



# Module 5: Durable solutions programming

DURABLE  
SOLUTIONS  
PLATFORM

# Learning objectives

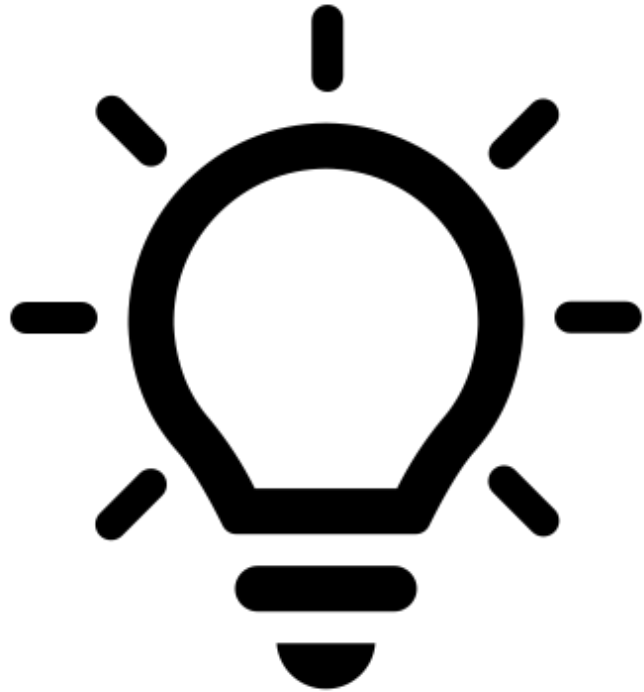
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Understand the definition, principles and enabling factors of DS programming

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Explore how to design and implement DS programming



What is durable  
solutions  
programming?

## Durable Solutions Programming

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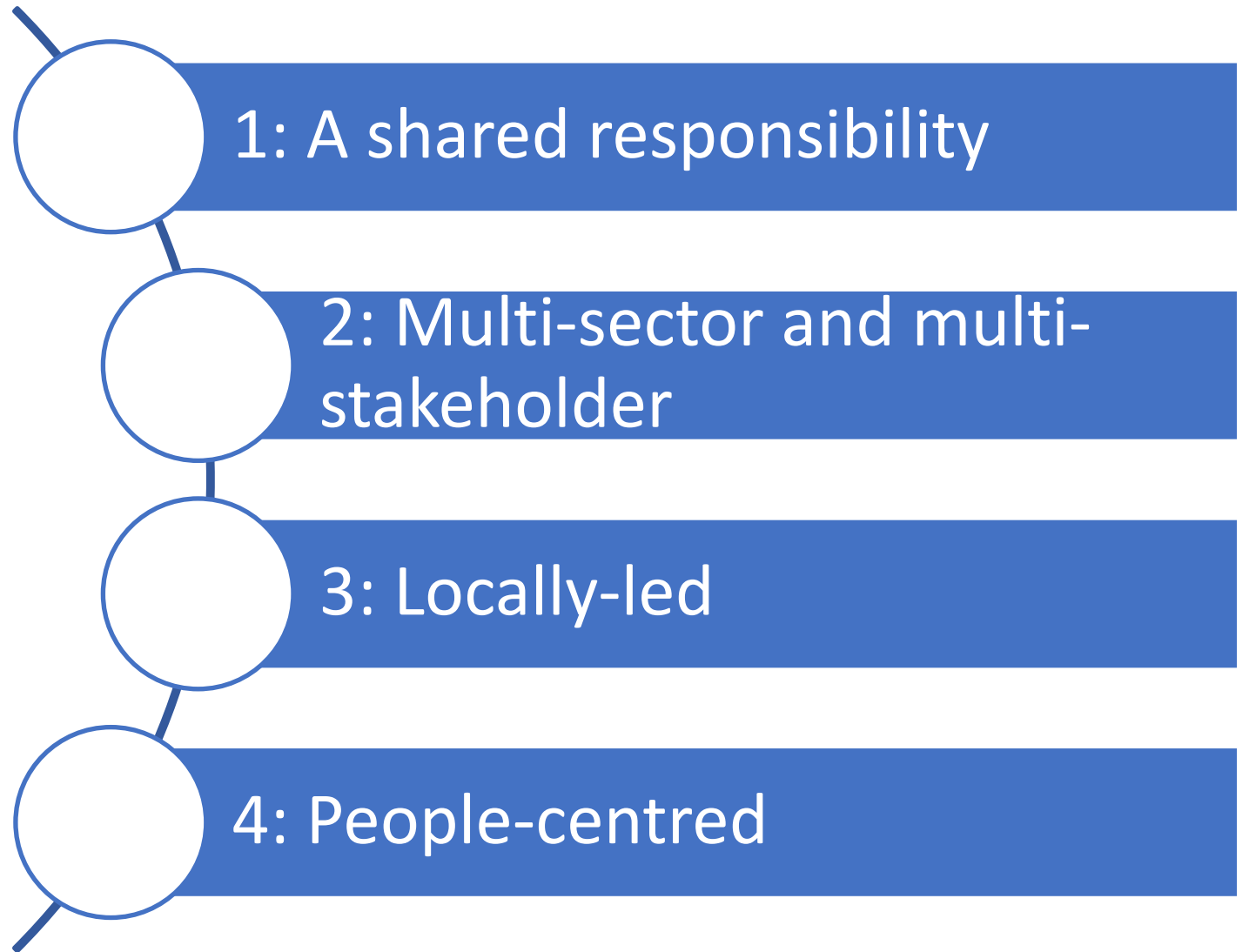
*“Durable solutions programming” encompasses a wide range of interventions and approaches that directly support durable solutions or help to build environments that enable pathways towards future durable solutions in contexts including emergencies or protracted displacement”.*

