



Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement Multi-Partner Trust Fund (MPTF) Resubmission 03 June 2013

Global CSO Network

“Mobilising Civil Society in support of the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement”

SUBMITTED by: UNOPS with Save the Children-UK as main implementing partner on behalf of SUN Civil Society Network

DURATION: 33 months

FORMAT TO BE FILLED BY THE PARTICIPATING UN ORGANIZATION¹ for SUBMISSION TO SUN SECRETARIAT

¹ Some parts have been filled-in by SUN Secretariat with information coming from implementing partners

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Programme Title:
 “Mobilising Civil Society in support of the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement”

Programme Number:
 SUN-Window2-012

Programme Costs:

SUN Movement	US\$535,000.000
MPTF:	
Other: Save the Children UK	US\$103,850
TOTAL (USD):	638,275.00

Programme Location:

GLOBAL

Programme Duration:

Total duration (in months):
 Expected Start date²: January 2013
 Expected End date: 30 September 2015

Review & Approval Dates

SUN Movement Secretariat
 Review Date: 22/04/2013
 Management Committee
 Approval Date: 17/05/2013

Signatures of Participating UN Organization and Management Committee Chair

I.	Name of Representative	Maria-Noel Vaeza, Director, Global
	Signature	
	Name of UN Organization	
	Date	
IV.	Name of Management Committee Chair	
	Signature	
	Date	

² The official start date of any approved project/programme occurs when funds are transferred by MPTF Office.

Background

Participating Organization:	UNOPS				
Implementing Partner(s):	SAVE THE CHILDREN -UK				
Programme Number:	SUN-Window2-012				
Programme Title:	“Mobilising Civil Society in support of the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement”				
Approved Programme Budget:	US\$ 535,000.00				
Location:	GLOBAL				
MC Approval Date:	05/12/2012				
Programme Duration:	33 months	Starting Date:	01/01/2013	Completion Date:	30/09/2015
Background to the collaboration btw the PO and the Civil Society	<p>With the civil society governance process that was finalized in November 2012, SUN CS network counts with a governance structure, including a Steering Group, a chair and an institution serving as Secretariat of the wider CS platform: Save the Children UK has been chosen to act as Secretariat to the Global Civil Society Network and indicates UNOPS as Participating Organization for this global proposal in recognition of UNOPS capacity to deal with complex issues and support civil and non-governmental organization and based on the good working relationships developed along the process leading to the creation and operation of the SUN MPTF.</p>				
Executive summary of the proposed collaboration	<p>The proposal seeks to sustain public, political and financial commitment and action to tackle undernutrition in selected SUN countries</p> <p>The proposal seeks to support civil society in SUN countries achieve 3 major changes (see also the schematics on theory of change below) at the national (and global) level in order provide the enabling environment for the scaling up of nutrition related policy and programmes. These are:</p> <p>1) Nutrition is recognised as a national priority supported by adequately financed national and sub-national multi-sectoral nutrition plans adopted by national governments. Civil society is engaged constructive multi-stakeholder dialogue raising public awareness of undernutrition and contributing to nutrition being identified as a national priority and being understood to be one of the main issues for which government's track record will be judged. Civil society action will sustain pressure on governments to allocate adequate funds to support national nutrition plans</p>				

2) Multi-stakeholder constructive dialogue on SUN at national level informs nutrition governance, policy and financing while contributing to monitoring nutrition interventions: through the establishment of accountable multi-stakeholder platforms at the national level, civil society will be recognised as a credible interlocutor by the government and other key stakeholders. As a result, nutrition governance and government accountability will be strengthened and systems and approaches to track nutrition related expenditure and increased expenditure on nutrition over time will be established.

3) Effective CSO alliances on nutrition are established to advocate for SUN at national level. Through the formation of inclusive and sustainable partnerships, civil society will be better positioned to raise the profile of nutrition and hold governments to account.

The proposal seeks to build on existing or facilitate the creation of new Civil Society movements in support of the SUN activities at the national and (if appropriate) regional levels beginning particularly with early riser countries. It aims to promote civil society leadership / leaders and ownership at the country level for the SUN process and activities.

