



## World Bank Group Strategy for Fragility, Conflict and Violence (FCV)

### Consultation Meeting with Belgian government

#### Feedback Summary

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**Date:** June 14, 2019

**Location:** Brussels, Belgium

**Audience:** Belgian Government

**Overview:** Franck Bousquet, Senior Director of the World Bank's Fragility, Conflict & Violence Group, presented an overview of the WBG's Strategy for FCV Concept Note. Participants then shared their views and recommendations.

Specific Feedback from Stakeholders
<b>1. General Comments</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Participants welcomed the strategy and the clear synergies with ongoing IDA19 discussions.</li><li>• Critical that the Strategy focuses on the "how" in concrete terms. This will be essential to the successful operationalization of the Strategy across the entire WBG.</li><li>• Critical to have high-level commitment to operationalize the strategy.</li></ul>
<b>2. Partnerships</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Important for partners to share relevant conflict sensitive analysis and for WBG to share diagnostics, to achieve common understanding of the risks and local dynamics.</li><li>• Important to assess the value of different partners on-the-ground, including taking advantage of the presence of other donors with operational expertise.</li><li>• Need to work out incentives and cost implication to ensure more systematic sharing of assessments, striving for increased coordination and collective outcomes.</li></ul>
<b>3. Fit for Purpose</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Essential to look at human resources, skills, training needs, as well as implementation modalities.</li><li>• Crucial to have the right type of staff on-the-ground who understand the local context, who have the required technical/sectoral knowledge, beyond fiduciary expertise.</li><li>• Need for strong Monitoring and Evaluation framework, need incentives for tackling drivers of fragility, such as corruption.</li><li>• Strategy should consider accountability issues, role of civil society (e.g. women/youth), direct beneficiary feedback. Important to articulate how the WBG will operate in situations where the state may contribute to FCV challenges due to lack of legitimacy and trust in public institutions.</li></ul>

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### Specific Feedback from Stakeholders

#### 4. Other themes

- Important to focus on Prevention – welcome the role of the WBG in crisis risk financing, including insurance mechanisms. WBG better placed than humanitarian agencies to step up focus on risk mitigation.
- Need to further focus on link between climate change and FCV.
- Important to have clear criteria to define fragility and recognize different ways of identifying FCV contexts.
- Critical to look at FCV countries' absorption capacity.

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