# What helps durable solutions programming?

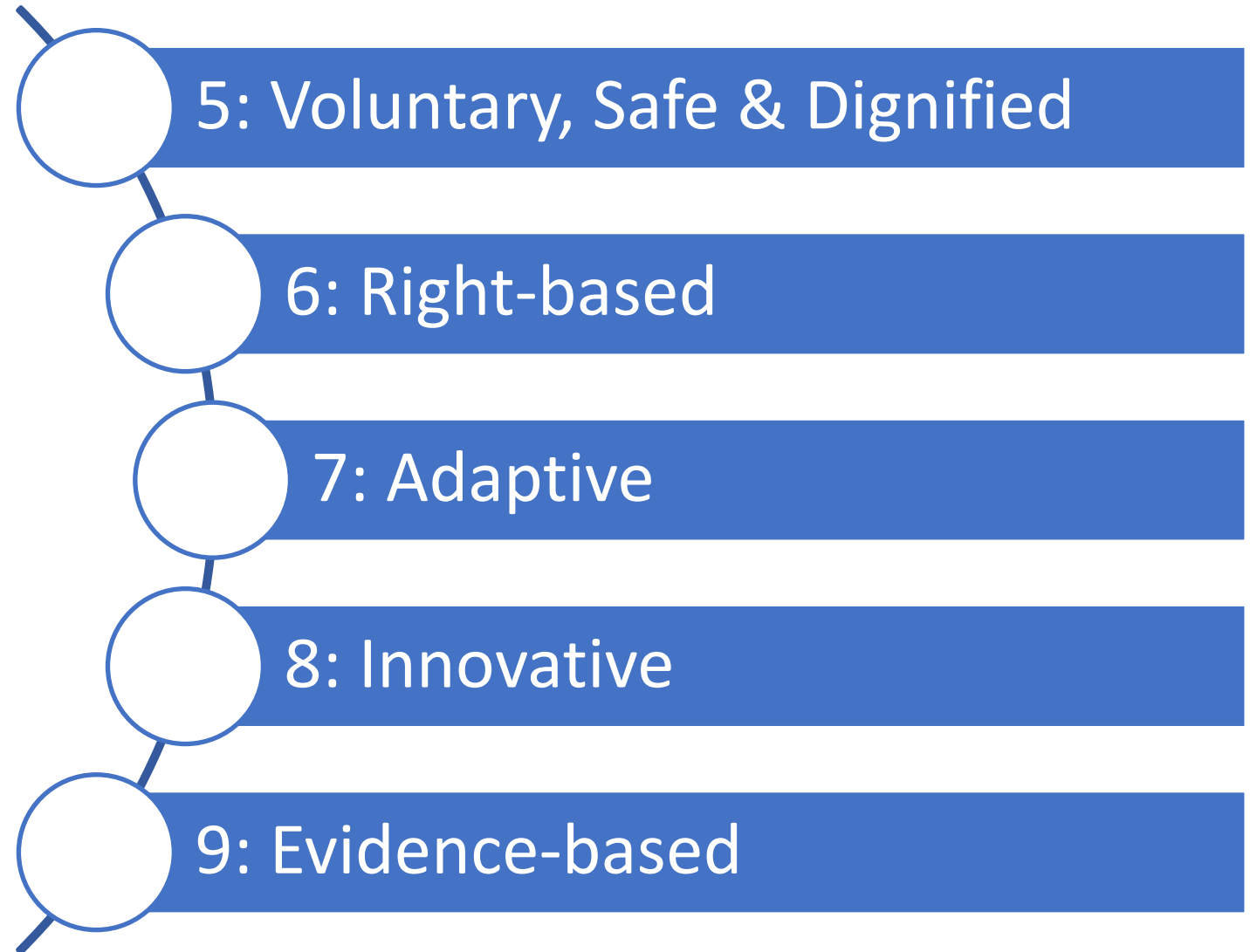
- Legal and policy environment
- Capacity and willingness of authorities
- No major pressure to return or relocate
- Security and accessibility of DACs
- Flexible, multi-year funding
- Durable solutions plans and strategies
- Collaboration between different spheres (humanitarian, development, peacebuilding, stabilization)



