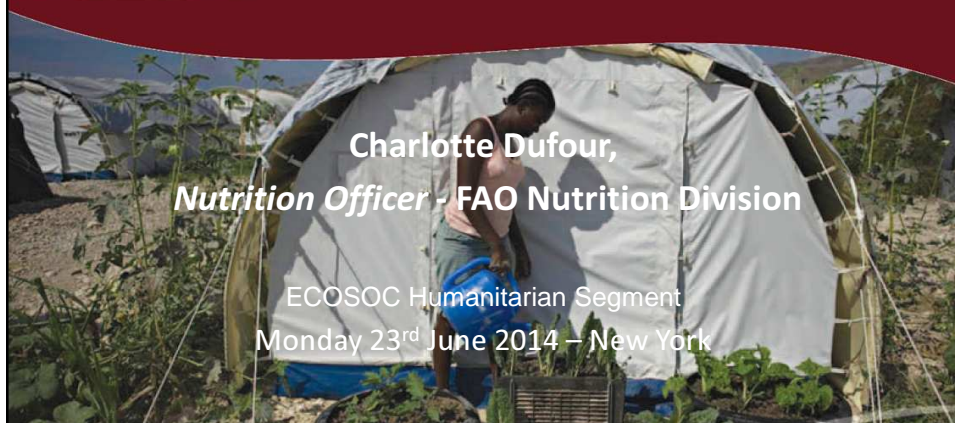




NUTRITION AND RESILIENCE: A COMMON AGENDA

Challenges, lessons learnt and opportunities



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Convergence between nutrition and resilience programming

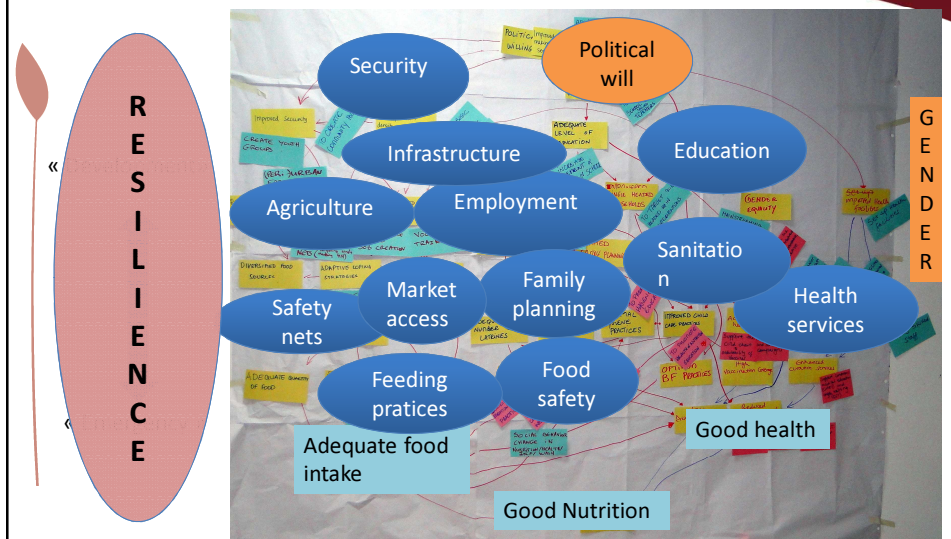
Effective resilience and nutrition programming both call upon:

- People centered
- A systemic approach (multi-sectoral, multi-level and multi-stakeholder)
- A twin-track approach, linking emergency and development
- Context-specific approach
- Strong local/country/regional ownership and political leadership
- Mutually reinforcing agendas
- Lessons learnt and tools on nutrition can be useful for resilience programming

LESSONS LEARNED: Challenges of multi-sectoral and multi-stakeholder efforts

- Establishing a common language*
- Institutional silos across and within institutions:
 - Between “food security” and “nutrition”
 - Between “emergency” and “development”
- Limited capacities for joint programming and action (organisational skills vs. technical skills)
- Tension between “systems approach” and “what to prioritize?”

TOOLS FOR BUILDING A COMMON LANGUAGE AND CAPACITY FOR JOINT PLANNING...



...as well as ownership



Building joint and effective delivery platforms

- Building on SUN and Resilience momentum to link FSN/resilience policy frameworks and coordination platforms (e.g. Niger – 3N)
- From an intervention-based approach to strengthening delivery platforms that can deliver multiple interventions and achieve multiple outcomes:
 - School nutrition programmes (ex. Cape Verde)
 - Farmer Field Schools: sustainable agricultural practices, gender and nutrition promotion
 - Women's groups
 - Leveraging private sector interests
 - Social protection programmes (Zero Fome; PSNP...)

Strengthening women's resilience and nutrition security in Kanem, Chad

- Negotiate access to « ouaddis » for women's groups for 5 years
- Fruit and vegetable production
- Small-scale irrigation
- Kitchen gardens
- Processing
- Marketing
- Nutrition education



Link to WFP FFW/CFW and UNICEF nutrition



Looking forward

- Maximizing nutrition impact of resilience-building programmes
- From concepts to action
- Community empowerment
- Investment in capacities (institutional and technical) and delivery systems
- Creating *incentives* to go from:
 - Short-term quick fixes to building resilience
 - Intervention focus to delivery systems/platforms
 - commodity-based to eco-system / food system approach