

Welcome to the quarterly news update for the Global Partnership monitoring community

This update of news and events related to monitoring aims to maintain connections within our monitoring community.

Online consultation - Share your views on the process and structure of the second monitoring round of the Global Partnership. Access the consultation [here](#) (closing date: 30 April 2015).

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

Progress in strengthening the Global Partnership Monitoring Framework and preparing the second monitoring round

Last January in The Hague, the Global Partnership's Steering Committee endorsed the approach proposed by the Joint Support Team (JST) to [strengthen the monitoring framework](#). Since then, progress has been made on several fronts:

- **Refining the four pilot indicators:** the JST has made progress in refining the methodology and process of the four pilot indicators, through active consultation with relevant stakeholders at global and country level. As agreed in the January Steering Committee meeting, the JST aims at finalising these indicators this summer, ahead of the second monitoring round.
- **Preparing the second monitoring round:** the JST has proposed a process and structure for the second monitoring round, which is open for comments through an [online consultation](#) (running until 30 April 2015). The [Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop](#) in Manila on 26-27 March was also a good opportunity for the JST to sensitise stakeholders on the proposed process, and to collect feedback and recommendations from governments and non-state actors in the region. In addition, the JST has initiated discussions to strengthen synergies between the second monitoring round and other upcoming monitoring exercises, in particular the 4th UN Development Cooperation Forum survey on mutual accountability, and the International Health Partnership monitoring.
- **Positioning the Global Partnership in the post-2015 and FfD implementation and accountability efforts:** the Co-Chairs and Steering Committee members have actively been positioning the Global Partnership in the post-2015 and FfD negotiations. See examples of the Global Partnership's value added to monitor quality and effectiveness of development partnerships [here](#).
- **Establishing the Global Partnership's Advisory Group on monitoring:** the Co-Chairs and Steering Committee have agreed on the composition of the Group, which will ensure the necessary technical expertise to consolidate a robust monitoring framework in view of supporting post-2015 implementation and accountability efforts. The Group should initiate its work in April-May.

The **next meeting of the Global Partnership's Steering Committee** (3-4 September, Mexico) will be a key milestone for the monitoring process. The finalised proposals for the four pilot indicators and the structure and timeline for the second monitoring round will be presented for endorsement by Steering Committee Members. The Advisory Group will also present proposals on areas of work to ensure that the GPEDC monitoring framework remains relevant to the post-2015 accountability efforts.

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Launch of the International Health Partnership's 2014 monitoring report	Complementarities between the GPEDC and the DCF Mutual Accountability survey
<p>The International Health Partnership (IHP+), which assesses progress of IHP+ partners in meeting commitments to the principles of effective development cooperation in the health sector, conducted its fourth round of monitoring in 2014. The report and country and agency scorecards are now available online. Data was collected at country level and validated by ministries of health, with participation by 24 IHP+ countries. Compared to previous rounds, the findings suggest an overall improvement in mutual accountability processes at country level. However, there appears to be stagnation or decline in alignment with national budget processes and financial management systems. Access the following links for more information on the IHP+ and on key findings from the study.</p>	<p>A joint meeting between the Advisory Group of the UN Development Cooperation Forum (UNDCF) and the Global Partnership's Steering Committee was held in the margins of the UNDCF High-Level Symposium in Incheon, Korea, on 10 April. Discussions highlighted the importance of reinforcing synergies and better sequencing between the UNDCF's 4th Mutual Accountability survey (due to be launched in May) and the Global Partnership's second monitoring round (planned to kick-off later this year). Enhanced complementarity between both processes would contribute to amplify evidence-based efforts for more effective development co-operation, while reducing the reporting burden for countries.</p> <p>The Global Partnership's monitoring exercise could draw on valuable lessons from the UNDCF survey, in particular regarding key enablers for strengthening national systems and practices to ensure effective monitoring, review and accountability of development co-operation. Countries interested in participating in both exercises could use consultations on the national Mutual Accountability survey to consider ways to ensure that the Global Partnership's monitoring efforts at country level are complementary and support national mutual accountability frameworks, systems and processes.</p>
Effective Institutions Platform's work on the quality of public financial management systems	
<p>Following consultations and discussions at the Effective Institutions Platform (EIP) annual meeting in October 2014, EIP members finalised a draft Policy Brief on the 'Revised Indicator 9a (i.e. quality of PFM systems) for the Global Partnership Monitoring Framework'. The consultation suggests consensus around a new indicator with two components: (1) a fixed global component: a set of 7 measures to apply to all countries and (2) a flexible country component: a set of 7 more flexible measures to be adapted to country context and priorities. The JST and EIP are exploring options to integrate elements of this work into the second monitoring round. Overall, EIP aims to finalise this new measurement approach in time for the next HLM of the GPEDC in 2016, where the refined monitoring framework will be agreed. Comments on the draft Policy Brief can be sent to effectiveinstitutions@oecd.org.</p>	
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Online consultation: Share your views by 30 April 2015 to help prepare the Global Partnership's second monitoring round	
<p>The Global Partnership Joint Support Team launched an online consultation on 31 March to collect feedback on the proposed structure and process of the second monitoring round. The consultation is open to all interested stakeholders, including developing country governments, development co-operation providers, and non-state actors. Feedback collected through the consultation will be vital to help the Joint Support Team prepare a strong monitoring process that builds on and supports national monitoring efforts and engages a broad range of stakeholders at country level. The consultation is running until 30 April 2015 on the Global Partnership Teamworks community site, in French, Spanish and English.</p> <p>Participate in the consultation Request a log in for the Global Partnership Teamworks site.</p>	

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<p>You can find the full list of Global Partnership news and events in the Global Partnership's monthly newsletter. Contact info@effectivecooperation.org to register.</p>	<p>An informal community group for monitoring focal points has been set up via a Google+ group. Connect with your Google+ profile to post your questions, articles, photos and experiences of monitoring, or discuss challenges and progress in your work. The group is open to all those who participated in – or are interested to know more about – the monitoring process. Posts can be translated into French, English or Spanish on request. Contact monitoring@effectivecooperation.org to be added to the monitoring contacts list register, with your name, job title, affiliation and email.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">We want to keep in touch with you!</p> <p>Send us your updates and stories, let us know how you are making progress towards achieving the Paris and Busan Commitments. Entries in English, French and Spanish are welcome.</p> <p>Contact: monitoring@effectivecooperation.org</p>	