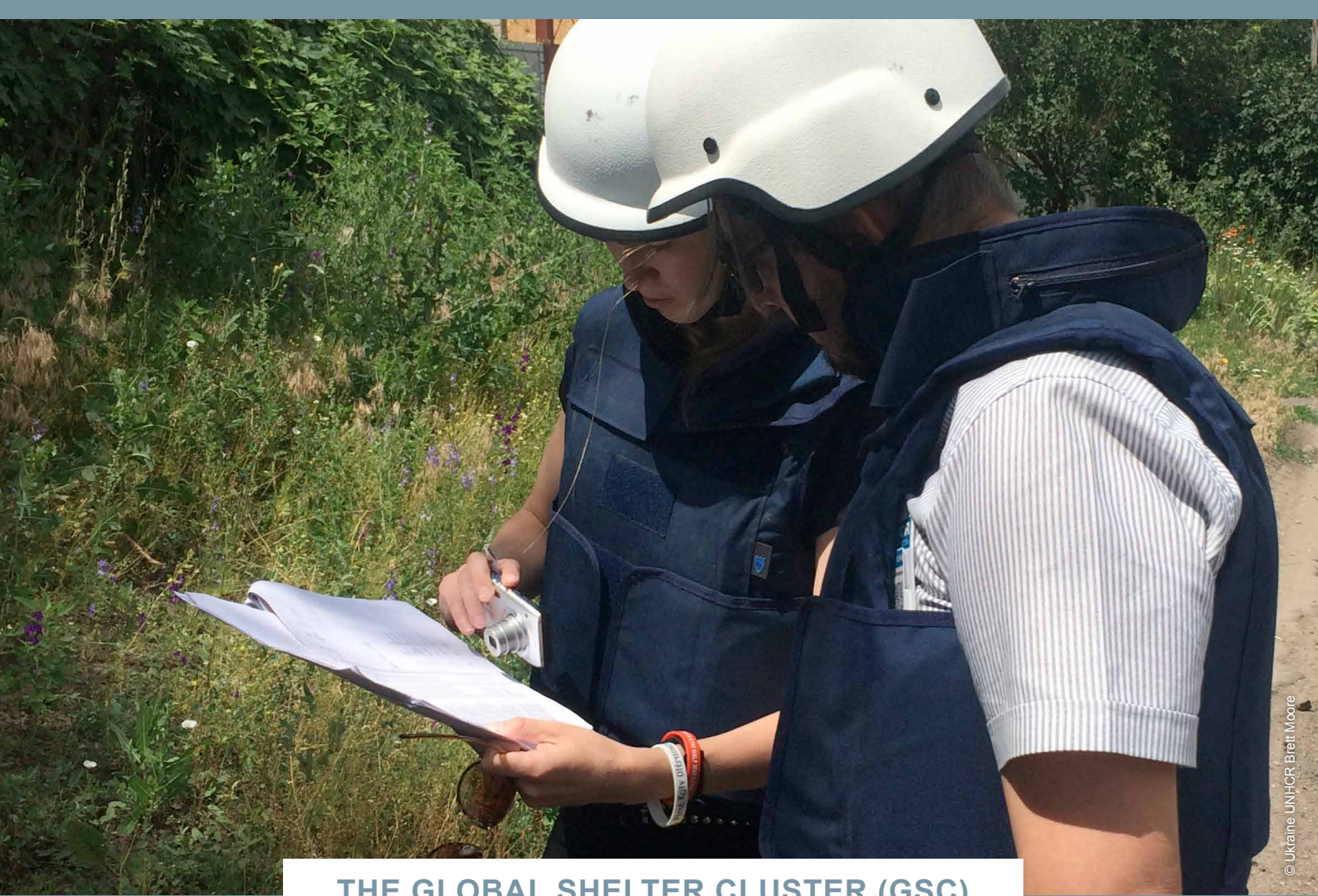


Global Shelter Cluster

2017 MID-YEAR UPDATE





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THE GLOBAL SHELTER CLUSTER (GSC)

Co-led by IFRC and UNHCR, the GSC is a coordination mechanism of global partners working together to support people affected by natural disasters and internally displaced people affected by conflict with the means to live in safe, dignified and appropriate shelter. The GSC complements and supports existing local coordination mechanisms and liaises with all shelter actors, including governments, so that people in need of shelter assistance receive the right kind of support as quickly as possible.

