

# Foreword

In February 2019, the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) adopted its Recommendation on the Humanitarian-Development-Peace Nexus and tasked the International Network on Conflict and Fragility (INCAF) with overseeing its operationalisation. This interim report, presented in advance of the monitoring report due in 2024, is a preliminary stocktaking exercise for the purpose of joint learning and as input for future events, including the high-level follow-up Partnership for Peace roundtable in May 2022. It analyses DAC and United Nations (UN) adherents' efforts to align with the principles of the DAC Recommendation.

The aim of this report is to take stock of achievements and lessons so far, and feed the ongoing collective reflection on how to put the nexus approach into practice. It is not intended as a full assessment of adherents' progress against the objectives of the DAC Recommendation: this will be part of the formal monitoring report in 2024.

This study contains both qualitative and quantitative data from a variety of primary and secondary sources. A global survey of DAC members, UN adherents, and their national government and civil society counterparts in host partner countries generated critical quantitative data and written comments. This Nexus Interim Report Survey was distributed to target specific profiles at headquarters and country level. A review of reports, policies and evaluations of the efforts by DAC and UN adherents and their partners further informs the study. OECD statistics on official development assistance (ODA) flows to fragile and conflict-affected settings were also used in this exercise. Several networks of actors involved in the nexus approach were consulted, among them the Inter-Agency Standing Committee Results Group 4, the Peace and Security Thematic Working Group of the DAC-Civil Society Organisations (CSO) Reference Group, and the DAC-UN Dialogue.

While comprehensive, it should be acknowledged that this report was researched and written within the limitations of available data, resources and time.

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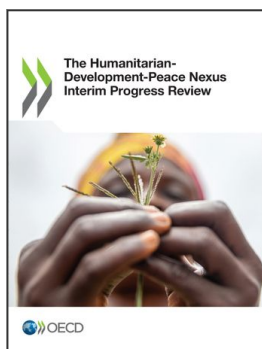
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