

GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVES' ACCELERATION WORKSHOP

21-22 June, Barcelona

Annotated Agenda

Background:

Global Partnership Initiatives (GPIs) are voluntary initiatives led by different types of development actors (e.g. national governments, international organisations, civil society organisations, trade unions, parliamentarians, local and regional governments, foundations, private sector) that are committed to advance specific commitments for effective development co-operation, as well as make progress in new and innovative areas of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation (GPEDC). They regroup Busan Building Blocks (launched at the [4th High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness](#), Busan, 2011) and Mexico Voluntary Initiatives (launched at the [1st GPEDC High-Level Meeting](#), Mexico City, 2014). Through their efforts, they translate agreements reached at the global level into action and impact on the ground.

The latest GPEDC reports “Update on Global Partnership Initiatives” ([July 2015](#) and [January 2016](#)) showed the important progress GPIs are making, stimulating innovative actions and promoting results in areas such as: strengthening developing country ownership; building inclusive partnerships; focusing on results and promoting mutual accountability; conducting transparent and responsible development co-operation; advancing gender equality; promoting development in situations of conflict and fragility; and mobilising and ensuring coherence with flows beyond official development assistance.

The GPEDC aims to support GPIs’ activities by serving as a platform for sharing their results, promoting mutual learning, increasing co-operation, and effectively upscaling GPIs work. Among other activities, the GPEDC organised the “Planning Workshop: Strengthening Co-operation to Deliver Results” in January 2015 in Brussels, co-hosted by the European Commission, the NEPAD Agency Africa Platform for Development Effectiveness, and the Asia-Pacific Regional Development Effectiveness Facility. This workshop helped to strengthen communication and linkages between different GPIs and the broader GPEDC community.

Today, many GPIs already collaborate with each other and provide evidence, insights and contributions to several GPEDC activities (e.g. GPEDC meetings and GPEDC monitoring exercise). However, there is still much potential for further collaboration among GPIs, greater linkages between GPIs and broader GPEDC work, increased synergies between GPIs and country-level implementation efforts and build on GPIs experience to inform global-level policy debate.

Objectives:

Building on the Brussels workshop (January 2015) and the “Update on Global Partnership Initiatives” reports, the “Global Partnership Initiatives’ Acceleration Workshop” will aim to help GPIs to step up their efforts in implementing effective development co-operation ahead of the 2nd GPEDC High Level Meeting (HLM2) in Nairobi (28 November-1 December 2016). The Workshop will provide an opportunity for GPIs representatives to exchange experiences, identify opportunities for collaboration and discuss policy messages that can inform discussions and decisions at HLM2.

Specific objectives include:

- Improve cross-fertilisation and synergies between GPIs and identify options for enhanced collaboration;
- Identify “policy messages” and “stories of progress” in different areas of effective development co-operation, which highlight GPI achievements and can inform discussions at the HLM2;
- Map opportunities for GPIs to be showcased and involved in the preparations for the HLM2;
- Discuss how to strengthen linkages between GPIs and broader GPEDC work, including consulting GPIs on how their work could more effectively inform the GPEDC Steering Committee and broader community, serving to strengthen the GPEDC’s nature as a knowledge hub for effective development co-operation.

This discussion will also serve to inform the activities of the Working Groups on Knowledge Hub on Effective Development Co-operation and on Country-Level Implementation of Development Effectiveness Principles.

The Workshop will be attended by GPI leads, GPEDC Steering Committee members, leads of the core teams preparing the HLM2 plenary sessions, and representatives from the GPEDC Working Groups on Knowledge Hub on Effective Development Co-operation and on Country-Level Implementation of Development Effectiveness Principles.

ANNOTATED AGENDA (AS OF 17 JUNE 2016)

TUESDAY 21 JUNE 2016

8:30-9:00 **Registration**

9:15-9:45 **1. Welcome and introduction**

- Welcome remarks by Mr Josep Roig (UCLG Secretary General)
- Introductory remarks by Mr Arjan Schuthof (Strategic Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Netherlands), on behalf of GPEDC Co-chairs

9:45-10:45 **2. Setting the scene (part 1): overview of GPEDC key activities**

Objective: This session will provide an overview of GPEDC activities, including on 2nd monitoring round, GPEDC mandate and preparations for HLM2, and how these priorities relate to GPIs.