All activities of the GSC are undertaken within the framework of the [Global Shelter Cluster Strategy 2013-2017](#), which was developed and agreed upon by partners to strengthen the response of humanitarian actors through leadership, coordination and accountability in the human-

itarian shelter sector. The Strategy aims to develop a responsive and flexible support to country-level shelter coordination mechanisms, an effective and well-functioning GSC, and enhanced advocacy and communications to increase the recognition of the shelter and settlements sector.

It is estimated that the GSC partners supported approximately 13.1 million beneficiaries in 2016¹. All of these efforts were possible thanks to the continued financial support of ACTED, DG ECHO², IFRC, Impact Initiatives/ REACH, IOM, NRC, SDC, UN-Habitat, UNHCR, USAID/ OFDA and other shelter partners whose valuable contributions have made GSC activities more sustainable.

¹ Based on [factsheets](#) and dashboards submitted to GSC (or other sources in case factsheets were unavailable).

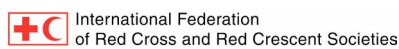
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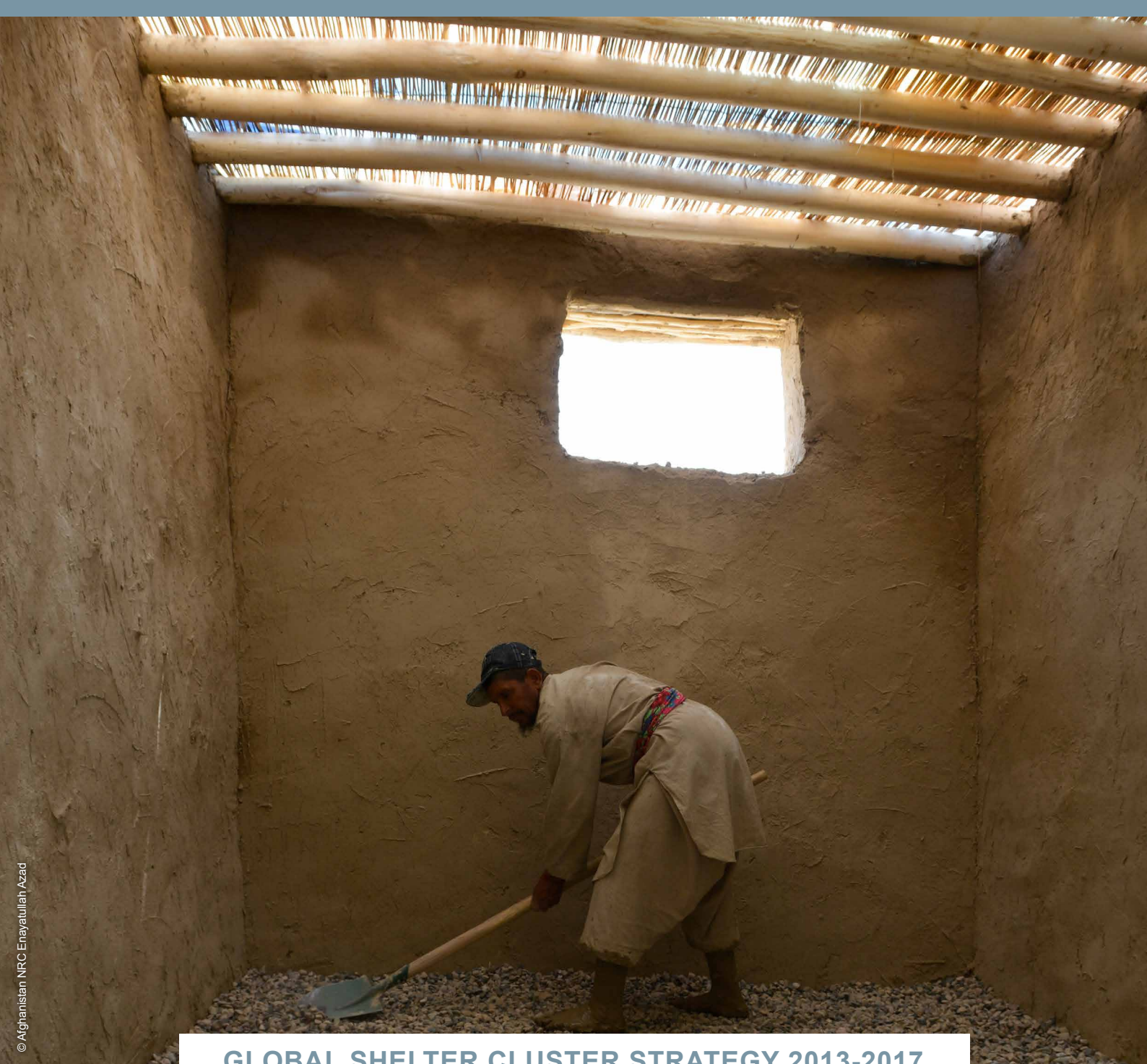
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GLOBAL SHELTER CLUSTER STRATEGY 2013-2017