# Durable solutions programming principles/1



# Durable solutions programming principles/2





# Group Activity: application of principles

Consider the following question for each principle individually:

- To what extent are humanitarian organizations applying this principle in your context?



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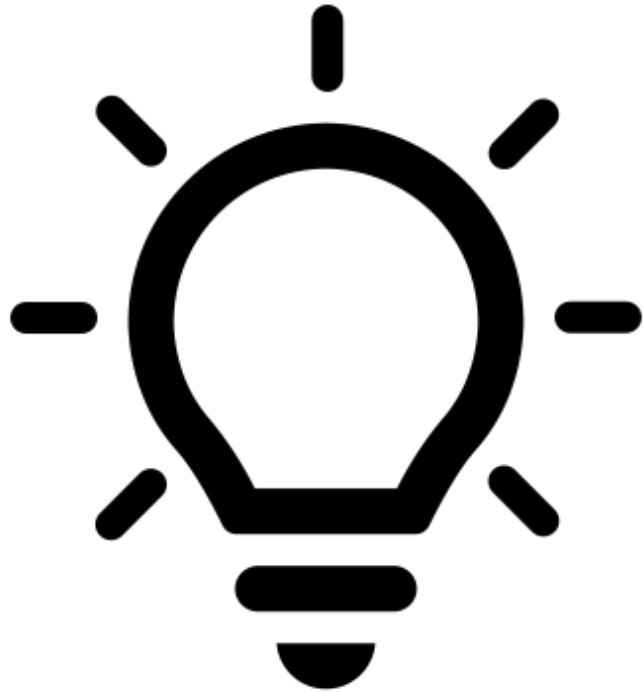
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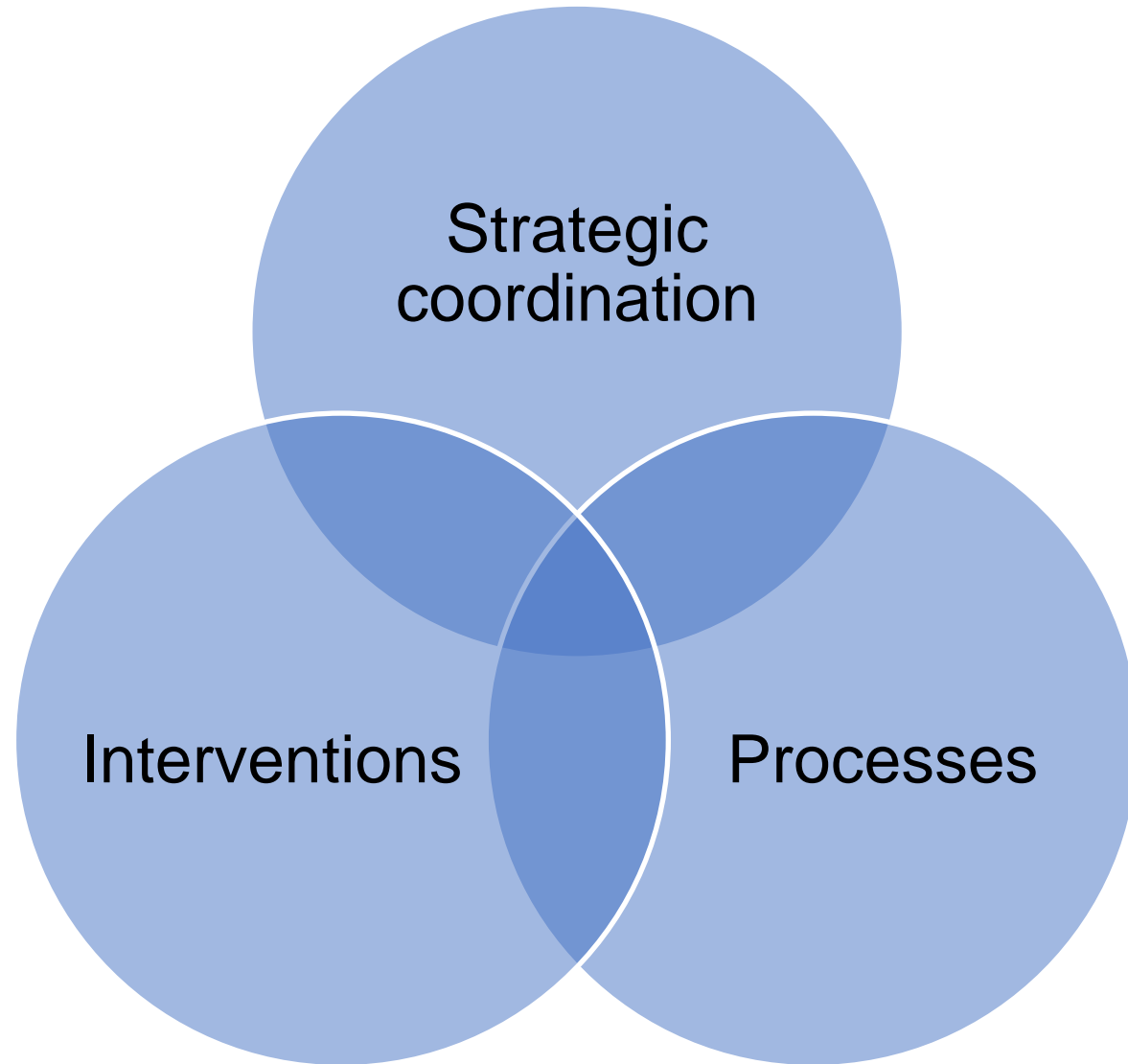
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**Explore steps that can be taken to design and implement DS programming**



