

EHM Partnership Grants

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"Building National NGOs in Iraq that can effectively and independently engage in needs-based explosive hazard management response, in a sustainable and inclusive manner, aligned with the priorities of the National Authority"



Partnership Grants: Background & Intent

- Previously UNMAS Iraq utilized commercial contracting extensively for EHM activities:
 - Evolution of modality produced cost reductions year on year
 - Significant capacity in Iraqi personnel generated
 - INGOs well established in Iraq
- The next step? The establishment of a formal and long-term (2 year) partnership between an INGO and NNGO committed to the transfer of the skills, knowledge and attributes required for the independent conduct of HMA activities by that NNGO.
- To what end? Generate a NNGO that is able to effectively demonstrate the capacities required to exist and operate in its own right as an HMA actor.



What does the Partnership Grant do?



The INGO lead uses their own expertise / best practice to facilitate development of the NNGO, as well as define exactly what it is they wish to do in order to achieve the project objective.

8 Capacity Development Areas:

- Management
- Programmatic
- Operational
- Support
- Quality Management
- Leadership
- Risk Management
- Resource Mobilisation





Key Principles: Linking the Strategic to the Operational

4 Key Tenets:

Partnership.

One Team' principle

Sustainability.

 Local national capability is developed that is self-sustaining and selfsupervising and can thus continue to work with no or minimal supervision.

National Focus.

 Development of a national capability representative of the local community and aligned with national needs

• Gender Mainstreamed.

- Actively encourage and support integration of female staff into all levels of NNGO



Results 12 months in...

- 3 Grants in progress:
 - FSD and SHO
 - The HALO trust and Al Ghad
 - DCA and IHSCO
- 2 NNGO fully accredited, working under own Task Orders
- Gap analysis and work plans for year 2 produced continue progressive broader development
- So what?
 - Innovative response to a maturing HMA problem
 - Actively supported by NMAA and donors
 - Aligns long terms strategic intent with operational effects
 - Partnership Grants work!



Questions?

