



# Fighting Food Crises Along the Humanitarian-Development-Peace Nexus Coalition

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## ADVOCACY

Following its first meeting in late September, the Advocacy Workstream is consolidating its 2023 workplan, while also continuing to support the coalition's engagement in advocacy opportunities. The Coalition co-organized with the Climate-Resilient Food Systems Alliance and Switzerland a high-level official side event at the COP27: "[Climate-resilient Food Systems and Peace: Exploring the Interconnections](#)". The event took place on 11 November, where panellists discussed the interconnection between climate change, food insecurity and conflict, which are present in a number of vulnerable environments worldwide, and currently witnessed in Ukraine and the Horn of Africa. The event resulted in [six key recommendations](#).

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## CLIMATE, SECURITY AND FOOD SYSTEMS

Launched in September 2022, the Climate, Security and Food Systems workstream has developed a workplan that includes the production of regional and national level briefs collating qualitative and quantitative evidence on the interlinkages between climate, food and nutrition security, and the prospects for peace. In its Phase 1 (September to December 2022), the Workstream collated state-of-the-art evidence on the connection between climate, food, and peace and security in Kenya, the Sahel region and Sudan. The workstream produced the first of a series of briefs, which focuses on Kenya and summarises the latest research conducted by CGIAR FOCUS Climate Security for the country. For more information, contact the workstream lead Grazia Pacillo at [G.Pacillo@cgiar.org](mailto:G.Pacillo@cgiar.org)

## RESEARCH

To identify opportunities to leverage the Coalition's research expertise, the Research Workstream has initiated a series of opportunities for global groups and actors to present their objectives, findings and research gaps. The first meeting in early November invited David Nabarro, co-lead of the Food Workstream of the Global Crisis Response Group on Food, Energy and Finance, to brief on key research gaps to help guide the work of workstream members. Workstream discussions with additional global groups and actors are being planned for 2023. For more information, contact the workstream lead Sepideh Soltaninia [sepideh.soltaninia@sipri.org](mailto:sepideh.soltaninia@sipri.org)



## OPERATIONALISING SUDAN'S NATIONAL PATHWAY

Following a request from Sudan's national convenor – an active HDP Nexus Coalition member - the Coalition Secretariat is working with Dr. Fatima and the Food Summit Technical Secretariat, the Intergovernmental Authority on Development and the FSS Coordination Hub, with the support of the Technical Support Unit of the Global Network Against Food Crises, to identify opportunities to support the operationalisation of Sudan's National Pathway. Informed by a joint mission at the end of January 2023, the Coalition's efforts will seek to build on existing structures and processes, including the outcomes of the IGAD-led regional event in October 2022 (which included a Coalition co-lead as a speaker, and also engaged relevant regional coalition members – see previous newsletter for more information). Further information on opportunities for Coalition members to engage will be shared in the coming weeks.



## MEMBER UPDATES

### Food security and gender

CARE continues its comprehensive strategic campaign on the [Global Food and Nutrition Crisis](#), advocating for a holistic global response that bridges both immediate humanitarian response and urgent support to sustainable agriculture. CARE's latest analysis, [Hunger Policies Continue to Ignore Gender](#), found that 26 percent of reviewed hunger policies were gender unaware and 47 percent do not mention gender inequality at all. Some 52 percent of the global reports, policy, response plans, and funding documents did not have any form of sex disaggregated data on food insecurity. Progress remains to be made - centering gender equality in food and hunger policies, strategies and responses is critical for addressing the growing hunger crisis.

Further, CARE conducted a study on the [impact of the Food Crisis on women and girls in Afghanistan](#). This research highlights key findings on household food security, negative coping strategies women and families adopt, and shortcomings of humanitarian actors in gender-responsive aid delivery. CARE's brief on [Gender-Based Violence and Food Insecurity](#) delves deeper into the relationship between food insecurity, gender inequality and gender-based violence (GBV).

