Mainstreaming Gender in Humanitarian Response: Examples from Mali, Nigeria and Uganda

Due to the complex nature of many crises, the needs and voices of women and girls are often overlooked and unaccounted for in response efforts. To address those needs, gender advisors, “GenCaps” from the Gender Capacity Project have been regularly deployed to humanitarian crises worldwide to ensure that response planning incorporates gender perspectives. GenCaps provide support to many aspects of a humanitarian response, from coordination and advocacy to local capacity building and data collection and analysis. GenCaps are a vital resource in addressing the needs of women, girls, boys and men in the midst of an emergency.

This side event will put a spotlight on the importance of keeping gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls at the forefront of humanitarian response by featuring the new strategic vision for the GenCap Project; and, participants will hear from GenCap experts on their efforts in Mali, Nigeria and Uganda. In addition, panellists will present their best practices and lessons learned as well as share innovative tools and practices to work with partners in the field. Panellists will also share how they have integrated the IASC Gender Policy and Accountability Framework into their work.

The Gender Standby Capacity Project (GenCap) is an Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) initiative created in 2007 in collaboration with the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC). In 2018, the GenCap project supported humanitarian operations through 18 field deployments and one global deployment.

Date and Venue
Friday 15 March
11:30-12:45pm
Conference room A. UNHQ

Featuring
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