



Danny Harvey

Profile

I am a humanitarian leader with over 25 years' experience spanning frontline programme delivery and senior organisational roles. During over two decades working in and alongside country programmes and with more than 10 years as a Country Director, I have championed national staff leadership, promoting gender equality and women's empowerment throughout programming and supporting locally led programming. meaningful participation, and gender equality, effectively translating CHS commitments into daily practice.

As Head of Technical Assistance at Concern, I lead a global team of 35 technical advisers to strengthen programme quality, learning and innovation in fragile and protracted crises, work which is directly aligned with the Alliance's mission to make aid more accountable, effective and safe.

Previously, as Concern's Global Equality Adviser, I managed equality audits and rolled out an organisation-wide strategy in support of diversity and inclusion and recognizing the centrality of the behaviours and attitudes of staff, organisational culture and the meaningful involvement of programme participants in delivering effective responses. As Executive Director of Concern UK, I supported initiatives around anti-racist communications and developing an all-staff understanding and action plan on EDI which included tackling Board diversity and bringing people with lived experience onto the Board.

With a view from both the management and implementation side I believe this gives me a strong appreciation of the wide applicability of the CHS principles and the whole of organisation approach that is needed to deliver against them.

I bring seven years of governance experience on two UK charity boards (including the Disasters Emergency Committee) and worked to the Concern UK Board. I have committee service across governance & nominations, finance, audit & risk, and strategy and a good understanding of the principles of good governance and the responsibilities of governing boards. With over 15 years of experience on Senior Management Teams at both country programme and global levels I have a practical and policy level understanding of prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse, safeguarding, human resource management, financial management, fundraising and risk management.

Why is the CHS Alliance important to the sector?

The Core Humanitarian Standard and the architecture set up by the Alliance to promote, support and verify adherence to the standard is vital tool to anchor humanitarian response in



values and principles. It is never more needed than at this moment of rapid upheaval and uncertainty where addressing the twin challenges of increasing need and restricted funding can undermine the quality of responses and the care taken around staffing and processes in the name of expediency

What motivates you to join the Alliance's Board?

Values of equity, fairness and respecting people have guided my work and directed my career choices and I believe they are embodied in the work and leadership of the Alliance in our sector. In particular, in my current role as Director of Technical Assistance at Concern Worldwide, my current work; to drive programme quality and learning delivering impact for people affected by crisis in fragile and conflict affected contexts, maps directly onto the CHS Alliance Mission to improve aid quality and accountability. I believe that my experience, with a strong focus on application of the commitments in practice, would add value to the Board and I would be excited to support an organisation where the values are quite literally embodied in the work that it does.