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In January 2005, several UN agencies discussed with ALNAP how to coordinate the tsunami evaluation effort to maximise learning while minimising duplication.

The ensuing meeting in Geneva in Feb 2005 led to the foundation of the TEC.

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What are the TEC's objectives?

–To promote a sector-wide approach to learning from the tsunami response in order to promote improved performance.

–To develop, test and validate processes for the future timely establishment of such an evaluation coordination mechanism that could facilitate such an approach.

The learning is not only for ongoing operations but also the next big humanitarian response.

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Who is in it?

As with ALNAP itself the TEC includes:
- –Bilateral Donors
- –UN agencies
- –NGOs and the Red Cross

Agencies operate at all levels of the TEC by:
- –Managing Thematic Evaluations
- –Steering Thematic Evaluations
- –Supporting Thematic Evaluations
- –Conducting Agency Evaluations

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Who is in it?

Active members of the TEC include Donors, UN Agencies, the Red Cross and NGOs: ACT International, ActionAid, Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP), AusAid, BMZ, Care, CIDA, Cordaid, Danida, DaRa International, DCI, DfID, Disasters Emergency Committee, DMI, FAO, HelpAge International, ICMH, IFRC, IRC, JICA, Medair, MFA-FR, MFA-LU, MFA-NL, Norad, OCHA, Oxfam, RedR, SC-UK, SDC, Sida, Tearfund, UNDP, UNFPA, Unicef, URD, USAID, WFP, WHO, and World Vision.
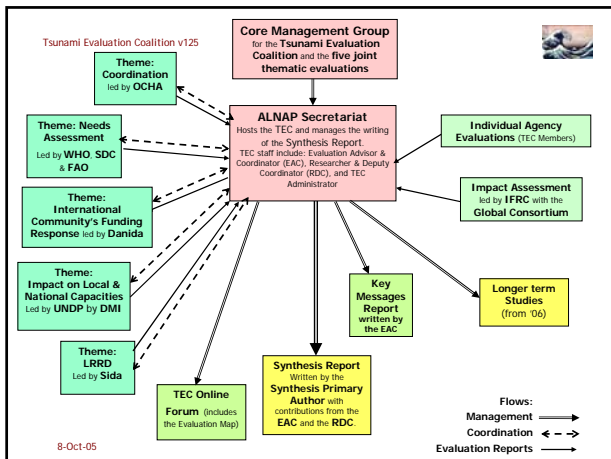
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What's in it for me?

The final product of the TEC will be a synthesis report summarising all the learning from the different Tsunami Evaluations.

–This briefing is one chance for you to input to this process

–The report will brief you on the main learning points from the response.

–This will enable you to target areas for improvement in your own agency's work.

The coordinated approach may help to reduce the evaluation burden in other responses.

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Core Management Group for the **Tsunami Evaluation Coalition** and the **five joint thematic evaluations**

Theme: Coordination led by **OCHA**

Theme: Needs Assessment Led by **WHO, SDC & FAO**

Theme: International Community's Funding Response led by **Danida**

Theme: Impact on Local & National Capacities Led by **UNDP** by **DMI**

Theme: LRRD Led by **Sida**

ALNAP Secretariat
Hosts the TEC and manages the writing of the Synthesis Report. TEC staff include: Evaluation Advisor & Coordinator (EAC), Researcher & Deputy Coordinator (RDC), and TEC Administrator

Individual Agency Evaluations (TEC Members)

Impact Assessment led by **IFRC** with the **Global Consortium**

Longer term Studies (from '06)

Key Messages Report written by the EAC

TEC Online Forum (includes the Evaluation Map)

Synthesis Report Written by the **Synthesis Primary Author** with contributions from the **EAC** and the **RDC**.

Flows:
Management ⟶
Coordination ← – →
Evaluation Reports ⟶

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How is it financed?

Each individual evaluation is financed by a series of Bilateral Donors, UN Agencies, and (in some cases) NGOs and the Red Cross.

The funding base is very broad.

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The TEC timeline

August	Recruitment of teams and preparation
September	Briefing workshop for the evaluation teams in Geneva. TEC Consultative Briefings in Indonesia.
October	TEC Consultative Briefings in Sri Lanka TEC meeting in Copenhagen on dissemination
November	Consultative Briefing in the Maldives. Initial Draft Reports
December	Publication of Key Messages Report (4 pages)
January '06	Two regional Consultative Workshops
March '06	Final Synthesis Report Published

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What you can do…

Find out more at:

http://www.alnap.org/TEC

Please help by:
- Talking to the evaluation teams
- Making suggestions to the evaluation teams on approaches to and the issues around their topic.
- Sending us copies of your evaluations, after action reviews, and key reports.

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