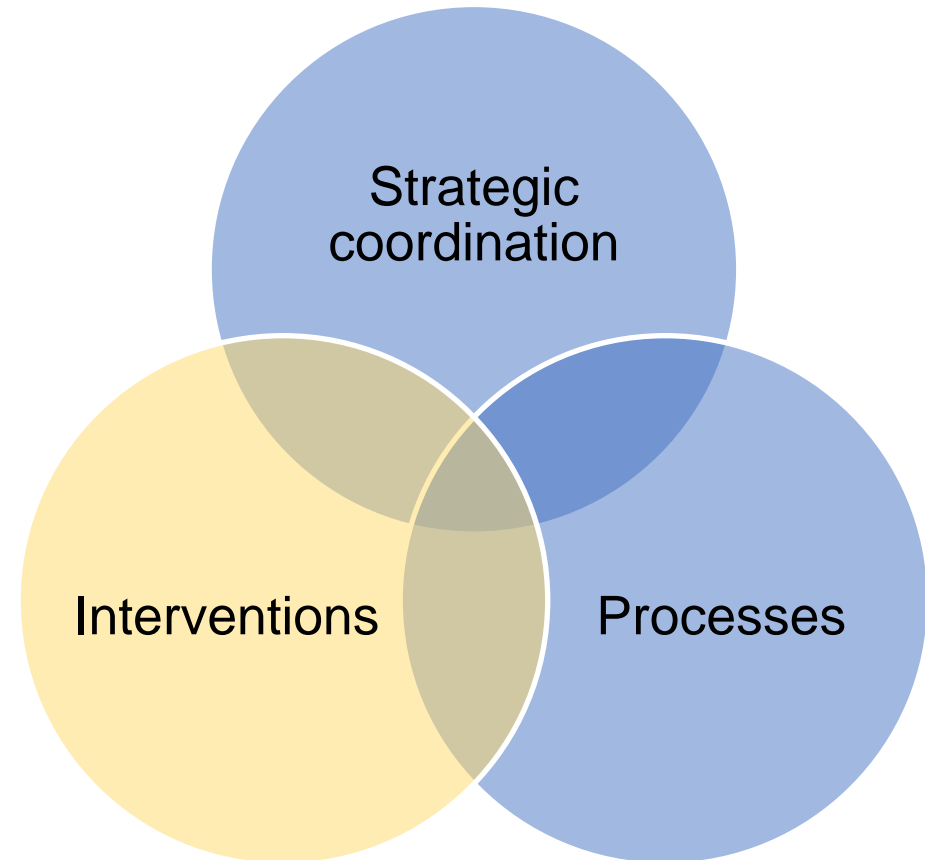
**What does DS  
programming look like  
in practice?**

