Assessment Helvetas WASH responses (LRRD lens)

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Background and rationale

- Objective: **Assessment of Helvetas WASH responses in emergencies with a focus on LRRD**
- Focus on the following topics:
  - Disaster Risk Management and WASH
  - Conflict sensitivity, Protection and WASH
  - Gender and WASH
  - Accountability and WASH
  - Market-based programming and WASH
  - WASH contingency planning
  - WASH rapid need assessment
  - Building back better and WASH
  - Approaches and challenges to sanitation and hygiene in emergencies

DRR and WASH

- Disaster Risk Management (DRM): umbrella approach that involves all phases of the disaster cycle: prevention/preparedness, emergency and recovery.
- Risk-informed WASH programming is paramount. DRR measures are integrated in every stage of the response cycle of emergency WASH operations

DRR and WASH

Main recommendations

- Raise the **awareness of the relevance of DRM for WASH**
- Provide guidance for participatory and systematic **multi-sector hazard-vulnerability-risk assessments**
- Support local institutions and communities to **identify, prioritize and implement relevant risk reduction measures** (e.g. to protect WASH infrastructure and services)
- Support local institutions to **build up / improve their disaster response and preparedness capacities** through awareness, training and equipment incl. securing funds (e.g. setting up contingency plans)
- Support local institutions to **consider DRM as part of their WASH/water development projects** (DRR mainstreaming)

Discussion

- Other recommendations?
- Learning from DRR mainstreaming in water ?
- Learning from multi-sector risk assessments?
- Other ongoing LRRD reflections?