By establishing a global secretariat, the proposal aims to promote alliances between the members of the Civil Society Network (CSN) the other SUN networks and external organisations including 1000 days to ensure coherence and unity in achieving the SUN activities. The proposal seeks to. The secretariat will also act as the interface between SUN CSO Network members and other parts of the SUN movement and will build the profile of the SUN CSO network with donors, policy makers and political leaders. The secretariat will also help the CSN Steering Group articulate with the country Civil Society Alliances/Platforms and advocate on their behalf at the global level.

The secretariat will capture and disseminate lessons learned on civil society engagement in nutrition and from initiatives in other sectors both past and present enabling civil society efforts in SUN to be efficient and effective. The secretariat will work not only with MPTF-funded Civil Society Alliances (CSAs) but also with civil society in countries with an unfunded CSA or without a CSA altogether. It will help civil society apply for MPTF funding and will seek to resource country level networks with technical assistance on advocacy strategy, produce resources which can be used by country level networks, facilitate the exchange of learning between civil society in different SUN countries and coordinate linkages between national regional and global advocacy towards multilateral institutions. It will support civil society in holding nutrition actors accountable on service delivery and quality.

A strategy for building the network is attached to this proposal (Annex 1).

The secretariat will set up information sharing mechanisms such as regular calls, Google groups and a CSO blog. Where possible the secretariat will leverage existing global meetings to bring civil society representatives from different SUN countries together economically. The secretariat will seek to support nutrition sensitive approaches by engaging farmers' networks – both by having key advocates at key moments, and by actively conducting research and building relationships with farmers' networks. The secretariat will also build the capacity of the country Civil Society Alliances/Platforms by funding consultancies to fill gaps identified by the Alliances/Platforms – particularly in advocacy and public policy. Any consultants retained for these purposes will be paid as UK local consultants at a UK-based rate.

The support of the SUN secretariat is requested to ensure that communications protocols are aligned with the SUN strategy and branding.

Please note that this amended proposal covers the running costs of the global CSN up until the end of September 2015 (so as to include the 2015 UNGA). However significant programme costs for 2015 are not covered and will have to be the subject of an additional future proposal if the CSN is to achieve the goals of this project. These costs include:

- The regional meetings in Asia and the Americas (to be held towards the end of 2014 or early 2015 depending on when additional funding is received).
- The global CSN meeting for all civil society platforms which will take place in 2015.

