



Session 16	Security Collaboration & Networks	 Duration: 30 mins
<p>Session Summary</p> <p>This session looks at the role that security collaboration mechanisms and information sharing networks have in strengthening decision-making and improving security for all participating organisations.</p>		
<p>Session Objectives</p> <p> • Examine different security networks and information sharing platforms, and the support such initiatives provide.</p> <p>• Outline the aims, scope, and benefits of the UN-NGO Saving Lives Together (SLT) initiative.</p>		
<p>Learning Outcomes</p> <p>By the end of this session, participants should be able to:</p> <p> • Recognise the need to engage with security networks and how collaborating with other organisations strengthens security management for all.</p>		
<p>Supporting Material</p> <p> • GISF Security to go: a risk management toolkit for humanitarian aid agencies – Module 6.</p> <p>• Saving Lives Together (SLT).</p>		
Time	Suggested Activities	Resources
2 mins	<p>Introduction</p> <p>Introduce the session and provide an overview of what this session will cover.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S.16 Security Collaboration & Networks Presentation - Slide 1
3 mins	<p>Security Collaboration</p> <p> Ask participants: <i>Why is it important to share security information and to collaborate on security and safety issues?</i></p> <p>Highlight that organisations do not operate in a vacuum - what affects the security of one NGO will almost certainly affect the security of others. Stress the need to actively share information and collaborate to improve the security of all, but that it takes time and investment to be effective.</p> <p> Ultimately, security collaboration mechanisms and networks are only as good as the participation of the organisations involved.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slide 2
10 mins	<p>Security Networks & Initiatives</p> <p>Highlight the range of networks and forums formed in recent years, from informal meetings between NGOs to formal platforms with dedicated security staff providing information and support to the NGO community in a particular context. Draw attention to any existing security networks/forums within the operating context. Explain the role of INSO and the countries in which it is operating. Highlight the different HQ-level security networks.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slides 3-4

	<p> Ask participants: <i>What support and services do country/field-level networks and initiatives provide?</i></p> <p>After listing participants' suggestions on a flip chart, refer to the slide with examples of information and support services provided by such initiatives. Draw attention to specific challenges in establishing these services within the location.</p>	
15 mins	<p>Saving Lives Together (SLT)</p> <p>Introduce the Saving Lives Together initiative, outline its history, and explain its aim of enhancing UN-NGO security collaboration in the field.</p> <p> The primary objective of SLT is to enhance the ability of partner organisations to make informed decisions based on shared information and knowledge. SLT should be viewed as a tool to support existing activities in partner organisations rather than a substitute for in-house analysis and security risk management.</p> <p>Briefly highlight the key documents, the Framework, and the Implementation Guidelines, and run through the main commitments.</p> <p>Explain how SLT works at field level, the scope and limitation of activities, and differences between 'regular' and 'enhanced' SLT implementation. Solicit examples of how SLT is working within the location and discuss any challenges with implementation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slides 5-7