



## Webinar – No access, no aid? How remote partnerships are key to delivering humanitarian aid in protracted crisis

*Wednesday 11th August, 2.30-4.30pm Myanmar time/ 8-10am GMT*

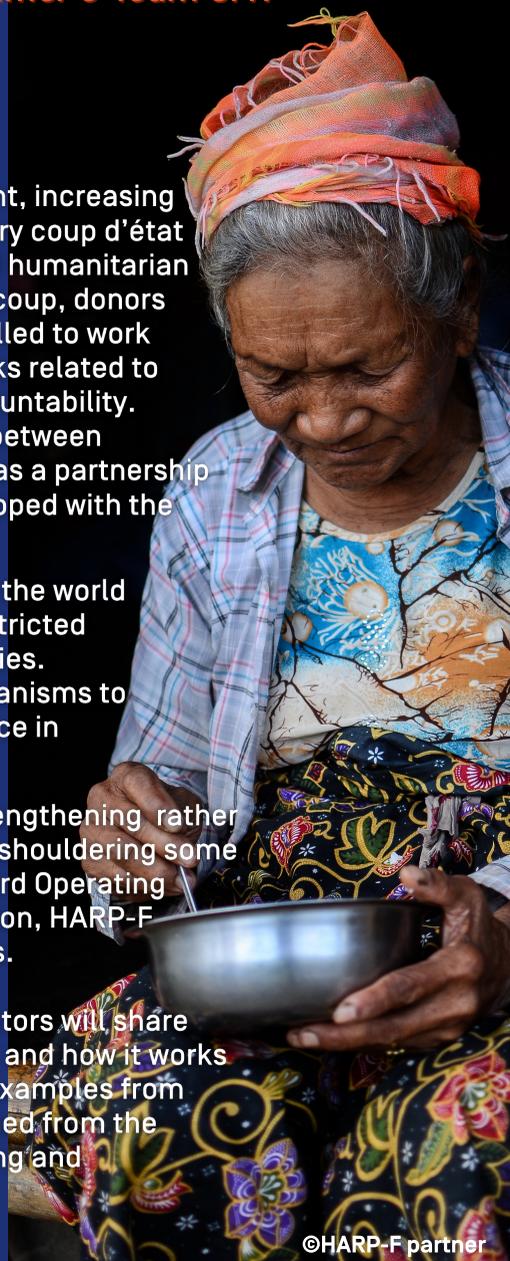
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In Myanmar, the layered dynamics of conflict, displacement, increasing needs, poor humanitarian access, the February 2021 military coup d'état and the third devastating wave of COVID-19 have increased humanitarian partners reliance on national partners to deliver aid. Post-coup, donors and international organisations are more than ever compelled to work through remote management and address a new set of risks related to oversight, governance, information, compliance, and accountability. Remote management requires to rethink the relationship between international agencies/donors and national organisations as a partnership in which national partners lead the response, and are equipped with the right tools to do so.

This is not unique to Myanmar: over 80% of the conflicts in the world today are protracted crises, with the majority including restricted access to some or all areas of work for international agencies. Humanitarian actors have had to develop innovative mechanisms to deliver aid in protracted crisis for years, and have experience in developing remote management models.

The HARP-F approach to remote partnerships relies on strengthening rather than replacing the national capacity to lead the response, shouldering some of the risks and compliance systems, and adapting Standard Operating Procedures to specific, protracted crisis contexts. In addition, HARP-F deploys a range of systems to support remote partnerships.

In this webinar, national and international humanitarian actors will share their perspective on remote management, what it requires and how it works in practice. They will discuss specific remote partnership examples from humanitarian programming in Myanmar, what can be learned from the experience of Syria, as well as global experiences in defining and implementing remote partnerships.





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### Host :

- Toby Sexton, Director- Knowledge, Communication and Impact, HARP-F

### Opening remarks :

- Sonia Zambakides, Fund Director, HARP-F
- Peter Medway, Consultant

### Panelists :

- Aung Kyaw Moe, Executive Director, Center for Social Integrity [CSI]
- Maxwell Gardiner, Project Manager, Center for Operational Analysis and Research [COAR] and Community Analysis Support System [CASS]
- Olivia Roberts, Lead Humanitarian Advisor, Humanitarian and Stabilisation Operations Team, UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office [FCDO]
- Duncan McArthur, Myanmar Programme Director, The Border Consortium [TBC]
- Mercy Corps

The panel discussion will be followed by a questions and answers session.

[Read more about HARP-F's work on remote partnerships](#)

This is the Third webinar in a series on 'Rethinking humanitarian aid in protracted crises' hosted by the Humanitarian Assistance and Resilience Programme Facility (HARP-F). The series invites local and national actors to share their expertise in delivering humanitarian programmes in Myanmar's complex crisis, and encourages discussions on aid modalities and lessons learned in other protracted crisis contexts.

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