees from Venezuela involves children, adolescents, and young people who have left their country of origin to settle in surrounding countries, either due to political or economic reasons, sometimes both.

This study, published by World Vision, delves into the harsh reality of children, adolescents and young migrants and refugees from Venezuela who are caught up in the economic and political crisis now made worse by the COVID-19 pandemic. This research examines the emotional state and material conditions of children—some accompanied and others alone—in the midst of the pandemic.

The results of this investigation drive World Vision to pursue articulate, effective responses for one of the most vulnerable population groups.

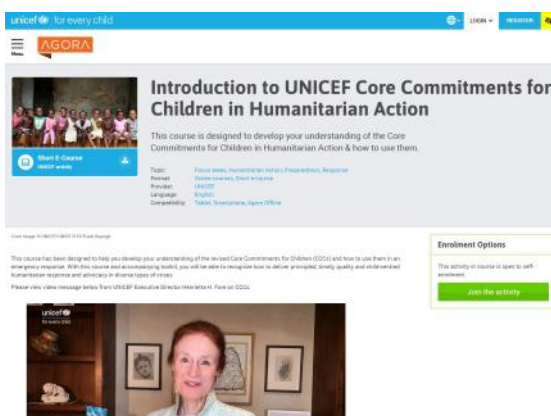
UNICEF POLICIES AND FRAMEWORKS FOR HUMANITARIAN ACTION

REVISED CORE COMMITMENTS FOR CHILDREN (CCCs)

Since the Core Commitments for Children in Humanitarian Action (CCCs) were introduced in 1998 and revised in 2010, the global humanitarian context has changed significantly. Humanitarian crises are increasingly protracted. Rising disregard for international humanitarian and human rights law and humanitarian principles characterises conflicts, disproportionately affecting children and women. Population growth, urbanization, environmental degradation and climate change, large-scale migration, forced displacements, as well as public health emergencies increasingly compound the threats that children face.

The CCCs have been revised in 2020 to equip UNICEF and its partners to deliver principled, timely, quality and child-centred humanitarian response and advocacy in any crises with humanitarian consequences. See the below documents for further information:

- The Complete CCCs are available in [English](#), [Spanish](#), [French](#) and [Arabic](#)
- The Pocket Version of the CCCs is available in [English](#), [Spanish](#) and [French](#)
- [What's new?](#)
- [Factsheet](#)
- A guideline on [How to engage with the governments on the CCCs](#)



Revised Core Commitments for Children (CCCs) Online course

The interactive 90 min E-training on the CCCs is available on AGORA [here](#) to all partners.

This course has been designed to help you develop your understanding of the revised Core Commitments for Children (CCCs) and how to use them in emergency response. With this course and accompanying toolkit, you will be able to recognize how to deliver principled, timely, quality and child-centred humanitarian response and advocacy in diverse types of crises.

ACCOUNTABILITY TO AFFECTED POPULATIONS (AAP)

Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP) is about using power and resources ethically and responsibly. It's about putting the needs and interests of the people and communities we serve at the centre of decision-making, ensuring the most appropriate and relevant outcomes for them, while preserving their rights and dignity and increasing their resilience to face situations of vulnerability and crisis. In practice, this means that people – including children and adolescents – have a say in decisions that affect their lives, receive the information they need to make informed decisions, have access to safe and responsive mechanisms to provide feedback or to complain, and have equitable access to assistance in proportion to their needs, priorities and preferences.

- The AAP handbook is available in [English](#), [French](#) and [Spanish](#)
- To learn more, click to see this [video](#)

HUMANITARIAN PLANNING CYCLE (HPC)

Humanitarian Planning Cycle (HPC) 2021 Facilitation Package

In an effort to support interagency roll-out of HPC 2021 a collection of resources and examples have been made available on our knowledge management platform which are available to all partners.

Click the [link](#) to access additional resources including:

- 2021 HPC package
- Key 2021 facilitation material

POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS AND OTHER RESOURCES

Please note that the PowerPoint presentations and other resource documents are accessible under “resources” on the online platform, or click [here](#).