

Working Group

Enhanced Support to Effective Development Co-operation at the Country Level

Pilot Approach

A number of country pilots will be undertaken under Strategic Output 1 of the 2017-2018 Work Programme of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation (GPEDC). The objective of these pilots is to support increased effectiveness at country level and to demonstrate the positive impact of effective development co-operation and the achievement of national, regional and global development goals. The focus and design of the country pilots will vary from country to country, depending on country context. The aim is to understand the types of activities taking place, to document best practices and collect and analyse evidence, developing stories around the following priorities:

- **Establishment or strengthening of development co-operation policies and/or strategies** that go beyond traditional aid management (i.e. covering the donor-recipient relationship) and cover the increasingly diverse development co-operation landscape. This may also include reviews of policies and/or strategies related to resource mobilisation or assessments of institutional structures and processes for strategic planning and coordination.
- **Establishment or strengthening of multi-stakeholder engagement platforms** that include the full range of development stakeholders (e.g. civil society, business sector, foundations etc.).
- **Establishment or strengthening of mutual accountability or transparency systems.** This may include work related to the systematic assessment of and dialogue on the unfinished business of the effectiveness agenda or the strengthening of Management Information Systems.
- **Efforts undertaken to strengthen the management of diverse development co-operation,** including efforts to understand the country's overall financing landscape, including recent trends or reforms planned or undertaken to link development planning and financing systems.

Country pilots will be contingent on a government's interest and willingness to take part in this work. It is envisaged that participation in the piloting approach will require national governments to reflect on work already underway and to identify specific entry points for GPEDC support. Initial research may draw on ongoing initiatives in this area, including the case studies that will be undertaken by the Global Partnership Working Group on Private Sector Engagement and the work of Global Partnership Initiatives (GPIs).

Once the broad area of work has been identified, specific activities to be undertaken within the GPEDC context will be defined and specific pilot workplans will be developed, with activities to be completed no later than November 2018. The evidence generated through this piloting exercise, along with evidence from other sources, will inform the creation of a global compendium of good practices related to country level implementation of the effectiveness principles.

This work will be supported by the Global Partnership Joint Support Team. Additionally, there may be an opportunity for funding to support technical assistance or the hosting of country-level multi-stakeholder workshops.