



SPF STATE AND
PEACEBUILDING
FUND

SPF Value Proposition



Leading global umbrella trust fund supporting implementation of World Bank's Fragility, Conflict and Violence (FCV) Strategy.



Mandate to innovate and push the frontiers of World Bank's engagement in FCV situations through catalytic and innovative activities with potential to be scaled up over time.



Agile, fast-acting, and demand-driven funding mechanism that supports the World Bank's focus on greater flexibility and speed when responding to FCV situations.



Platform for broad range of stakeholders to work effectively in partnership to get results and disseminate knowledge and lessons to inform future programs.

The State and Peacebuilding Fund (SPF) enhances and expands the frontiers of World Bank engagement in helping countries address the drivers and impacts of fragility, conflict, and violence (FCV) and strengthening the resilience of countries and affected populations, communities and institutions. SPF is an important component of the World Bank's response to FCV.

SPF focuses on piloting catalytic and innovative activities that complement World Bank programs can be scaled up and mainstreamed. SPF finances both Recipient-executed and Bank-executed activities and in certain circumstances provides seed financing through transfers to World Bank administered single-country, FCV multi-donor trust funds.

SPF provides a forum for a broad range of partners to gain and disseminate results, knowledge and lessons learned from innovative approaches in order to help them develop future programs and strengthen their institutional capacities for working in FCV contexts.

Frontier and Emerging Areas

SPF supports innovative work at the frontiers of the World Bank's engagement in FCV contexts in order to more effectively address the drivers and impacts of FCV.



SPF Theory of Change



Institutional Vision and Goals

Support progress toward the World Bank Twin Goals of eradication of extreme poverty and boosting shared prosperity and SDG outcomes by addressing causes and drivers of FCV and promoting sustainable peace and recovery following crises.



SPF Development Objective

Enhance and expand the frontiers of World Bank engagement in addressing the drivers and impacts of FCV and strengthen the resilience of countries and affected populations, communities, and institutions.



SPF Program Objectives

Program Objective 1

Develop new strategic and operational approaches and solutions to address FCV drivers and impacts.

Program Objective 2

Leverage IDA and other funding sources to address FCV priorities, through targeted and catalytic SPF financing and pilot interventions.

Program Objective 3

Facilitate and help deliver collective results across the humanitarian, development, and peacebuilding nexus, through effective partnerships and policy dialogue.

Program Objective 4

Strengthen institutional knowledge and capacities regarding FCV at global, regional, and country levels.



FCV Strategy Pillars and Corresponding SPF Areas of Focus



Preventing Violent Conflict and Interpersonal Violence

SPF Focus: Support efforts to understand, prevent, and mitigate the causes and risks of violence and conflict.



Remaining Engaged During Conflict and Crisis Situations

SPF Focus: Support timely and effective response to crises and transitions, while strengthening resilience to FCV shocks.



Helping Countries Transition Out of Fragility

SPF Focus: Support sustainable recovery from crises and conflict, build resilience, strengthen institutions and governance, and address FCV drivers.



Mitigating the Spillovers of FCV

SPF Focus: Support the identification, prevention, and mitigation of cross-border and regional FCV drivers and consequences.



Cross-Cutting Priorities



Focus on inclusion: Ensure that the needs of the most disadvantaged and vulnerable populations are prioritized, paying especial attention to forcibly displaced populations and host communities.



Address the gender-specific drivers and impacts of FCV: Ensure that interventions integrate gender-responsive approaches.

Strategic Areas of Focus

I. PREVENTING VIOLENT CONFLICT AND INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE



Supports analyzing and monitoring risks related to violence and conflict; identifying approaches to mitigate FCV drivers and vulnerabilities; strengthening sources of resilience; and assessing gender-specific causes and manifestations of violence and the role of women in risk prevention and mitigation.

II. REMAINING ENGAGED DURING CONFLICT AND CRISIS SITUATIONS



Supports preserving human and institutional capacities, strengthening resilience, and establishing foundations for recovery and reconstruction, as well as responding to emergency situations, in line with the World Bank's capacity to provide rapid and flexible support.

III. HELPING COUNTRIES TRANSITION OUT OF FRAGILITY



Contributes to sustainable recovery from crisis and conflict and promotes conflict-sensitive development solutions. SPF supports interventions addressing immediate post-conflict transition priorities and identifying long-term development pathways to address the root causes of FCV.

IV. MITIGATING THE SPILLOVERS OF FRAGILITY, CONFLICT, AND VIOLENCE



Supports addressing regional and transboundary shocks and stresses, to prevent and mitigate the spillovers of FCV, and to support countries and vulnerable and marginalized communities impacted by cross-border crises including forced displacement, famines, pandemics and climate challenges.

SPF Governance

SPF is a demand-driven fund with a three-tiered governance structure.

SPF Partnership Council

Provides strategic guidance, monitors progress, and ensures resources are channeled into initiatives relevant to FCV contexts. The Partnership Council is chaired by the World Bank and consists of World Bank senior management and donor partners.

SPF Technical Advisory Committee

Governance body responsible for decision making on proposals and advising on new areas of engagement. The committee is composed of representatives from The World Bank's Global Practices, Regions, and corporate units.

SPF Program Management Team

Reviews and provides guidance on proposals, ensure eligibility for SPF funding, and manages day-to-day operations of the fund.

Proposals are prepared and submitted by World Bank task teams on a rolling basis.



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