# The different elements of durable solutions programming




# Interventions

- Specialized interventions that directly contribute to the 8 criteria in the IASC Framework
- Dependent on an individual organization's expertise, capacity, and areas of programming focus
- Emphasis on integration between different sectors.

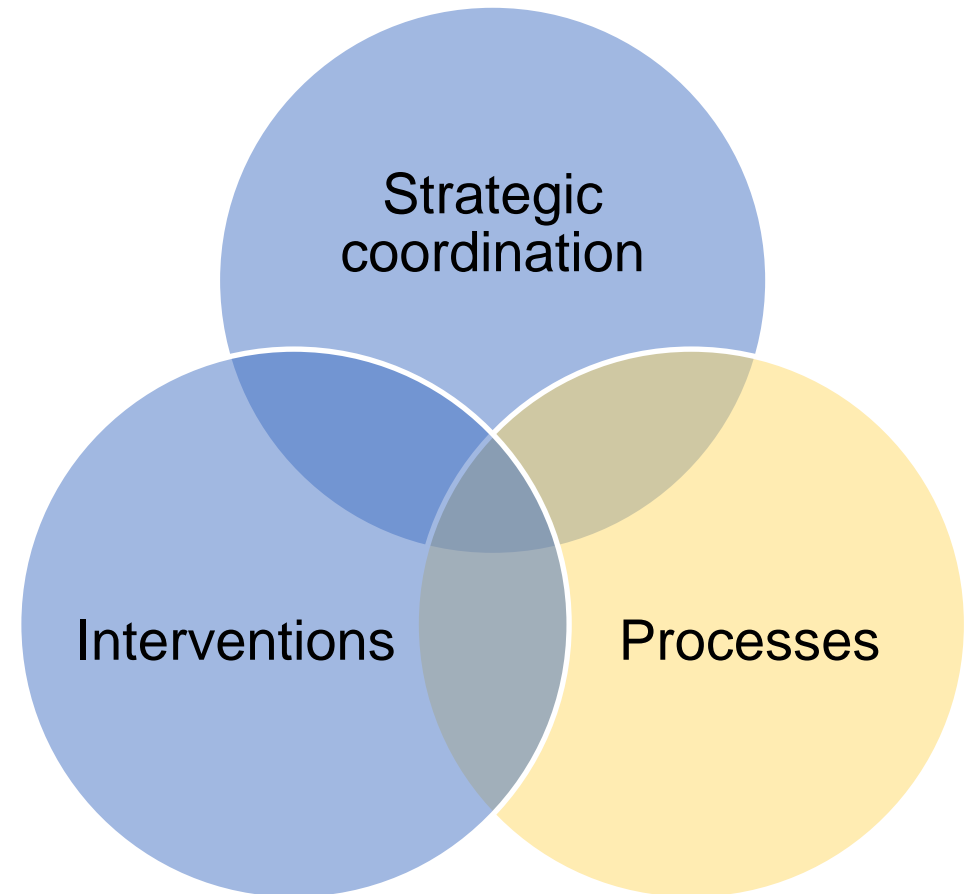


## Interventions: illustrative examples

- Providing information to help people make an informed choice on which durable solutions options to pursue
  - Establishing, strengthening, expanding or rehabilitating services or infrastructure in DACs (IASC condition #2)
  - Supporting refugees to access employment opportunities (IASC condition #3)
  - Supporting individuals to reclaim HLP they have lost during the course of displacement (IASC condition #4)
  - Providing advice and support to individuals to help them obtain their legal documents (IASC condition #5).
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# Processes

