

## Discussion Paper

This paper has been prepared by the Secretariat of the United Nations Secretary-General's High-Level Panel on Internal Displacement to facilitate discussions and feedback on the potential value of establishing a Global Fund on Internal Displacement.



The Fund would aim to better harness existing funding for solutions, as well as mobilize new funding streams as needed, including grants from a dedicated multi-donor trust fund, financing from international development banks and the crowding of additional domestic and external resources. Crucially, the Fund would seek to avoid diverting humanitarian funds and would instead prioritize development funding sources. The Fund would aim to be catalytic and to provide an injection of resources to support national plans led by countries who make solutions to displacement a development priority. As such, the Fund would promote additional investments from a variety of national and international funding sources, including the private sector.

While the Fund would be an independent entity, it would maintain a close relationship with the UN system, particularly in the operational roll-out and implementation of States' national solutions strategies. It would also maintain a close relationship with Multilateral Development Banks, such as the World Bank, to capitalize on its Country Partnership Frameworks and focus on the SDGs. The World Bank's Systematic Country Diagnostics could be a solid basis for problem identification and measuring progress forward.

Establishing a dedicated fund would assist States that are committed to addressing internal displacement with much-needed financial capacity to enable them to do so. It could assist in kickstarting efforts to develop a solutions strategy or integrate IDPs into national development plans in order to ensure IDPs benefit from development finance for solutions. Once these plans and strategies are in place, it could provide the seed funding to assist States and other actors to start their interventions.

- Do you agree that there would be value in establishing a Global Fund on Internal Displacement Solutions, as an independent and privately-run entity?
- What are lessons learned from the establishment and implementation of other Funds, such as the Global Fund to fight Malaria, AIDS and Tuberculosis, Gavi, the Global Partnership for Education, and the Global Financing Facility for Women, Children and Adolescents
- What would be the best Governance models and oversight mechanisms?
- What modalities should be in place for the financing and grants process?
- What is the best way to ensure private sector engagement?

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