Developed as an output of the 2012 GSC Meeting, the 2013-2017 Global Shelter Cluster Strategy was approved by the Strategic Advisory Group in early 2013. It has the goal to more effectively meet the sheltering needs of populations

affected by humanitarian crises, by strengthening the shelter response of humanitarian actors through leadership, coordination and accountability in the humanitarian shelter sector. The Strategy has **three strategic aims**:

- 1** Responsive and flexible support to country-level shelter coordination mechanisms.
- 2** An effective and well-functioning Global Shelter Cluster.
- 3** Increased recognition of the shelter and settlements sector as an essential component of the humanitarian response, through enhanced advocacy and communication.

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ACTIVE CLUSTERS

571

CLUSTER PARTNERS

\$260M

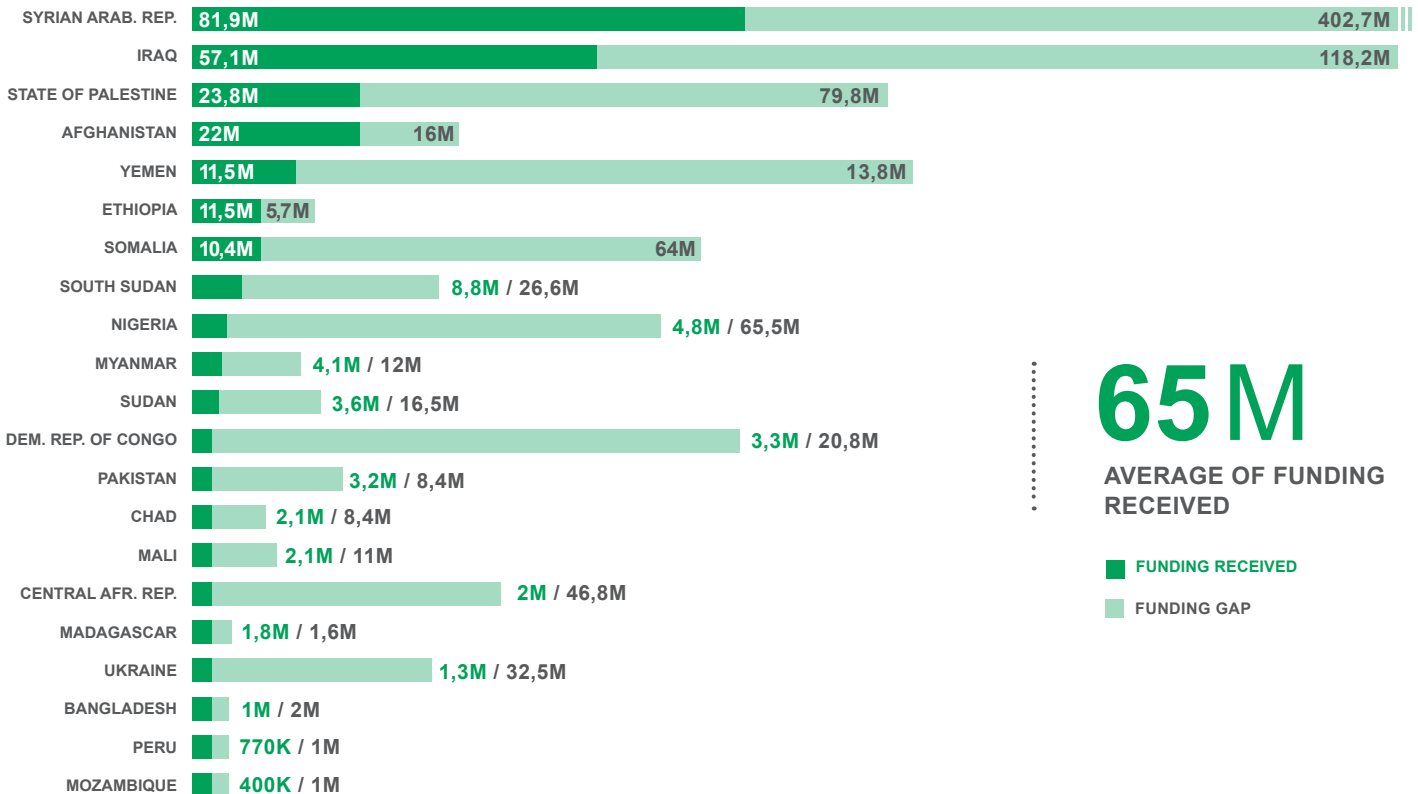
FUNDING RECEIVED

5,7 MILLION PEOPLE SUPPORTED

To avoid overlap, this is based on the highest number of beneficiaries for either NFI or shelter per country



CLUSTER FUNDING ANALYSIS*



The above data has been made available to the Global Shelter Cluster through factsheets. Achievements are from all cluster partners (not just the lead agency) and any form of shelter and/or NFI assistance is counted.

* Based on factsheets submitted by clusters and OCHA's FTS, all amounts are in USD
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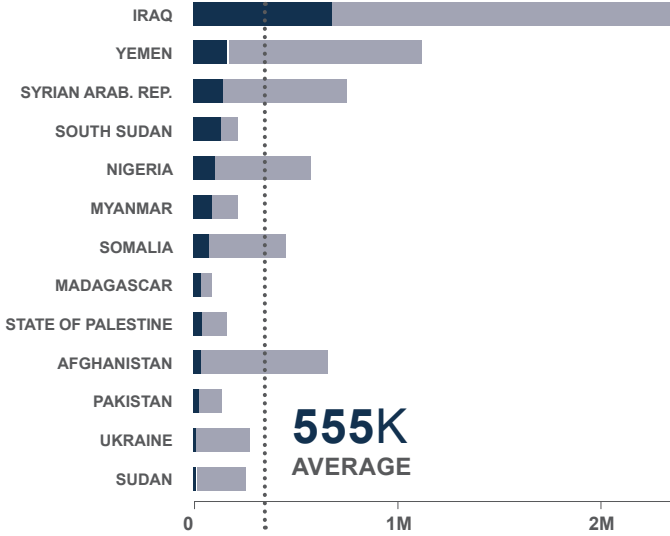


