

Update on progress of the GPEDC's monitoring activities since the January 2015 Steering Committee meeting

Preparing for the second monitoring round

- **An online consultation** ran from 31 March to 30 April to collect feedback on the proposed structure and process for the second monitoring round. The consultation collected insightful feedback from over twenty stakeholders that will help preparing a stronger forthcoming round.
- **Sensitisation through the Asia Pacific regional meeting held in Manila** (26-27 March). The meeting provided an opportunity for the Joint Support Team (JST) to sensitise participants on the second monitoring round and, more broadly, for participants to discuss the linkages between the GPEDC monitoring framework, regional monitoring efforts and the broader accountability frameworks for FfD and post-2015.
- **Strengthening synergies between the GPEDC and complementary monitoring processes, such as:**
 - The **4th UN Development Co-operation Forum (DCF) survey on mutual accountability**. The JST and the DCF secretariats have had initial exchanges to facilitate synergies, and the UN-DCF symposium in Incheon (8 April) provided a good opportunity to discuss further synergies between the two processes.
 - The **International Health Partnership (IHP+) monitoring exercise**. The JST participated in a meeting on the "Follow up and future of the International Health Partnership (IHP+) Monitoring" in Geneva (20 March), and it has undertaken further technical discussions with the IHP+ Core Team to ensure continued synergies between future monitoring efforts.
 - The **New Deal monitoring**. The JST has approached the New Deal secretariat to explore options to increase the coordination between the two monitoring processes.

Refining the pilot indicators

- **Indicator 1 (Use of country results frameworks):** The JST is refining the methodology and engaging in consultation with Results Based Management experts from recipients and providers (convening in Paris a few developing country experts on 27-28 February, consultation with results specialists from the OECD to bring perspectives from DAC providers, participation in the meeting of the Global Partnership Initiative on Results and Mutual Accountability, Nairobi on 20-21 April, and other relevant regional meetings). The JST is aiming to further consult with providers and to coordinate a light testing of the methodology at country level (May-June).
- **Indicator 2 (Enabling environment for civil society):** The JST is refining the methodology in close consultation with country governments, CSOs and providers' representatives from the Task Team on CSO Development Effectiveness and Enabling Environment (meetings in Washington D.C. on 9 February, and in Paris on 1 May). The JST aims to finalise the methodology on the basis of feedback collected through a light testing at country level (March-May), and through broader consultation with the Task Team.
- **Indicator 3 (Private sector engagement and contribution to development):** The JST has finalised the methodology in close collaboration with the World Bank on the basis of findings from 3 country pilots. The JST also consulted with stakeholders (8th Public-Private Dialogue Workshop in Copenhagen on 10-13 March, meeting with the Business and Industry Advisory Committee of the OECD in Paris on 31 March) and is currently seeking country-level feedback on options to operationalise the tool for the second monitoring round.

- **Indicator 4 (Transparency):** The JST consulted with OECD/DAC Secretariat and IATI Secretariat, and is currently reviewing and consolidating measurement approaches into a composite indicator that disaggregates performance in different reporting systems. Further consultations with stakeholders on a proposed refined approach for a composite indicator will happen in June.
- **Regional consultations:** Regional platforms are invited to consult their constituencies to collect feedback and recommendations on the proposed methodology and process for pilot indicators 1, 2 and 3 (May-June). The consultation focuses on these 3 pilot indicators because they require a country-level data collection and validation process (while indicator 4 relies on existing global reporting systems for the OECD-DAC and IATI). Comments and recommendations gathered through the consultation will feed into the JST work to further refine and finalise these indicators ahead of the second monitoring round, and in view of the broader review of the monitoring framework for the post 2015 context (this review will be carried out in 2016, with the support of the Advisory Group on monitoring).

Positioning the GPEDC in post-2015 and FfD implementation and accountability efforts

- **Contribution of the GPEDC to post-2015 and FfD implementation and accountability efforts:** the GPEDC monitoring framework provides a ready-made niche product through its methodology and inclusive country-led process for monitoring the quality and effectiveness of development partnerships. The GPEDC facilitates mutual accountability: the indicators and accountability framework reach beyond governments from the north and south to CSO enabling environment and to private sector engagement. Its country-led accountability approach, grounding monitoring efforts on developing country leadership and ownership of development priorities provides a useful model for the post-2015 review and accountability efforts.
- **Inclusion of both the effectiveness principles and the GPEDC in the zero draft of the Addis Ababa Accord** under the section on International Public Finance (paragraph 72).
- **Dissemination of key messages** on the link between the GPEDC and the Post-2015/FfD processes by the Global Partnership Co-Chairs and the JST through: the Co-Chairs' missions in New York and Co-Chairs' inputs to the ECOSOC e-discussion on "Managing the transition from the Millennium Development Goals to the sustainable development goals: What it will take" (inputs were particularly shared regarding the section on monitoring and review of the SDGs).
- **Regional workshops and upcoming side events provide an opportunity to amplify these messages.** These include discussions at the Asia-Pacific Workshop in Manila (26-27 March) and Global Partnership E-discussion on "Leveraging effective development co-operation to mobilise existing resources for development & enhance private finance for sustainable development" (6-27 March) as well as upcoming side events at the WB/IMF Spring Meetings (19 April) and at Post-2015 negotiations (20 April).

Establishing the Advisory Group on monitoring

- **Call for nominations** by Steering Committee (SC) members for the Advisory Group (21 January).
- **Co-Chairs' submission of a proposal and endorsement by SC members** (March-April). 12 members were proposed ensuring a balanced composition of the necessary technical expertise to consolidate a robust monitoring framework in view of supporting post-2015 accountability efforts.
- **Invitations** sent to nominated members (April 2015).
- **First meeting of the Advisory Group** taking place on 20-21 May.