

# Язык убивает Джеймс Шепард Барон, ЮНИСЕФ

## Language Kills James Shepherd-Barron, UNICEF

"Few practitioners would disagree that building the confidence and capability in disempowered communities to hold others more powerful to account is the essential cornerstone of social change"

Keystone (2006)



"Many local NGOs did not participate in coordination meetings because they could not speak English well enough to participate in, or benefit from the discussions"

Feinstein Report Pakistan Earthquake (2008)

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"coordination is critical to efficient and effective disaster response"

IRC, Haiti 2010 "It's a classic dialogue of the deaf: the cluster approach remains a largely northern soup of apparently irreconcilable acronyms and vested interest ..."

UN-OCHA Section Chief (2009)

### But since 2000 ...











President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief

Global Alliance to Eliminate Leprosy (GAEL)

Accelerating Access Initiative



Partnerships for Health





PEPEAR















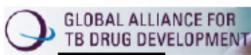
















Program















The European Malaria Vaccine

Initiative















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Head of OCHA, Haiti 2010

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"the numbers of people affected by disasters will rise from 250 million per year now to 375 million by 2015"



"Local NGOs could not take part effectively in coordination meetings because of the language barrier"

> IASC Inter-Agency Real Time Evaluation Cyclone Yemyin response (2007)

"Beneficiary views should be properly represented when prioritizing need"

**SPHERE Humanitarian Standards** 

"Evaluations consistently criticize disaster response for failing to establish adequate mechanisms for consulting, informing, and involving the people affected by disaster."

ALNAP Annual Review, 2006

"The Cluster system needs to include a dedicated capacity to ensure two-way communication with affected communities"

UN Global Symposium + 5; Information for Humanitarian Action (2007) "... start thinking long term from day one or else I'm left picking up the handover pieces from a train wreck that's already happened ... how on earth did they decide to run the cluster meetings *only* in English in Padang, and hence completely alienate the Gov and Local NGO's ... "

> Senior Cluster Coordinator West Java Earthquake Response (2010)

Better Communications – Better Work – Better World

Language services for disaster management

Your need

Their right

Our obligation