### Humanitarian field trip to Sudan

On 4-9 December, the Czech EU Presidency in cooperation with the World Food Program organized a [humanitarian field trip](#) of EU member states' humanitarian and development delegates to Sudan. Projects financed by European funds were visited in Khartoum and in the Port Sudan and South Darfur regions. During negotiations with local and international partners, mission participants verified the methods of coordination of humanitarian, development and peace actors and the problems they face in implementing their activities. Meetings with local residents and beneficiaries of projects focused on access to food and water, resilience of agriculture and child nutrition vis-à-vis the impact of climate change as well as of the current global food crisis. Photos of the trip are available [here](#). For more information, contact Hana Volna, MFA CZ at [hana\\_volna@mzv.cz](mailto:hana_volna@mzv.cz).

## Stock-take of FAO conflict sensitivity and peace contributions in the Africa region

The FAO Regional Office for Africa (RAF) commissioned a stock-take of FAO conflict sensitivity and peace contributions in the Africa region to strengthen learning through the collection of promising practices, as well as to test and further develop the FAO [Pathways to Peace](#). This review was led by Interpeace, a member of the coalition, in close consultation with FAO's [Conflict and Peace Unit](#) and with assistance from FAO's [Knowledge sharing platform on Emergencies and Resilience](#).

The stock-take presents promising practices, including key drivers of conflict that are being addressed, entry points used, and pathways/theories of change employed, grounded in concrete, country-level experience. It also outlines key enabling and challenging factors and investigates the role played by FAO's partnerships, and includes a focus on gender equality, women's empowerment and youth as cross-cutting issues, to reflect the fundamental roles women and youth play in peace contributions.

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## Study of the Nexus of Instability and Food Insecurity in Haiti

The Food Security Cluster in Haiti, with the support of the Global Network Against Food Crises, has published a study exploring the interaction between rural development, food, and nutritional insecurity, on one hand, and the prevailing socio-political crises on the other. The study seeks to inform national planning processes and contribute to the identification of entry points for policy engagement with stakeholders involved in Haiti's agricultural development and food/nutrition security sector. For more information, contact Hugh Macleman at [hugh.macleman@wfp.org](mailto:hugh.macleman@wfp.org) (mailto: [hugh.macleman@wfp.org](mailto:hugh.macleman@wfp.org)).

## Addressing the food crisis in Yemen – blog

IFPRI has started a blog titled [Addressing the food crisis in Yemen: The private sector's key role amid local conflict and global market disruptions from the Russia-Ukraine war](#). The blog is part of IFPRI's blog series on the impacts of the [Russia-Ukraine war and the COVID-19 pandemic on food security](#). For more information, contact Olivier Ecker at [O.Ecker@cgjar.org](mailto:O.Ecker@cgjar.org)

## Report on State of Climate, Peace and Security in the Horn of Africa



In November 2022, IGAD published the first [Report on State of Climate, Peace and Security in the Horn of Africa](#). In addition, IGAD and United Nations Office of the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Horn of Africa co-convoked the first regional technical consultation on climate, peace and security, in Nairobi on 26-28 July 2022. The technical consultation was followed by a high-level, ministerial meeting on the margins of the COP27 in Sharm el-Sheikh on 7 November 2022. In the [Communiqué](#) of that meeting, Member States directed IGAD to establish a Regional Climate Security Coordination Mechanism in collaboration with the UN OSE-HoA and Climate Security Mechanism at the UN.

In the [Communiqué of the 48th Ordinary Session of the IGAD Council of Ministers](#), held in Khartoum on 30 November 2022, it was decided, as agreed in the recently concluded COP27, to establish a regional Climate Security Coordination Mechanism that will build the capacity of IGAD Member States to anticipate, prevent and mitigate the outset of climate-induced conflict and displacement.