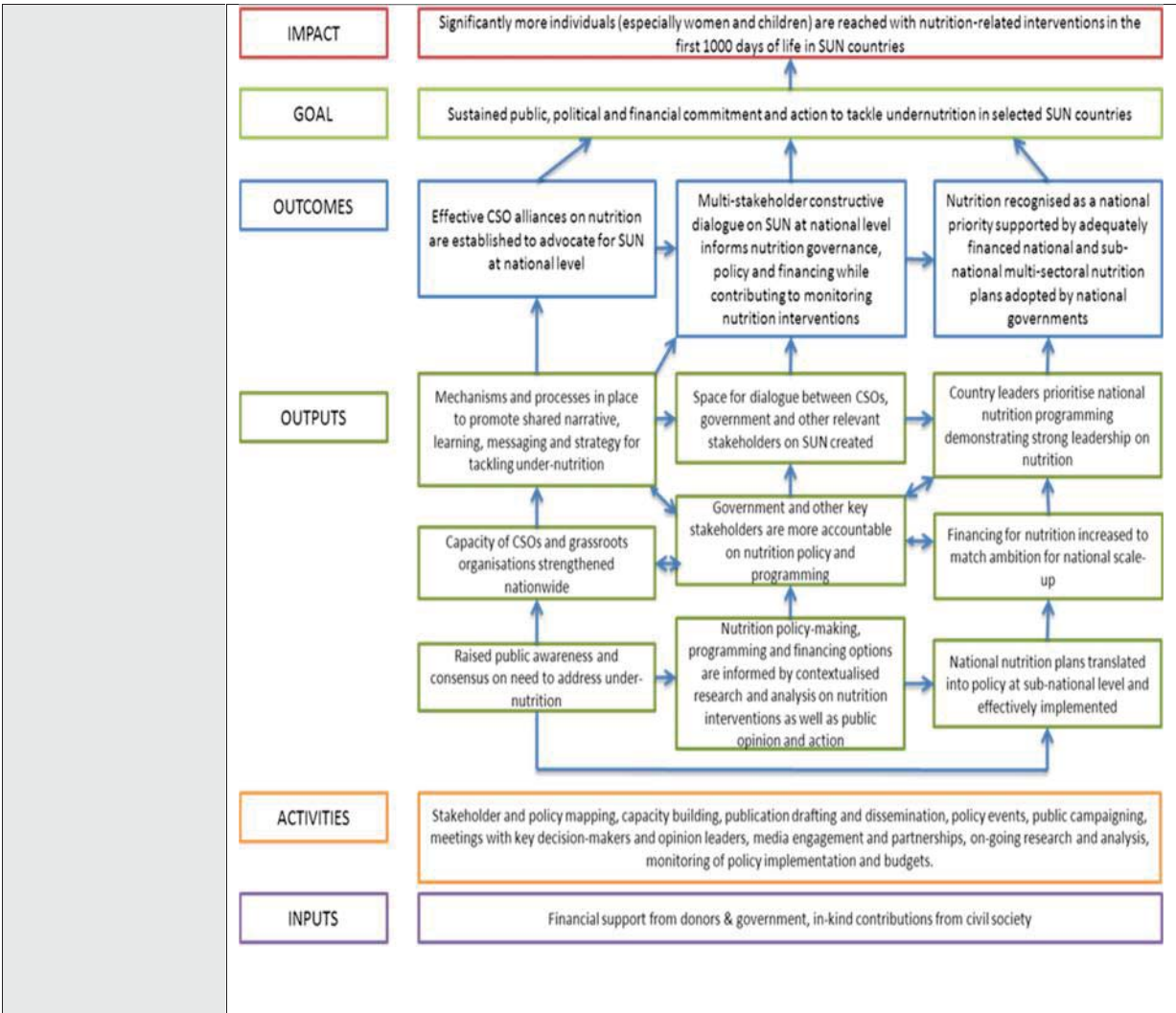
This in order to stay within the \$500k cap bearing in mind that the decision to support non-MPTF funded countries establish new Civil Society Alliances/Platforms implies additional costs, particularly to pay for country-level meetings.

CSN members will contribute staff time, and will align communication strategies and activities to fit with the objectives of the proposal. We estimate that Save the Children UK, as secretariat for the Civil Society Network, will contribute USD\$103,850 to fulfilling the objectives of the proposal (for further information please see the attached detailed budget – Annex 2).

Save the Children's contribution will be frontloaded so as to meet the costs of running the CSN until June 2013, when funds are anticipated to be released from the MPTF to UNOPS.

C Theory of change pursued by the proposal to scale-up nutrition

Participating UN Organization:	UNOPS
Implementing Partner(s):	SAVE THE CHILDREN-UK
Programme Number:	SUN-Window2-012
Programme Title:	“Mobilizing Civil Society In Support of the Scaling Up Nutrition Movement”
Total Approved Programme Budget:	US\$ 535,000.00
Location:	GLOBAL
MC Approval Date:	05.12.2012
Programme Duration:	33 MONTHS
Description of why the proposed strategy is the best appropriate for scaling-up nutrition in the given national/global context	



Explain which alliances are needed to have the action succeed and which risk factors are envisaged

This proposal covers coordination of the eleven civil society alliances that have either received MPTF funding or are awaiting it: Bangladesh, Ghana, Guatemala, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Nepal, Niger, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia. The proposal also includes support to nascent Civil Society Alliances/Platforms in non MPTF-funded countries and assumes that approximately eight further countries will hold national meetings towards forming civil society alliances during 2013/2014.

Without resources civil society engagement in SUN will 1) be largely based on relatively few INGOs 2) fail to turn into a movement and will remain simply ‘another’ international aid initiative 3) be unsuccessful in achieving its intended outcomes at the scale intended.