1,8M PEOPLE SUPPORTED WITH SHELTER INTERVENTIONS

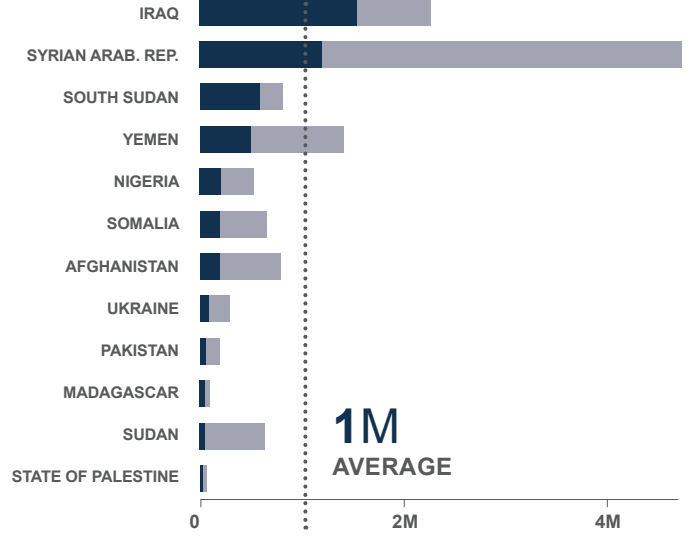


5M PEOPLE SUPPORTED WITH NFI INTERVENTIONS

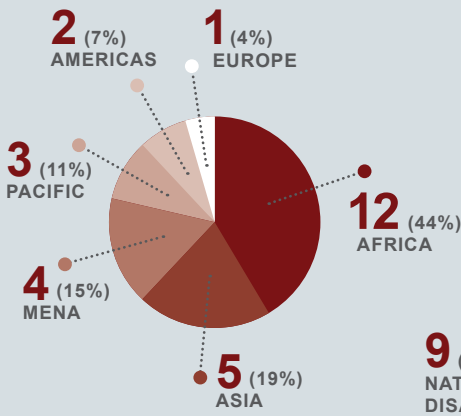
NUMBER OF PEOPLE SUPPORTED / TARGET



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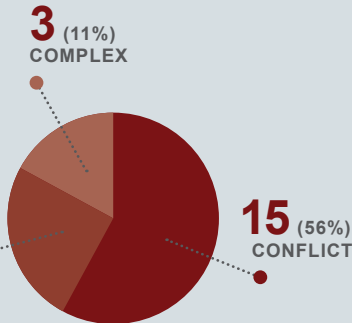


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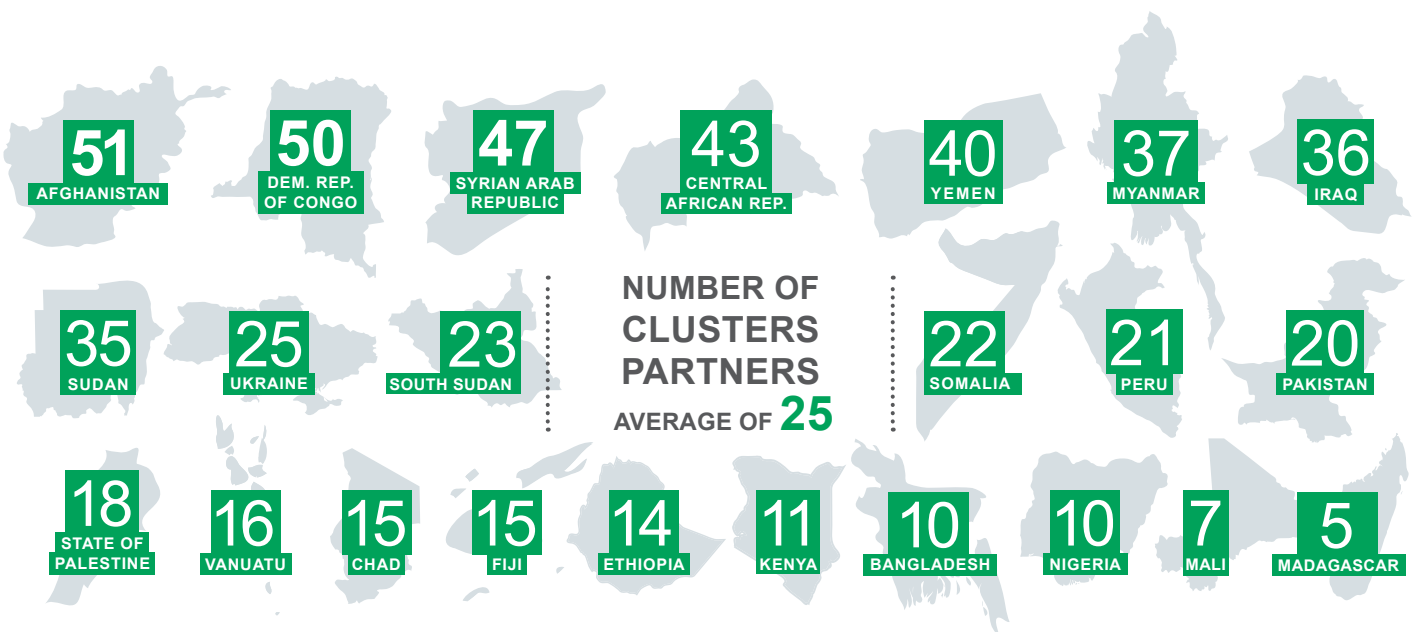
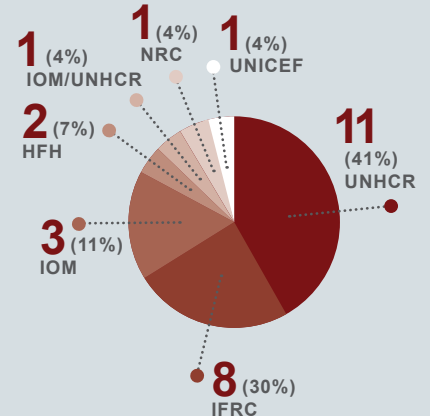


