



From choice, a world of possibilities

Developing National Capacity on SRH in Humanitarian Settings - SPRINT Strategic Approach

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What is the SPRINT Initiative?

- 4-year pilot project launched in 2007
- GOAL: to increase access to SRH services and information for people in crisis and post-crisis situations in East, South-East Asia & Pacific
- 30 countries → soon 95 countries
- Key partners
 - International Planned Parenthood Federation
 - UNFPA Humanitarian Response Branch
 - University of New South Wales
 - National partners (MOH, IFRC)
- Funded by AusAID

SPRINT designed to address following challenges:

- lack of prioritisation of SRH in emergencies;
- lack of awareness of the MISP amongst humanitarian actors;
- poor implementation of the priority services outlined in the MISP;
- lack of responders qualified or trained to implement the MISP;
- lack of coordination; and
- lack of dedicated funding to implement the MISP

The international response to humanitarian crises is often perceived as *intrusive* and *disempowering* by communities caught up in disasters

→ How can humanitarian interventions be aid-effective, empowering and respectful?

Country-led, country-owned: SPRINT empowers local voices



Turkmenistan SPRINT Country Coordination Team

SPRINT within the IAWG Capacity Development Framework

What?	For whom?	How long?
Advocacy module	Policy makers, medical students, service providers	2 hours
MISP DL module	Managers, RH officers, service providers	5-8 hours
MISP outreach training modules	Service providers (outreach training) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standard precautions 2. Sexual violence 3. Signal functions for BEmONC (MgSO4, Antibiotics, IV fluid, AMTSL) 4. Manual Vacuum Aspiration (MVA) 5. Vacuum Extraction 	2 days per module

SPRINT is not just about
'training':

SPRINT aims at
**systemic change at the
country level**
of the management of
SRH in crisis

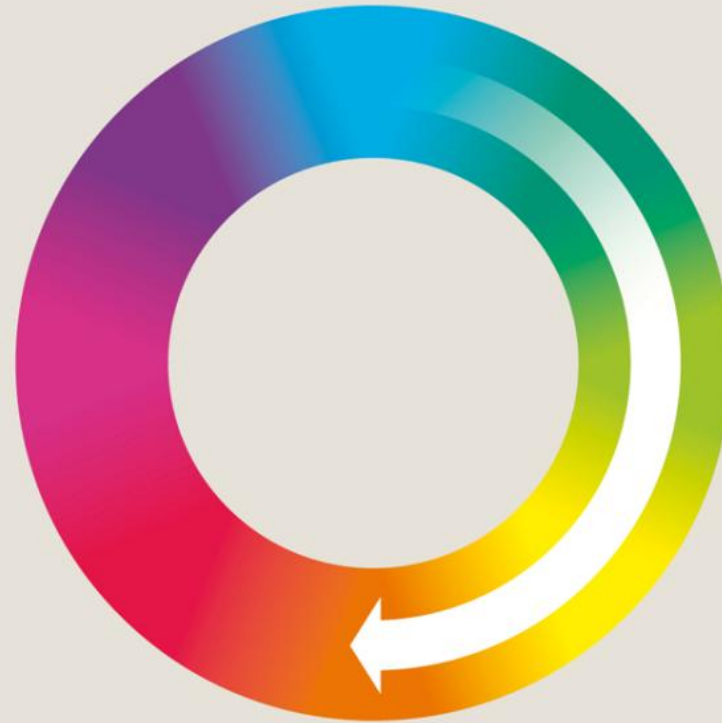
Participatory
action research

Advocacy for
enabling environment:
Policy & Funding

Mitigation

Comprehensive
SRH services

Recovery



Preparedness

Training,
Capacity
Development

Response

MISP
implementation

**SYSTEMIC
CHANGE**

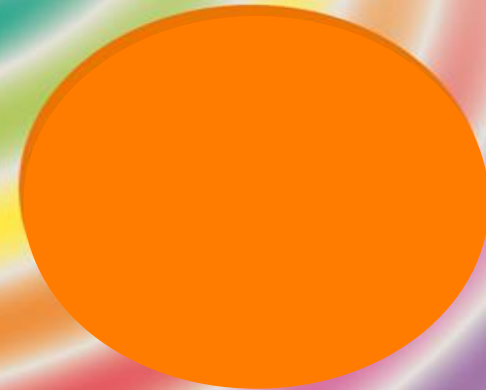
It all starts with a curriculum

- Established in 2008 (UNFPA, IPPF, UNSW)
- Reflects contents of Inter-Agency Field Manual and other IAWG materials
- Training unit: country coordination team - **not individuals**
- Covers: MISP, advocacy, coordination, response, establishment of **national action plan**
- Five-day training
- Interactive, group work stations, problem-based
- Pilot tested with more than 100 participants
- 2011 curriculum revision to reflect findings of action research and technical updates (IAFM 2010)