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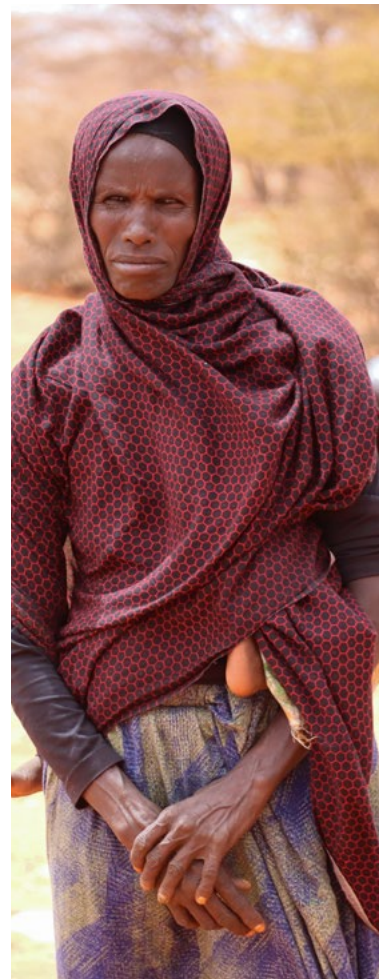


## States of Fragility 2022 Report

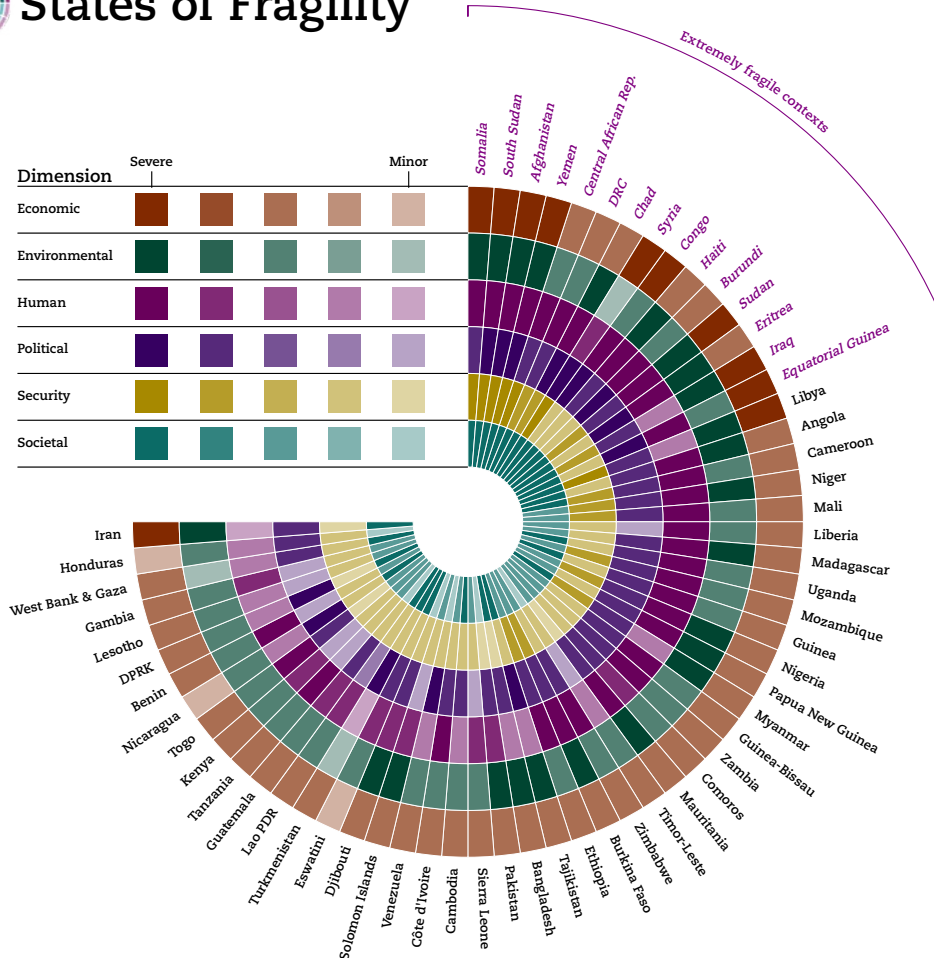
In September, OECD launched its flagship [States of Fragility 2022](#) report, which arrives as the world is grappling with a series of crises – chief among them COVID-19, climate change and the war in Ukraine. The effects of these crises are most dire for the 60 fragile contexts in this year’s edition of the OECD’s multidimensional fragility framework. The report highlights that fragile contexts are at the centre of the current global food security crisis. Of the 26 hunger hotspots identified in June 2022, 22 were in fragile contexts, and the 10 contexts with the largest number of people facing acute food insecurity were all fragile.