Dynamic: Speakers' interventions will be followed by Q&A with all participants.

Moderator: Mr Arjan Schuthof (Strategic Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Netherlands)

Speakers:

- Mr Noel González Segura (Deputy Director General for Policy Planning, Mexican Agency for International Development Co-operation), on GPEDC strategic priorities and contribution to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda
- Mr Walter Ogwindo (Senior Assistant Director, National Treasury, Kenya) on HLM2 preparations
- Ms Simona Marinescu (Director/Chief Development Impact Group, Bureau for Policy and Programme Support, UNDP) on progress on country-level implementation, including the 2nd monitoring round

Background document: HLM2 flyer

10:45-11:00 **Break**

11:00-12:15 **3. Setting the scene (part 2): overview of GPIs and their areas of work**

Objective: This session will provide an overview of existing GPIs and their areas of work.

Moderator: Mr Arjan Schuthof (Strategic Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Netherlands)

Speaker: Ms Talita Yamashiro Fordelone (Joint Support Team) on overview of GPIs work

Dynamic: A short presentation by the Joint Support Team will be followed by two rounds of break-out group discussions where GPIs will present and discuss their activities. Each round will have 3-4 break-out groups and will last 30 minutes. At each break-out group, each GPI will have 5 minutes each to present their activities by responding to two questions:

- What were the key achievements and lessons learnt by your GPI since its inception?
- What key challenges has your GPI faced to achieve its objectives?

After the short presentations, break-out groups will have 10-15 minutes for Q&A/discussions.

Break-out group speakers:

ROUND 1

Group 1 presentations

Effective Institutions Platform

Dr Margaret Kobia and Mr Neil Levine

The role of local and regional governments in effective development

Ms Jessie Post

Group 2 presentations

Africa Action Plan on Development Effectiveness

Ms Florence Nazare

Additional Efforts on IATI

Ms Carolyn Culey

Group 3 presentations

Effective Philanthropic Engagement

Ms Emilie Romon

Business Hubs

Mr Andrew Kambobe and Dr
Fernando Casado

Promoting Effective Partnering
Initiative

Mr Kees Zevenbergen

Group 4 presentations

Collaboration to strengthen Civil Society-led
SSC through evidence and experience sharing

Ms Melissa Pomeroy

Future International
Cooperation Policy Network

Dr Jing Gu

Network of Southern Think Tanks

Mr Andre De Mello e Souza

ROUND 2

Group 5 presentations

EU Joint Programming

Mr Paulus Gosselink

Results and Mutual Accountability

Ms Suzanne Mueller

Managing diversity and reducing fragmentation

Ms Nicole Hofmann

Group 6 presentations

Civil Society Continuing Campaign on
Effective Development

Mr Roberto Pinauin

CSO Development Effectiveness and
Enabling Environment

Mr David Wubs-Mrozewicz

Farmers Fighting Poverty

Ms Estelle Gallot

Group 7 presentations

Tax and Development (Active Support to Tax Inspectors Without Borders /
Commitment to increase aid to tax matters, and to refine ways to measure
aid going to tax system development / Commitment to perform risk analyses
against exposure to illicit financial flows / Endorsement of the 'Principles for
International Engagement in Supporting Developing Countries in Revenue
Matters' / Strengthening comparable tax statistical indicators)

Mr Joseph Stead

Tax Administration Diagnostic
Assessment Tool

Mr Gunnar Magnusson

Background documents:

- List of Global Partnership Initiatives
- Compilation of GPIs replies to the May 2016 call for reporting
- Update on Global Partnership Initiatives (December 2015)
- Table on Existing and Potential Synergies among GPIs (December 2015)

12:15-13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:00 4. Promoting collaboration and identifying gaps in GPIs areas of work

Objective: This session will: 1) identify ways to strengthen the impact of GPI's work through enhanced collaboration and 2) map key gaps in the current work of GPIs regarding emerging issues in effective development co-operation in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable development.

