Notes from GFAN Call (06 June 2019): Domestic Resource Mobilisation

**Agenda:**
1. Welcome
2. DRM
   a. Regional Partner Updates
      i. Africa (Rosemary and Angela)
      ii. Asia Pacific (tbc)
3. Update on HLM on UHC (Justin Koonin)
4. Questions and Comments
5. Updates
   a. Next GFAN Call
   b. Coalition Plus Request

**Panelists:**
Chair: Raoul Fransen-dos Santos
- Justin Koonin (CSEM)
- Angela (GFAN Africa)
- Rosemary (GFAN Africa)
- Rachel (GFAN Asia Pacific)
GFAN: Tara Hogeterp

**Meeting Notes:**

**GFAN Africa**

Replenishment activities:
- Members participated in WHA last month and agreed on activities for the next 40 days and last mile to replenishment
- Some activities the team is involved in are:
  o Reaching out to African governments and donors
    ▪ Writing letters for increased contribution to GF form donors and for African govs to contribute in solidarity
    ▪ GFAN Africa is reaching out to: Netherlands, Canada, UK, European Commission, Japan, Germany and US
    ▪ A mix of Francophone and Anglophone countries have been approached
  o Compiling profiles of funding to African countries – highlighting benefits of GF funding and looking at gaps and asking the governments for resources to fill the gaps
  o HLM on UHC in Sept: have been writing letters to African countries to attend the HLM and approx. 15 countries have already been sent letters
  o There is a South African AIDS meeting on 9 June which will serve as a good advocacy moment for the region

**DRM:**
- As advocates in implementing countries, GFAN Africa’s strategy also includes seeing commitments around DRM
  o Identifying countries in region to contribute in solidarity to replenishment and/or contribute to DRM
- There are several activations taking place around the region:
  o Reached out to French embassy in Kenya to host other embassies (25 July) to have a conversation around DRM and pledging toward GF
  o Also reaching out to French embassies in the 13 priority countries to do the same
- GFAN Africa are using the African scorecard on DRM to identify different indicators and targets for conversations with governments
- The members are following up on Africa Leadership Meeting in Feb for commitments on DRM
  o TICAD – opportunity to advance conversations around DRM and pledges as a follow up to the ALM. Next week there is a TICAD administration meeting in Addis
- CS engagement and capacity mobilisation
  o Working on having 2 health advocacy trainings/meetings in Francophone and East Africa regions and to engage CS in taking action beyond replenishment
- AU summit in Benin in July is an opportunity to meet with leaders and continue to push these messages

GFAN AP
- Continuing advocacy around conversations happening at G20
- Events closely related to UHC
  o Working with MPact who has developed a brief around SDG 17 – importance of continued investment in GF for this SDG – releasing in the next week or so
  o Mission visits around HLPF in July – Human Rights and Gender – need more concrete actions around financing.
  o Preparing for HLM in Aug and will have a strong focus on DRM for the region – what the financial needs are for the funded countries and what the DRM needs are
  o Identifying AP champions – event in Vietnam in 10 days where French embassy will be hosting Nobel prize winner on HIV discovery – ambassadors of embassies in Hanoi will be in attendance

CSEM
- UHC HLM:
  o 23 Sept in NYC
  o Main takeout from April hearings was a real need to speak more about gender issues
  o Zero draft of the political declaration is available
    ▪ Process moving forward is that negotiations should be between member states with CS observing but not directly involved
    ▪ Better for CSEM and broader CS to come up with broad issues that have to be in the declaration – ongoing
- CSEM, IFRC and UNAIDS collaboration is organising in-country consultations to discuss ways to advocate for governments’ involvement in the HLM (some consultations have already taken place)
  - Countries identified include Afghanistan, Argentina, Brazil, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Ghana, Pakistan, South Africa etc.
  - Best to join the CSEM network to get more info

- CSEM reps and changeovers on UHC Steering Committee:
  - Changeover will take place after HLM
  - Watch out for call for new alternates

- CS advisory group for global action plan for healthy lives and well being for all:
  - CS request for more engagement
  - 2 week window for online public engagement and commentary
  - Watch out for it late June/early July

Questions & Additional Comments

- An issue was raised that when approaching new donor governments for a pledge, who are also recipients of GF funding, the government has a concern that by pledging it will mean that their GF allocation will be reduced.
  - In response to this, a participant on the call highlighted that Kenya pledged 5 million USD in the last period and there doesn't seem to have been any change to their allocation and GFAN Africa indicated that they also have other cases where they can demonstrate that it is not the case that when pledging your allocation will decrease.
  - A suggestion was made that asking these new donor governments to focus on DRM and co-financing may be more useful and easier to sell to new countries

- CSEM red lines can be expected at the latest in mid January but should be sooner
- G20 – GFAN AP participated in C20 and working with India working group on health advocacy and Indonesia for G20

Updates from Tara (GFAN)

Coalition Plus would like to hear from GFAN members about news, opportunities for diplomacy action, and other insights from other donor countries regarding their potential pledges, dates for announcement, and so on.

- Next GFAN call will be a communications focus
  - Update from GFS on communication plan going forward – good opportunity to ask questions
  - Update from GFAN campaign
  - If others would like to discuss anything else, please let Tara know

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