Food security is a prominent aspect of the OECD’s analysis of environmental fragility, especially in publications on [Natural resource governance and fragility in the Sahel](#) and [Environmental fragility in the Sahel](#). In 2022, DAC’s network on conflict and fragility adopted a [Common Position on Climate Change, Biodiversity and Environmental Fragility](#). In 2023, more research will be published on biodiversity and youth in fragile contexts. A workstream on development, peace and security is also under development.

For more information, please contact [INCAF. Secretariat@oecd.org](mailto:INCAF.Secretariat@oecd.org) and visit the [States of Fragility interactive data platform](#), the OECD’s one-stop-shop for all data and evidence on crises and fragility.



## States of Fragility



## Peace and food security studies

In November, SIPRI published [‘WFP’s Contributions to Improving the Prospects for Peace in the Central American Dry Corridor: Spotlight on Climate Change’](#), a report exploring how climatic shocks and stresses affect food security and the risk of conflict in the Dry Corridor, through case studies of Guatemala and Honduras. In the same month, SIPRI also published [‘Measuring Peace Impact: Challenges and Solutions’](#). The paper presents emerging thinking about the challenges of measuring peace impact and the possible solutions to these challenges in conflict and peacebuilding settings.

In December, SIPRI launched a new film on [‘Food security and why it matters for peace in South Sudan’](#). The film builds on a series of video interviews with local people and humanitarian workers in South Sudan’s Jonglei State, exploring their perceptions of food security, violence and development challenges. Also in December, SIPRI launched its Environment of Peace research report, which focuses on managing the risks that are created by two interwoven crises: the darkening security horizon and the immense pressures being placed on the natural world and the systems that support life on earth. The research report sets out in detail the evidential and analytical foundations of the policy report [Environment of Peace: Security in a New Era of Risk](#) that was launched in May.

Lastly, SIPRI Director and Coalition co-chair Dan Smith takes a retrospective look at the major events in international peace and security in 2022 in a newly released SIPRI video. You can watch it [here](#).

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## Operationalisation of the HDP nexus for food and nutrition in Yemen

Scale Up Nutrition (SUN) Yemen Secretariat in the Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation, with support from the EU through FAO, is tasked with the operationalization of the HDP nexus for food and nutrition in Yemen and seeks to facilitate a wide and comprehensive participation of all key partners and stakeholders. This project aims at enhancing the linkages between the humanitarian and development actions by establishing a national HDP nexus taskforce (HDPN-TF) with the highest impact on food and nutrition and in partnership with various stakeholders, including UN agencies, INGOs, NNGOs and donors to guarantee the sustainability and resilience as part of the whole-of-government approach for food and nutrition that the SUN Movement in Yemen is adopting.

During the past months, the HDPN-TF was established, and the development of a National HDPN Guidance Note, which aims to ensure coherence, effectiveness, sustainability and mutual accountability of actors and track the progress of humanitarian and development interventions, is underway. National workshops and meetings intended to support the successful achievement of the project’s outputs are expected to take place in the first quarter of 2023.

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