Investing in the capacity of CSOs will enable fuller participation in the delivery of an effective national response to scale up nutrition. In addition, CSOs provide a critical link to affected communities and are paramount in ensuring that their voices are heard. Investing in the capacity of CSOs will also enable the SUN movement to bridge the divide between the decision makers and affected communities, and foster participatory policy making

and implementation. This proposal will support CSOs in empowering the public and communities to engage in policies that affect them.

D. The Proposed Programme, including Results framework/logframe and budget as submitted by civil society alliances/platforms (attach them)

Budget: (budgets must be submitted in Excel as well)

This budget in table 3 below must be prepared for funding requested from the SUN Movement MPTF and preferably be accompanied by a detailed budget for each line item, providing a description of the item and the calculation of cost.

PROGRAMME BUDGET (SUN Movement MPTF Funds only)

SUN Movement MPTF PROJECT BUDGET*	
CATEGORIES	AMOUNT
1. Staff and other personnel costs*	
2. Supplies, Commodities, Materials	
3. Equipment, Vehicles and Furniture including Depreciation	
4. Contractual Services	
5. Travel**	
6. Transfers and Grants Counterparts	\$500,000
7. General Operating and Other Direct Costs	
1. Indirect Support Costs ***	\$35,000
TOTAL	\$535,000.00

* International consultancies are not eligible as part of the staffing costs nor as part of the contractual services

** Per diems and other allowances are not eligible as part of events participation

***Indirect support cost should be in line with the rate of 7%, as specified in the SUN Movement MPTF TOR and MOU and SAA, Section II- Financial Matters.

E. Monitoring, evaluation, and reporting

While monitoring and reporting will be done as per agreement between the PO and the civil society alliances/platforms, it is expected that a narrative report is produced quarterly for sharing with the Members of the Management Committee and for possible publishing on the web,

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Part A. Meeting Information <i>(To be completed by the SUN Movement Secretariat)</i>	
MC Meeting No:	Third meeting of the MPTF MC
Item No:	MPTF-Window2-012
Date of Meeting:	05/12/2012
Programme / Project	“Mobilizing Civil Society in Support of the Scaling Up Nutrition Movement”

Part B: Programme² Summary <i>(To be completed by the Participating Organization)</i>	
Date of Submission:	Proposed programme, if approved, would result in: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New programme <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation of previous funding <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain)
PO at the country level: <i>Head of Participating Organization(s):n.a.</i>	Contact: <i>Telephone number, email:</i>
Implementing Partner(s): SAVE THE CHILDREN-UK	
Programme Title: “Mobilizing the Civil Society In Support of the Scaling Up Nutrition Movement”	
Total Programme Budget: US\$ 637,500	
Amount of SUN Movement MPTF funds requested: US\$ 535,000	
Amount and percentage of indirect costs requested by PO (7%): US\$ 35.000	

² The term “programme” is used for projects, programmes and joint programmes

Part B. Assessment of the proposal –key criteria

1. Background

The following criteria for assessing the proposals have been provided for by the Management Committee at its first Meeting on 9th July 2012.

Criteria:

- (a) each country proposal be funded with capping at an average of 400.000 USD with variation in the cap (between \$300,000 and \$500,000) depending on the numbers of stunted children under 5 in a specific country. The Management Committee can exercise its discretion and award grants above this amount in exceptional cases;
- (b) Choosing current UN mechanisms for joint agency action –where available- is an asset as for the choice of the PO;
- (c) technical soundness (situation analysis, institutional clarity, clear deliverables, means of verification);
- (d) clear and measurable results, including results-based focus;
- (e) alignment with national policies and strategies for scaling up nutrition as shown by support of the SUN country Focal point on behalf of the national SUN multi-stakeholder platform;
- (f) support of wider membership of the Civil Society Alliances/Platforms at national level as properly demonstrated by signed letters or similar to demonstrate there will be stronger and more inclusive civil society participation in national SUN platforms as the project is implemented;
- (g) budget wise grants will normally not be used for: (i) per diems and other allowances for participation in SUN-relevant events (ii) engagement of international consultants (iii) indirect costs over 7% of the approved proposal and: and (iv) communications tools that already exist within SUN (e.g. website) and can be used at no cost to disseminate results.