NUMBER OF CLUSTERS

BY TYPE OF CRISIS



BY LEAD AGENCY



UPDATE ON THE PROGRESS OF THE WORKING GROUPS

► CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS WG

This WG has developed a harmonized set of non-technical standards for construction processes that can be adopted in any context, and that will inform a consistent position on construction due diligence that agencies can commit to. The next steps are to roll-out these standards and promote their use.

► GBV IN SHELTER PROGRAMMING WG

The main achievement of the WG was the finalization of the Good Shelter Programming Toolkit and Site Planning Guidance, to be released in October 2017 and the field level piloting in both Philippines and Nigeria. Mitigation actions taken in 2017 have included site level upgrades and reconstruction efforts. These tools have been adapted to workshop formats, which can be further replicated as a medium for sensitization and broader dissemination, this in addition to other more diverse channels.

► THE STATE OF HUMANITARIAN SHELTER AND SETTLEMENTS WG

The first edition is planned to be published on the first half of 2018. The WG has agreed that, rather than focusing on one particular advocacy area, the first edition should provide a baseline and basic understanding of what humanitarian shelter and settlements is. There is a draft ToR for a lead editor and an initial table of contents for input and feedback at the GSC Meeting 2017.

► PROMOTING BEST PRACTICES AND LESSONS LEARNT ON SETTLEMENTS APPROACHES IN URBAN AREAS AND BEYOND WG

There has been progress on three main priorities for the WG: contribution of content to the Sphere revision process, drafting a terminology/definitions paper on settlement based approaches and a compilation of case studies of good practice and lessons learnt from implementing settlement based approaches.

► STRATEGY 2018-2022 WG

A zero draft of the Strategy 2018 – 2022 has been produced by the SAG. This draft will be shared for comments with cluster partners, country-level clusters, and other stakeholders. A consultant has been recruited to take the process forward. The Global Shelter Cluster meeting will offer a key opportunity to provide inputs to the new strategy.

► SHELTER AND CASH WG

Concept notes and proposals have been developed that will now be worked on by WG members with support from the 'cash champions' component of the ECHO grant. Shelter cluster representation within global cash discussions and broad communication of sectoral positions, concerns and opportunities has been extensive and shelter is emerging as one of the most engaged technical sectors.

► SHELTER PROJECTS WG

The main achievement of the WG was the finalization of the 2015-2016 edition of Shelter Projects, which was released in April 2017. Two launch events took place: Geneva (Palais des Nations) and Washington DC and additional funding was received for promotion and dissemination of the publication.

