

# The Global Resilience Partnership:

## Offer and Ask



### GRP and resilience

An increasingly turbulent and unpredictable world requires new approaches to development to support the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. The Global Resilience Partnership (GRP) is an independent partnership of public and private organisations joining forces towards a sustainable and prosperous future for all, focusing on the most vulnerable people and places. GRP believes that resilience underpins the achievement of sustainable development in a rapidly changing world.

GRP is founded on knowledge excellence, inclusive decision making and a commitment to finding new ways of dealing with intractable issues. GRP is organized across four interlinked “impact pathways”:

#### 1. Knowledge Brokering:

GRP is a global platform for Partners to access the latest knowledge and information on how to invest in resilience for development. GRP strives to become the ‘go to place’ for all interested in the field of applied resilience. To do this, GRP will contribute to a global coordination and translation of resilience knowledge, serving as a librarian - not a library - to direct Partners where to go for new and proven resilience methods, state of the art resilience insights, convening and events calendars, or commissioning research.

#### 2. Policy Engagement:

GRP advances the case for resilience and policy change, and contributes to transforming business as usual, by developing joint policy and communications actions and products and using them together to advocate for change. GRP strives to engage with and support resilience initiatives by building networks and leveraging opportunities for engagement to incorporate resilience across scales. GRP works deliberately through its Partners - each Partner representing an ‘open door’ of potential policy dialogue and change.

#### 3. Innovation and Scaling:

Great ideas can be born anywhere but need the right environment to thrive. There is a need for a safe space to test and scale disruptive, bold ideas for doing development differently, by building resilience of people and the planet. GRP surfaces and tests resilience innovations and incubates new ideas by designing and running challenges with, or on behalf of, Partners. GRP will also act as a broker to scale up public and private investment in these innovations.

#### 4. Business and Investment:

GRP will work with the public and private sector to foster and develop new mechanisms of investment into resilience. Identifying opportunities to increase private sector involvement in resilience, by bringing private- and public-sector Partners together to overcome barriers and making the business case for resilience.

### What is resilience?

In GRP, resilience is used as an approach to navigate the increasing complexity of development challenges and uncertainty, to recognize and address the root causes and dynamics of these challenges. Resilience is about:

- **Persisting in prolonged crisis.** This is the capacity of individuals, communities, institutions, businesses, and systems to survive and cope no matter the chronic stresses and crises they experience.
- **Adapting to and manage risks from shocks and sudden events.** There is a need to build the capacity of communities, businesses, development and humanitarian organizations and governments to deal with sudden and unexpected events.
- **Transforming in the face of change.** Building capacity to find opportunities in change and transformation to shift development into new pathways to build long term sustainable, equitable and prosperous futures.

### What is GRP's offer to partners?

To achieve its goal of transforming the humanitarian and development sectors, GRP's offer to its partners is to improve the:

1. **Impact:** Improving the impact of public and private sector investments in resilience by sharing knowledge and best practice on resilience programming at different levels by supporting the design and implementation of resilience programmes.
2. **Engagement:** Advancing the case for resilience and policy change and transforming business as usual to disrupt the status quo, by developing joint policy and communications actions and products and using them together to advocate for change.
3. **Innovation:** Helping surface and test resilience innovations and incubate new ideas by designing and running undertakings with, or on behalf of, partners, and acting as a broker to scale up public and private investment in these innovations.
4. **Business:** Identifying opportunities to increase private sector involvement in resilience that benefits the most vulnerable and people living in poverty, by bringing private- and public-sector partners together to overcome barriers and making the business case for resilience.

### What does GRP ask of its partners?

We invite organisations that agree with GRP's vision, mission and objectives to become partners and:

1. **Help set GRP's objectives** and strategy and remain engaged on its progress.
2. **Commit to work together** and share knowledge, coordinate and catalyse resilience innovations.
3. **Identify gaps and opportunities**, and work together to fill them through new programmes and investments around resilience.
4. **Work together to communicate** and highlight what effective action is and the policy and institutional changes that are needed to deliver this.
5. **Support GRP** either through joint actions and calls under GRP, contributing core funding, secondment of staff and/or other in-kind contributions, including sharing information on resilience.

### 3. Governance and Structure of GRP

The partnership consists of three bodies:

- GRP Partners – Organisations active in resilience and sharing GRP's vision and objectives and who have joined the Partnership.
- Advisory Council – that advises on the implementation of GRP's strategy and plans.
- GRP Secretariat – servicing the Partnership by convening and catalysing actions by the Partners and implementing activities on behalf of the Partnership. The Secretariat is hosted at the Stockholm Resilience Centre (SRC) at Stockholm University.

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