1 SPRINT training curriculum
on the coordination of sexual and
reproductive health services in
humanitarian settings



Kazmi – Pakistan
Role of CSOs in MISP
implementation

Eziz Natalia –
EECA &
Georgia

Rencee & Obet – Philippines
Magna Carta for Women &
MISP implementation

Florent/Martin –
Côte d'Ivoire
MISP → recovery

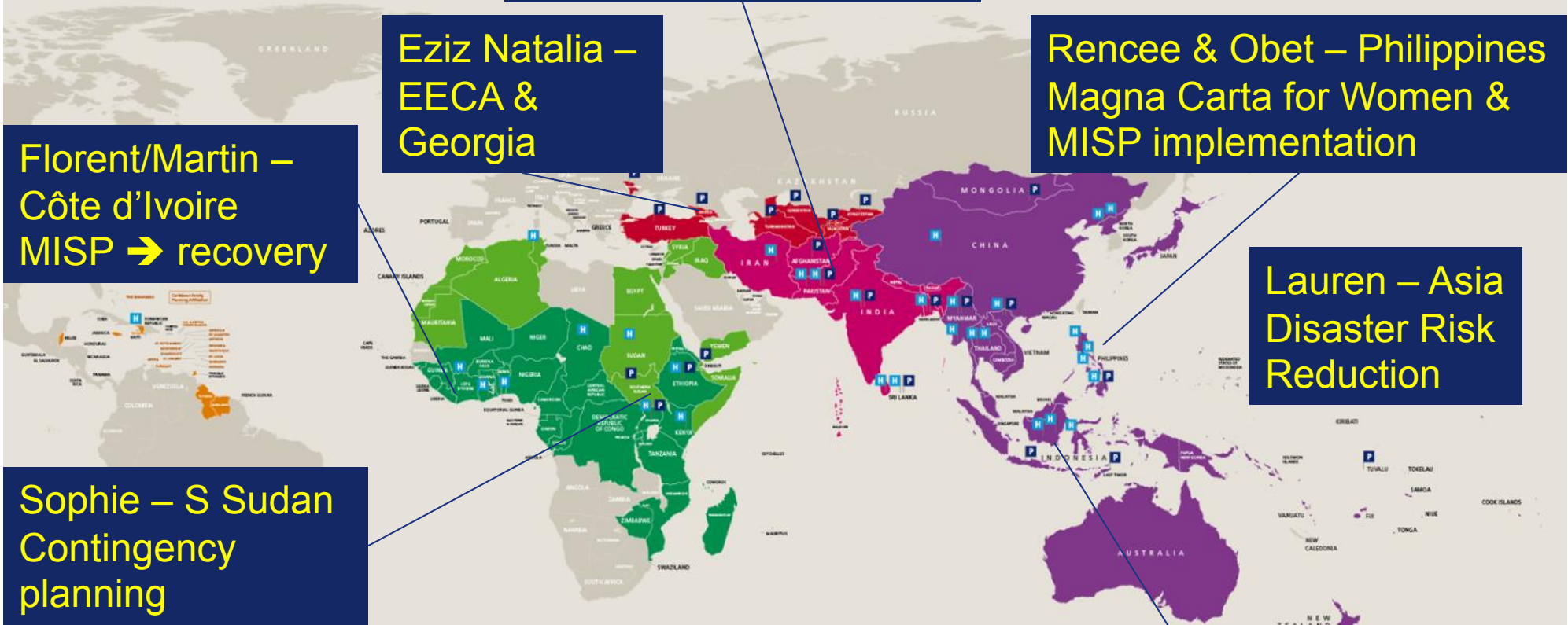
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Disaster Risk
Reduction

Sophie – S Sudan
Contingency
planning

Kristen & Carina –
SPRINT PhD Candidates
Participatory Action
Research

Wilma -
SPRINT
trainings

Indonesia team
Everything: disaster hypermarket



Lessons learnt & Promising high impact practices

- “Do not wait for an emergency to address the MISP”
- Inter-agency country coordination team approach works: aid-effective, respectful, empowering
 - Needs strong advocacy and coordination skills
- Capacity development is a continuum and does not stop after a training course
 - Continuous technical support to country coordination teams is critical to help implement the national action plan (policy, training, response...)
- Need for a clear terms of reference for each team member of the country coordination team
- Never stop researching and reflecting

A suggestion: replace 'capacity building' with 'capacity development'

process of unleashing, strengthening, creating, adapting and maintaining capacity over time at the enabling environment, organisational and individual levels

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