► NFI PRACTICES WG

The WG organized a workshop to capture practices on meeting household needs and NFIs. Guidelines from different organizations were gathered as well as formats of different related activities such as assessment documents, use of scorecards, use of fairs, post-distribution monitoring, common pipeline, IEC materials, and others.

► AMERICAS REGIONAL SHELTER CLUSTER COORDINATION WG

The aim of this WG was to generate contributions from Shelter Cluster members to engage a Coordinator who will provide shelter coordination capacity through the REDLAC Shelter WG, contributing to shelter preparedness outside response and ensuring adequate capacity during response. A call for expressions of interest to contribute to this role was launched but unfortunately not enough interest was generated to be able to sustain this position for 2017.

► PROMOTING SAFER BUILDING WG

Since its inception the WG has had 2 conference calls and a tentative date for the first workshop has been set for 24/25 October 2017. The work plan envisages two workshops in total. The WG also intends to engage a consultant for support in delivering its main aims: a proposal for a review of IEC materials and BBS messages; the development of a protocol to arrive rapidly at reliable BBS messages for any given context; and the writing of a final report.

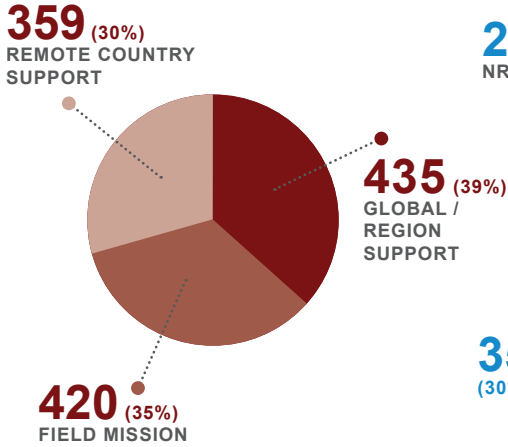
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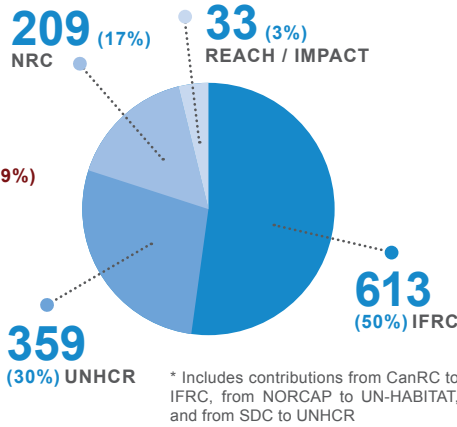
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TOTAL # OF DAYS

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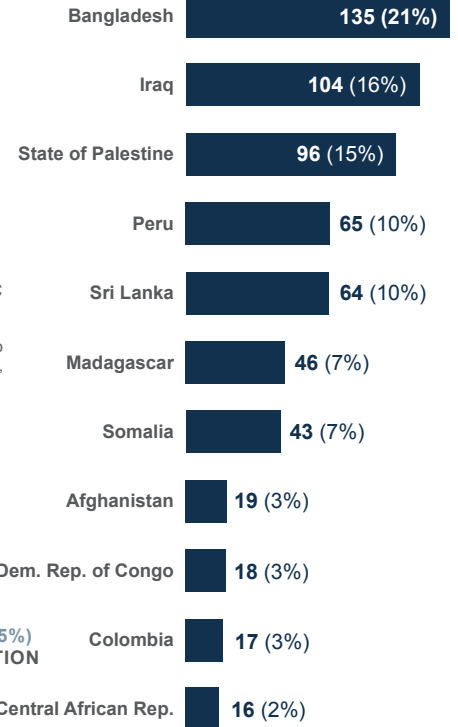


