

## **FOCUS SESSION 17:**

### **Human Rights Based Approach for Inclusive Development**

Tuesday 15 April 16:30-18:00 Room 6

#### **Objective:**

To revive political support and commitments to HRBA within the development effectiveness agenda of the GPEDC; To share implementation strategies and tools for monitoring and accountability on HRBA, and their implications on development policies and programs making; To address specific recommendations on HRBA to GPEDC partners.

#### **Session Format:**

The side event will have a “multi-stakeholder” character, associating different development actors so to corroborate the quality of the discussions as well as the concreteness of forward looking recommendations. The event will be facilitated by a chair and will be based on a round table format.

#### **Speakers/Panellists:**

- Mrs Anne Sipiläinen, Undersecretary of State for development cooperation and development policy, Finland
- Mr Martin Bille Hermann, State Secretary of Development Policy, Denmark
- Mr Juan Garay Amores, Head of Cooperation Section, EU Delegation, Mexico
- Mrs Emele Duituturaga, CPDE co-chair
- Mr Jürgen Schwettmann, Head of Department of Partnerships and Field Support (PARDEV), ILO

#### **Background/Narrative:**

The Busan Declaration (2011) reiterates that promoting human rights, democracy and good governance are an integral part of development efforts (§3), as well as, it underlines the consistency with agreed international commitments on human rights, decent work, gender equality, environmental sustainability and disability (§11). However, the Busan declaration makes direct reference to rights-based approaches (RBA) only when referring to the role of CSOs, relegating RBA to the

CSO-specific engagements, and not to the overall development effectiveness agenda. Currently, the Busan Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation Declaration – GPEDC - does not fully reflect the importance of HRBA as a crucial factor, relevant to all development actors, for achieving sustainable, equitable and just development outcomes. At the same time a considerable number of donor governments and multilateral organizations have developed policies and operational instruments to integrate human rights into their development policies/programs. Finally, HRBA provides linkages with the post 2015 process, being one of the focus theme addressed by the Open working Group on SDGs: human rights and global governance for the future framework.

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