Strengthening Resilience Capacities:
Learning Journey Insights from Somalia, Niger, and Burkina Faso

August 30, 2023
9am ET
TODAY’S Agenda

- Opening Remarks
- Presentation from SCC
- Presentation from RPM
- Audience Q&A
- Closing Remarks
Meet Our Hosts

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Meet Today’s Speakers from SCC

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RCLA FELLOWSHIP – OBJECTIVES

Resilience Collaboration, Learning, & Adapting (RCLA) approach for collective impact in complex systems.

Creating a community of trust for long-term collaboration that transcends the competition

Enable Champions to visualize, practice, reflect and adapt practical RCLA skills with the support of their cohort, strengthening their overall competence in applying an RCLA approach.

Establish a common language for resilience, collaboration, learning and adaptation (RCLA) that builds on the existing strengths of Champions as a basis for collective work

Plan and implement tangible strategies for applying a multi-scale RCLA approach.
RCLA FELLOWSHIP - FORMAT

WHO
IPs of USAID RISE II, GPCS, Bridge and National resilience institutions

WHERE
Niger and Burkina Faso

WHAT
Seven modules on RCLA concepts, system dynamics, resilient system design, organizational dynamics and RCLA planning

HOW
Three intensive face-to-face training sessions and nine virtual sessions in between

- Highly collaborative
- With simulations and case studies to contextualize the information given
- Peer-to-peer learning
- Diverse group from many points of view

- 4 cohorts (2 per country)
- 13 RCLA facilitators from SCC (Niger: 6 and Burkina Faso: 7)
- 71 Champions trained
- 40 Champions to be trained in two next cohorts (one per country)
RCLA FELLOWSHIP - IMPACT

- Improved ability to define resilience
- CLA awareness
- Better understanding of the relationship between resilience and CLA
- Added value of the RCLA approach compared with the traditional approach
- Equipped to apply the RCLA approach to the implementation of activities
- Identified and added areas of collaboration in joint action plans
Changes to Fellowship after the two pilots:

- Structural adaptations to meet participants' needs
- Changes in the targeting of Champions
- Refinement of some session activities
- Champions Network
- RCLA Toolkits
- Access to technical assistance and team flexibility for contextual changes
- Support for the development of work plans

Recommended changes for the donor:

- USAID staff participation in the Fellowship
- USAID's level of involvement by country has a significant impact on IP collaboration and participation
- Adding an indicator linked to the integration of the RCLA approach in USAID Activities
- More collaboration from USAID and IPs with local governments and other partners who will remain in the community
Thank you!
If you want to know more about SCC

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Somalia Resilience Population-Level Measurement Activity
Somalia Resilience Population-Level Measurement Activity
GOAL

Improve stakeholder activities in ways that better contribute to resilience capacities that support their common resilience objectives and reduce humanitarian need.

OBJECTIVE 1

Stakeholders are able to estimate individual contributions to collective resilience capacities in Somalia.

OBJECTIVE 2

Resilience in Somalia is assessed through an innovative measurement system.
Indicative Research Activities

1. Formative Drought Response Research

2. Random sub-sample of 400 households from panel survey participate in Recurrent Monitoring Survey

3. 5 rounds of quantitative RMS
4 rounds of qualitative RMS

5. Return to all 3,380 households for endline panel survey

3,380 households from 9 districts in the CDCS focal zone participate in baseline panel survey
Emerging Resilience Capacities that matter

- Social Connections
- Access to Services
- Informal Safety Nets
- Income Diversification
- Livelihood Adaptation
- Psychosocial Factors
Resilience Capacities – Outlier Households

- Access to credit & loans
- Social connections
- Positive deviant households
- Business connections & linkages
- Diverse sources of income
- Psychosocial factors
RPM’s Resilience Learning Journey

**Who & Where**

**WHERE** – USAID Somalia CDCS Focal Zone

**WHO** – USAID Mission Staff
  - Includes staff from different technical sectors, BHA, and Program Office

**WHO** – USAID IP Cohorts
  - Grouped in cohorts of 2-3 projects, with 5-10 staff per project (prime and subs); cross-sectoral, cross-nexus
Resilience Learning Journeys

PART 1
3-Day Workshop

1. Basic Resilience Concepts (4 hours)
2. Resilience Measurement (4 hours)
3. Resilience Contextual Analysis (6 hours)
4. Resilience Pathways (6 hours)
5. Finalize Resilience Pathways (2 weeks)

Milestone 1: The Context of Resilience in Somalia
Milestone 2: Resilience basics
Milestone 3: Intro to Resilience Measurement
Milestone 4: Resilience Evidence in Somalia to-date
Milestone 5: Systems Mapping
Milestone 6: Vulnerability analysis
Milestone 7: Resilience Pathways Diagram

PART 2
3-Day Workshop

6. Identify Learning Needs (4 hours)
7. RMEL system design (4 hours)
8. RMEL data collection (6 hours)
9. Resilience storytelling (4 hours)
10. Collective Resilience Framework Reflection (6 hours)

Milestone 8: Learning Agenda
Milestone 9: Identify resilience indicators
Milestone 10: Integrating resilience into MEL plan
Milestone 11: Collect data on resilience indicators
Milestone 12: Develop resilience stories
Milestone 13: Data literacy (virtual/optional)
Milestone 14: Use data to reflect on individual contribution to collective resilience outcomes

Twice per Year

Foundational Concepts
Design & Implementation
Monitoring & Evaluation
Reflection, Learning & Adaptation
Thank You

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