Part C: Administrative Review

(To be completed by the SUN Movement Secretariat)

4. Review by the SUN Movement Secretariat

(a)	Is the programme documentation complete? <i>(all parts of annex 1)</i>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(b)	Is the proposal within the agreed capping?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(c)	Is the PO chosen a UN mechanism for joint agency action?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(d)	Is the proposal technically sound (situation analysis, institutional clarity, clear deliverables, means of verification)?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(e)	Does the proposal have clear and measurable results, including a results-based focus?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(f)	Is the proposal aligned with national policies and strategies for scaling up nutrition as shown by support of the SUN country Focal point?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(g)	Is the proposal supported by wider membership of the Civil Society Alliances/Platforms at national level as properly demonstrated by signed letters or similar?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(h)	Is the proposal inducing participation to SUN-relevant events with per diems and/or other cash allowances?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(i)	Is the proposal minimizing the utilization of international consultancies?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(l)	Are communications costs referring to any communication tools (including SUN website) that could otherwise be provided at no cost?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(m)	Is the Indirect Support Cost of the CS Alliances within the approved rate of 7%?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(n)	Is the Progress Report included? <i>(for supplementary funding only)</i>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Part D: General Criteria for Prioritising		
(a)	Please indicate the 2 key strength of the proposal with respect to the SUN movement?	(a) Builds on Civ Soc national proposals to form a Global umbrella for advocacy, comms and sharing based on national experiences (b) Civil Society network in need of full time global coordination to work at its potential
(b)	Please indicate the 2 key weaknesses –if any- of the proposal with respect to the SUN movement?	(a) Needs better linkages with on-going coordination mechanism i.e CFS and with other SUN Networks to avoid duplication in e.g policy analysis (b) Needs to expand own global network and to ensure advocacy work targets –among others- Civ Soc orgs to scale up their own nutrition programmes and be held accountable for that (c) Needs clear communications strategy to link global and national levels. (d) Proposed meetings need to be better linked to outcome/outputs relevant to SUN strategy
(c)	Please indicate the key areas where budget would benefit revision/refinement if any?	(a) Would be good to understand Global Civ Soc contributions to this budget (b) some office costs could be covered by host agency (c) Regional/Global gatherings could better utilize

		existing meetings. Need to be clear on cost/benefit
(d)	Please indicate any other documentation that might be required for final recommendation(s) by the Secretariat –if any?	<p>(a) SUN Secretariat would welcome info on proposed timeline for finalization of the CSO network strategy –including communications elements- and whether support is envisaged from other networks/SMS.</p> <p>(b) SUN Secretariat would welcome intelligence on ways to widen dialogue (local/global) with other CSOs on SUN.</p>
<p>□ <i>Overall review of programme submission</i></p> <p><i>The secretariat recommends the MPTF Management Committee (MC) to approve the proposal given that additional information is provided on point (d) part D above.</i></p> <p>2. <i>The Secretariat recommends MPTF MC to provide a grant of the amount of USD500.000</i></p> <p>3. <i>Secretariat recommends MPTF MC to allow the submitting organization to revise the proposal so to decide what to prioritize within the granted amount –also by taking into account suggestions at (c) part D above. The revised proposal to be sent to SUN Secretariat within the next 30 days.</i></p> <p>4. <i>Secretariat recommends MPTF instructs Chair to sign for funds transfer to submitting organizations as the points 1-3 are complied with</i></p> <p><i>please indicate final recommendations by the Secretariat including on amount.</i></p>		

Part E: Decision of the Management Committee

(To be completed by the SUN Movement Secretariat)

5. Decision of the SUN Movement MPTF Management Committee

- Approved for a total budget of US\$ 535.000
- Approved with modification/condition
- Deferred/returned with comments for further consideration
- Rejected

Comments/Justification

Part F: Administrative Agent Review

(To be completed by the MPTF Office)

6. Action taken by the Executive Coordinator, Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office, UNDP

Programme consistent with provisions of the SUN Movement MPTF Memorandum of Understanding with the Participating Organizations and the Standard Administrative Arrangement with donors.

Yannick Glemarec
Executive Coordinator,
Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office, UNDP

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Date