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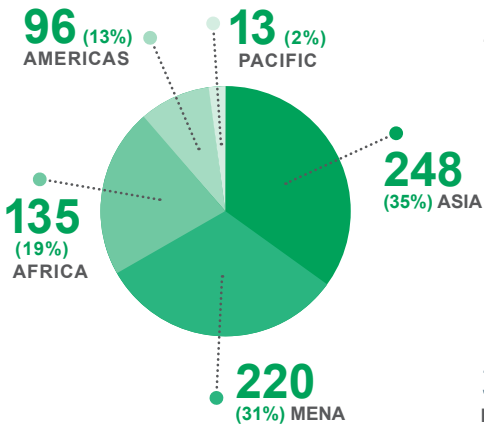
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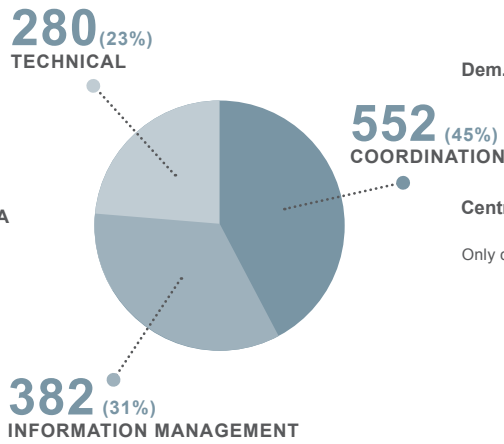


Only countries with more than 15 days of support are shown

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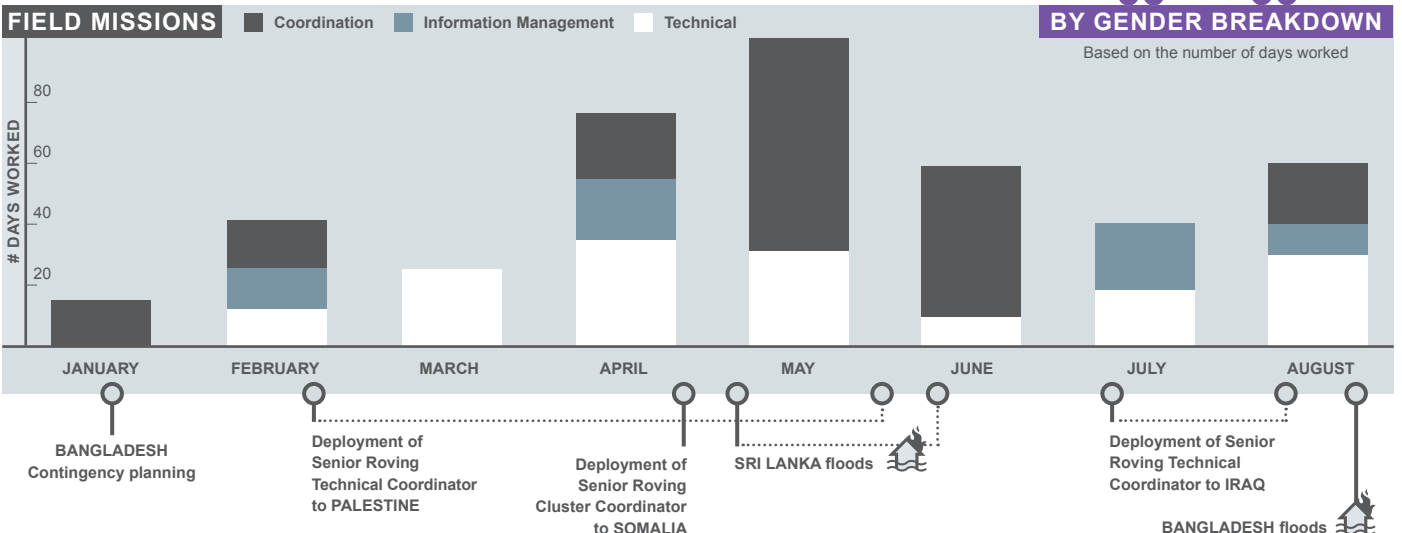


BY FUNCTION



BY GENDER BREAKDOWN

Based on the number of days worked






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OTHER PARTNERS