- Focus is on “solutions mainstreaming”, which entails paying attention to, and seeking to address, displacement-specific needs and vulnerabilities throughout the program cycle.
- Programming in all sectors in displacement contexts can and should take action to mainstream durable solutions



# Solutions Mainstreaming: Examples

Identify information on displacement-specific needs and vulnerabilities

Design interventions to promote access to shared, rather than separate services, for displaced and host populations.

Disaggregate indicators by displacement status (refugee, IDP, returnee, host)

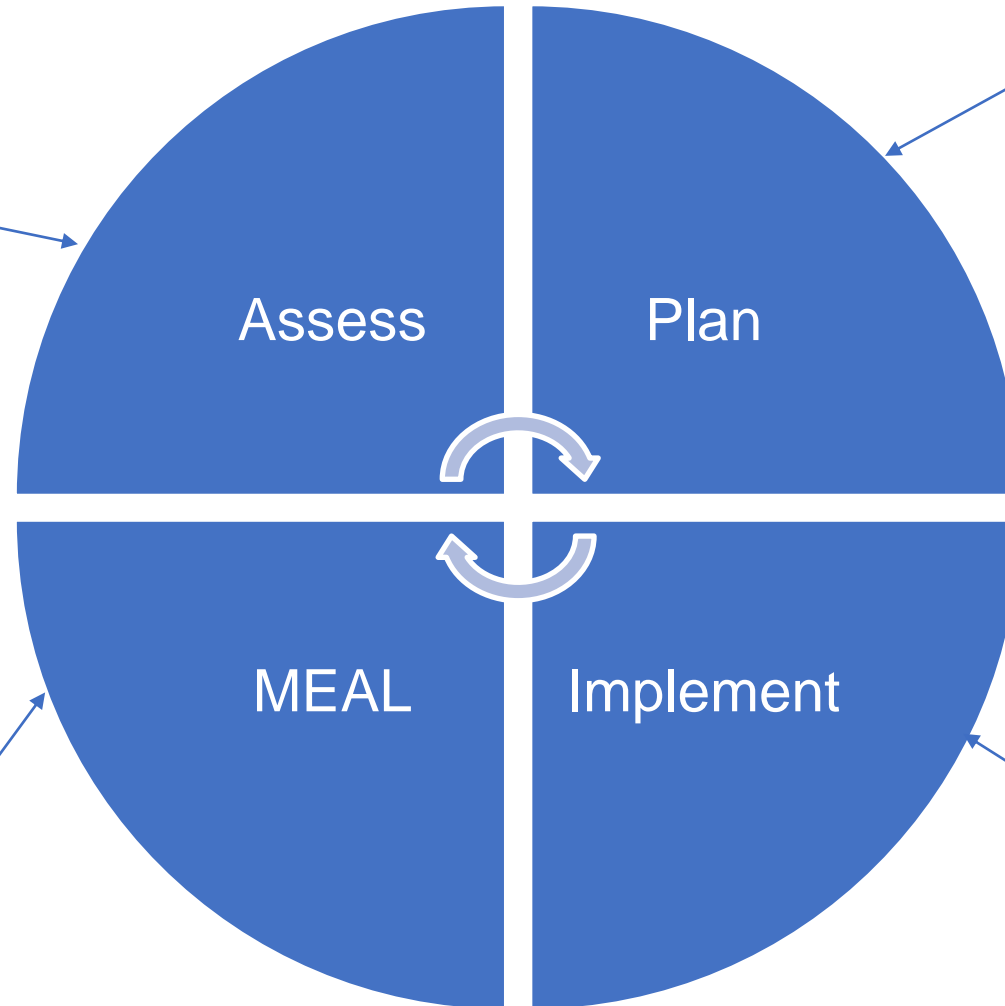
Adapt interventions in response to changes in the displacement context, legal and policy environment and priorities of displacement-affected communities.

