

Global Nutrition Cluster Technical Alliance

NGO Co-lead: Call for Expression of Interest

The GNC Technical Alliance (the Alliance) is a technical assistance platform that responds to national, and regional requests, by leveraging and building on existing nutrition resources, capacities, initiatives and coordination structures. Launched in December 2020, the Alliance was developed to address the gap for nutrition technical needs in a humanitarian context.

Following an external evaluation, there is a process underway to integrate the work of the Alliance more closely with the Global Nutrition Cluster (GNC), and create greater efficiencies to deliver the core services and technical support of the GNC. The Alliance is led by UNICEF Programme Group jointly with an international NGO as the co-lead, and form part of the Alliance Leadership Team.

UNICEF as the cluster lead agency for nutrition is committed to enhancing coverage and quality of nutrition preparedness, response and recovery, with dedicated resources to strengthen the partnership network and NiE technical capacity of the GNC partners. From September 1, a new NGO co-lead will be appointed to lead the Alliance, to work in close coordination with UNICEF Programme Group and the Alliance Leadership Team to drive this vision.

This document describes the key responsibilities and functions of the Alliance NGO co-lead.

Terms of Reference

Strategy, Leadership and Planning

- Provide leadership in the visioning, strategy development and formulation of work plans specific to the work of the Alliance, to ensure work plans are consistent with the stated goal and outcomes and that work planned is relevant, results-oriented, cost effective and incorporates a clear measurement framework.
- Provide leadership and day to day strategic direction to the GNC Operations Team on issues that arise and provide continuity in decision making alongside UNICEF co-chair.
- Facilitate resource mobilization for the GNC.

- Facilitate regular contact and information flow between GNC partners and individuals as required to maintain excellent relationships and harmonized approaches and activities across the sector, and to facilitate satisfactory completion of all interagency projects and commitments in the GNC workplan for NiE Technical.
- Foster and maintain excellent ways of working between Alliance Leadership Team members, the GNC Strategic Advisory Group, and the GNC Operations Team.
- Chair Alliance Leadership Team meetings and develop agendas, and ensure all actions are followed up.
- Support reporting of ongoing day to day changes to the Alliance Leadership Team in a timely fashion.
- Lead and orient the implementation of the redesigned Alliance under the One GNC model.
- Oversight of trending NiE technical themes and humanitarian sector developments and ensure that the work of the Alliance and the provision of technical programmatic support and guidance from working groups and task forces within the Alliance is appropriate, complementary and well-coordinated.
- Contribute to the planning and implementation of the GNC Global and Regional Meetings, and other events that aim to foster NiE technical collaboration and knowledge exchange.
- Ensure appropriate mechanisms are in place for monitoring performance, the sharing of lessons and experiences, and reporting so that the goals and objectives of the One GNC are met.

Advocacy, networking and strategic partnerships

- Build and strengthen strategic partnerships through networking and advocacy with governments, UN system agency partners, resource partners, internationally recognized institutions, NGOs; peer partnership/alliances/coalitions, funders, research institutes and private sector to reinforce cooperation and/or pursue opportunities to promote goals and achieve sustainable and broad results on nutrition in emergencies.
- Support communication strategies, and activities for maximum communication impact and outreach to promote awareness, establish partnerships for sustainable results in the area of nutrition in emergencies.
- Build and strengthen strategic partnerships with other humanitarian sectors to promote a stronger collaboration across sectors to reach better nutrition outcomes for children.

Organizational Criteria

1. Interest, capacity and willingness to strengthen the humanitarian nutrition network
2. Ability to leverage national and global networks and partnerships for strengthening capacity and response



3. Proven organizational expertise in nutrition in emergencies and strong programmatic experience
4. Demonstrable contribution to strategic technical developments in the sector.
5. Understanding of the global architecture for cluster coordination and experience in the Global Nutrition Cluster and the GNC Technical Alliance
6. Demonstrable ability to lead, think and act strategically, manage ambiguity and complexity, and mature diplomacy skills
7. Availability of a nutrition technical staff for 30% Level of Effort (LoE) and ability to provide contribution in kind
8. Ability to start the co-lead role on, or close to September 1st, 2023.

Process of selection

Please submit a maximum 2-page expression of interest outlining how the Organization meets the criteria, and the CV of the nominated personnel to Megan Gayford by Tuesday **August 15, 2023**.

EOIs will be evaluated by the Alliance Leadership team members and the decision will be shared with the GNC Strategic Advisory Group for endorsement.

The successful organization will be informed by **Friday August 25**.

For any questions, please email Megan.

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