Moderator: Ms Erica Gerretsen (Head of Unit, Directorate General for International Co-operation and Development, European Commission)

Dynamic: This session will feature a discussion in "world café" format informed by the "setting-the-scene" sessions. The world café will be organised in two rounds of 20 minute discussions. For each round, participants will be divided in groups of up to 10 people to discuss one specific question.

- Groups 1 and 2 will discuss: which existing GPIs could work more with each other? In what areas/issues could they collaborate?
- Groups 3 and 4 will discuss: how can some of the challenges mentioned during GPIs presentations (session 3) be addressed?
- Groups 5 and 6 will discuss: which key emerging issues in effective development co-operation in the 2030 Agenda are not yet covered by GPIs but should be addressed over the next two to four years?

During each round, groups will write their ideas on a flipchart. After 20 minutes, participants will change groups to discuss with different people, building on the ideas discussed by the previous group. After the two rounds, conclusions will be presented by one participant from each group and discussed in plenary.

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15:00-15:20 Break

15:20-16:40 5. Strengthening the GPEDC's knowledge hub for effective development co-operation: what role for GPIs?

Objective: This session will consider how GPIs can contribute to strengthening the GPEDC's role as a knowledge hub for effective development co-operation.

Moderator: Ms Renske Steenbergen (Senior project manager, VNG International)

Speaker: Mr Moses Ayuk Bate (Chief of Service and Rapporteur of the National Development Effectiveness Task Force, Ministry of Economy, Planning and Regional Development, Cameroon), on the emerging recommendations of the Working Group on Knowledge Hub for strengthening the GPEDC as a knowledge hub for effective development co-operation

Dynamic: After a presentation by the Working Group on Knowledge Hub for effective development co-operation, participants will be divided in 4 break-out groups to discuss the emerging recommendations and provide suggestions for taking the work forward, focusing on the specific contributions GPI's can make to the GPEDC knowledge hub (30'). Each group will discuss the following questions:

- Knowledge is seen as an essential asset in making development co-operation more effective. Knowledge generation and sharing should be as demand driven as possible to be meaningful. From your GPI's point of view, what is your demand for (new) knowledge? What knowledge do you need to make your GPI more effective?
- To what extent is the knowledge generated by GPIs valued (by the GPEDC or other fora) and used in practice? Generate practical recommendations on how to improve knowledge exchange between GPIs and from GPIs to the wider GPEDC community.
- Based on the distributed paper by the Working group on Knowledge Hub, how can we effectively enhance the functioning of the GPEDC as a knowledge hub? Provide suggestions.

Conclusions from break-out groups will be presented by one participant from each group and discussed in plenary.

Background document: Note by the Working Group on knowledge hub for effective development co-operation (*work in progress*)

16:40-18:00 6. Going local: how can GPIs help GPEDC advance country-level implementation?

Objective: This session will explore ways for GPIs to further support implementation of effective development co-operation at the country level.

Moderator: Ms Emilia Saiz (UCLG Deputy Secretary General)

Speakers:

- Ms Katarina Tafvelin (Policy Officer, Directorate General for International Co-operation and Development, European Commission), on the recommendations of the Working Group on Country-Level Implementation for strengthening GPEDC country-level work
- Ms. Kubeshni Govender-Jones (Centre for Leadership and Governance of the South African Local Government Association) on the engagement of local and regional governments in ensuring concrete on the ground results

Dynamic: After two short presentations by the Working Group on Country-Level Implementation and by UCLG, participants will be divided in 4 break-out groups to discuss the emerging recommendations and provide suggestions for taking the work forward, focusing on the specific contributions GPI's can make to advance the impact of GPEDC at the country level (30'). Each group will discuss the following questions:

- Is your GPI involved in multi-stakeholder platforms at the country-level that discuss effectiveness of development co-operation? Are they functioning properly? What are the lessons learned from these country dialogues? What are main challenges and opportunities?
- What are the key conditions needed to ensure that different stakeholders can engage properly and constructively in such country dialogues?
- How can your GPI help to ensure a lively relationship and knowledge exchange between country, regional and global level? Do you have concrete suggestions to keep the region/the global level informed of ongoing progress/best practices at the country-level?