Assess

Plan

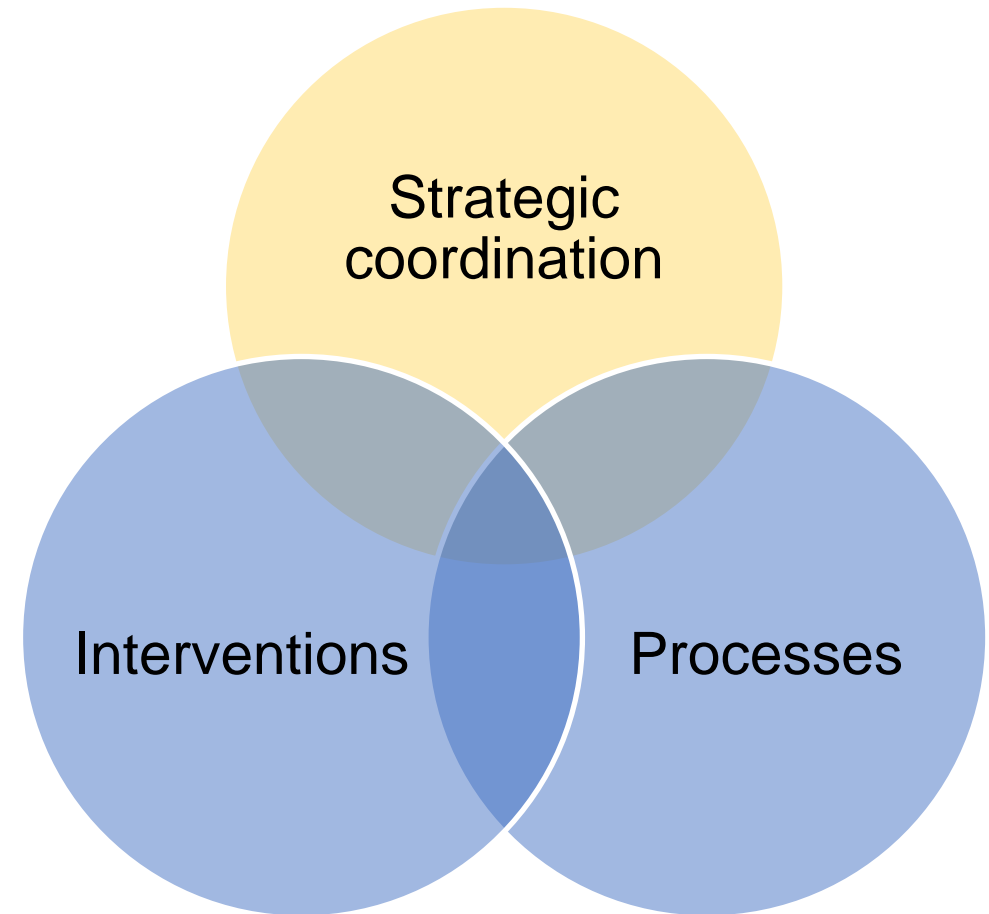
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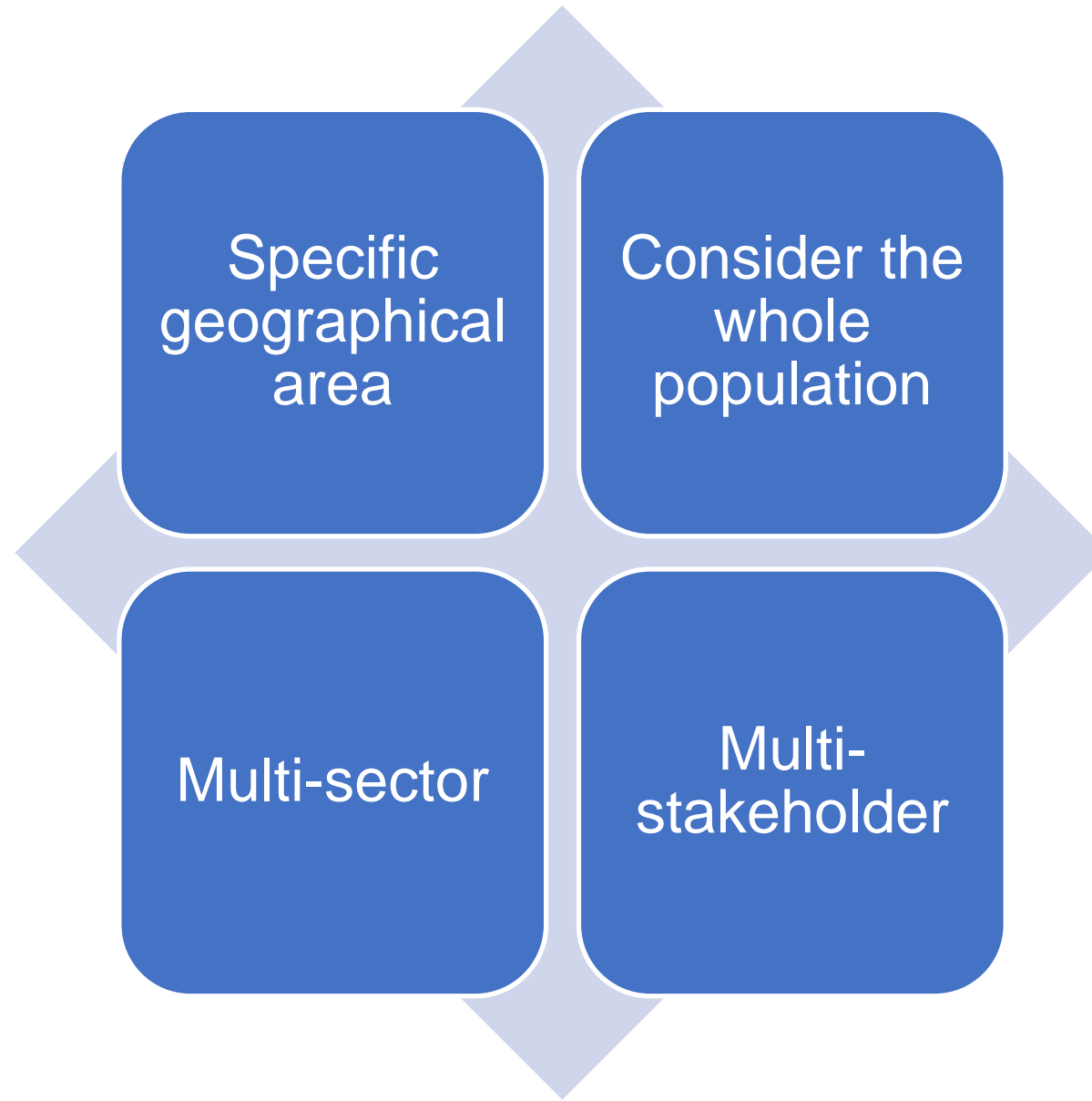
# Strategic coordination