Conclusions from break-out groups will be presented by one participant from each group and discussed in plenary.

Background document: Note by the Working Group on Country-Level Implementation (*work in progress*)

19:00-21:00 Dinner at restaurant 1881 per Sagardi (Museu d'Història de Catalunya - Plaça de Pau Vila, 3)

WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE 2016

9:00-10:45 7. Preparing for HLM2 (part 1): identifying messages and stories of progress featuring GPIs

Objective: This session will identify policy messages and success stories coming from GPIs in different areas of effective development co-operation, which could be taken into consideration to inform discussions and decisions at HLM2.

Moderator: Mr John Egan (Joint Support Team)

Dynamic: Representatives from plenary core groups will make a brief pitch on the objectives of their plenary session. Participants will then divide themselves in 7 break-out groups according to plenary session topics:

- Group 1: progress with implementing development effectiveness principles and commitments (facilitator: Mr Matt Simonds, Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD, TUAC)
- Group 2: achieving and financing the SDGs (facilitator: Ms Erica Gerretsen, EC)
- Group 3: learning from South-South and triangular co-operation (facilitator: Mr Andre De Mello e Souza, Ipea-Brazil, and Mr Noel González, Mexico)
- Group 4: economic empowerment of women and youth (facilitator: Mr Julius Musau Mukala, Kenya)

- Group 5: leaving no-one behind (facilitator: Ms Nicole Hofmann, Germany)
- Group 6: innovative and inclusive multi-stakeholder partnerships (facilitator: Mr Arjan Schuthof, the Netherlands)
- Group 7: the private sector's contribution to sustainable development (facilitator: Mr John Egan, JST)

At each break-out group, GPIs will be encouraged to share success stories, policy messages and proposed actions that could be agreed at HLM2. After 30 minutes of discussion, participants will reconvene in plenary, report back and discuss break-out groups' conclusions.

Background documents:

- Compilation of GPI's replies to the May 2016 call for reporting
- Update on Global Partnership Initiatives (December 2015)
- HLM2 flyer

10:45-11:00 Break

11:00-11:50 8. Preparing for HLM2 (part 2): getting involved

Objective: This session will map opportunities for GPIs to be showcased and involved in the preparations for the HLM2.

Moderator: Mr John Egan (Joint Support Team)

Dynamic: The moderator will make a short presentation on opportunities for participation at HLM2. He will then facilitate an interactive exercise where:

- Participants will be given sticky notes to propose ideas for side-events, preparatory fora and amphitheatre sessions. They will then stick their notes to flipcharts.
- Moderator will read all ideas and participants will discuss options for collaboration in organising events in HLM2

Background document: HLM2 flyer

12:00-13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:00 9. GPIs and GPEDC going forward

Objective: Based on discussions during previous sessions, this session will generate a common understanding of how GPIs could inform a renewed GPEDC mandate.

Moderator: Ms Erica Gerretsen (Head of Unit, Directorate General for International Co-operation and Development, EC)

Speaker: Ms Nadine Gbossa (Head of Global Partnerships and Policies, Development Co-operation Directorate, OECD) will introduce the process of renewing the GPEDC mandate and key issues in consideration

Dynamic: After a presentation, participants will be divided in 4 break-out groups to discuss how to firmly position GPIs in the core functions of the Global Partnership (30'). Each group will discuss the following questions:

- What concrete modalities can be put in place for the GPIs to feed lessons learned and knowledge into the Global Partnership in a systematic way?
- How can the findings of GPIs better inform regional and global policy dialogue on development co-operation?

Conclusions from break-out groups will be presented by one participant from each group and discussed in plenary.

15:00-15:10 Break

15:10-15:30 10. Closing session

Mr Arjan Schuthof, on behalf of GPEDC Co-chairs, will summarise key proposals/recommendations made during the two days, which will be submitted to the Steering Committee at its 10th meeting in New York (14-15 July 2016). Ms Emilia Saiz will provide closing remarks on behalf of UCLG.