- Working collaboratively with other key stakeholders
- Utilizes an **area-based approach**
- Emphasis placed on supporting national, regional and local authorities to assume their primary responsibility for finding durable solutions.
- Programming aligned with DS strategies with collective outcomes





# Area-based approaches





## **Group Activity: Durable solutions in the program cycle**

Each group will be assigned one stage of the programme cycle and will focus on the following questions:

1. What can we do during this stage to incorporate a focus on durable solutions?
2. Which other actors should we collaborate/partner with during this stage, and how should we collaborate with them?

# Some illustrative examples

Assessment	Design	Implementation	MEAL
<p>Identify displacement-specific protection and assistance needs</p> <p>Identify relevant laws and policies</p> <p>Engage all sections of the DACs</p> <p>Assess the capacity and willingness of authorities</p>	<p>Identify outcomes and results that focus on reducing displacement-specific needs</p> <p>Build flexibility into design of interventions</p> <p>Explore partnership and collaboration opportunities</p>	<p>Provide support to national, regional and local authorities</p> <p>Listen to the preferences and intentions of DACs</p> <p>Use information gathered during implementation to inform advocacy and policy influencing efforts</p>	<p>Adapt and incorporate indicators from the Syria Analytical Framework</p> <p>Disaggregate indicators by displacement status</p> <p>Collaborate with other operational actors to measure the same indicators</p>

## Durable Solutions Platform Resources

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- DSP Briefing Note: Durable Solutions Programming
  - DSP Question & Answer Sessions April 27th
  - DSP Toolkit – Upcoming
  - Other tailored country materials: policy briefs on Jordan and Lebanon, shared services research on KRI, Syria Solutions analysis
- Upcoming Trainings in Lebanon, Iraq and Jordan