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Introduction

Global Partnership Initiatives (GPIs) are voluntary initiatives led by different types of development actors (e.g. national governments, international organisations, CSOs, the private sector, etc.) under the [Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation \(GPEDC\) umbrella](#). As the ‘think tanks’ of the Global Partnership, GPIs bring together vibrant, substantive communities on issues either closely linked to the GPEDC or contributing in specific areas to development effectiveness. The 29 current GPIs are diverse, working on areas from results and accountability to climate finance. In many cases, GPIs also act as engines for implementation, helping to directly operationalise the development effectiveness principles and commitments agreed through the [Busan Partnership Agreement \(2011\)](#), the [Mexico High Level Meeting Communiqué \(2014\)](#) and the [Nairobi Outcome Document \(2016\)](#).

GPIs directly contribute to two of the Global Partnership’s core functions: they offer catalytic support to implementation of the Busan commitments at the country level, and they are a mechanism for exchanging knowledge and lessons learned on implementation of the development effectiveness principles and other commitments made in Busan, Mexico and Nairobi. As such, GPIs contribute to the Global Partnership’s [vision](#) by directly implementing commitments and by generating evidence, policy-relevant lessons and innovative solutions that can feed mutual accountability and learning into the Global Partnership’s core DNA.

Background

The GPEDC is a unique multi-stakeholder platform that can support GPIs in effectively upscaling their work and sharing results, promoting mutual learning and increasing mutual co-operation. Through the Global Partnership, GPIs can elevate substantive items to the attention of the wider development community, influence political dialogue and drive change by proposing innovative solutions to common issues. Today, many GPIs already collaborate with each other and provide evidence, insights and contributions to several GPEDC activities (e.g. regional and Steering Committee meetings and the monitoring exercise). However, there is still untapped potential for further collaboration among GPIs, greater linkages between GPIs and the broader work of the Global Partnership and increased synergies between GPIs and country-level implementation and knowledge-sharing efforts.

Both prior to and post the [Second High-Level Meeting of the Global Partnership \(HLM2\)](#), GPEDC stakeholders called for better integration of GPIs into the institutional mechanisms of the Global Partnership in order to support implementation of the Busan principles at the country level and greater knowledge-sharing around development effectiveness. Among other activities, the GPEDC organised the “Planning Workshop: Strengthening Co-operation to Deliver Results” in January 2015 in Brussels, and the [“GPI Acceleration Workshop”](#) in June 2016 in Barcelona. In addition, at its [13th](#) and [14th](#) meetings (2017, Washington and Dhaka respectively), the Steering Committee underscored the need to increase the Global Partnership’s systematic engagement with GPIs.

To support this process, a [short paper](#) has been prepared by the Working Group on Knowledge-Sharing for Increased Development Effectiveness. It attempts to provide a foundation for the Steering Committee and Co-Chairs’ further consideration on how to capitalise on GPIs’ comparative advantages in sharing knowledge and supporting implementation of development effectiveness principles and commitments made in Busan, Mexico and Nairobi at the country level; to identify linkages between the GPIs and the ongoing work to operationalise [the 2017-2018 programme of work](#); and to create more space for GPIs in the institutional architecture of the Global Partnership. Additionally, building on this work, a proposal from the Joint Support Team has been produced with recommendations for Steering Committee consideration at its 15th meeting (21-22 April, 2018). This document will be consulted with GPIs during the Bonn workshop on Strengthening GPI Engagement.

Objectives and Attendance

The Workshop will be attended by GPI leads, members of the Steering Committee and representatives from the Co-Chairs and strategic Working Groups. It will provide an opportunity for GPI representatives to:

1. Explore ways in which the Global Partnership can make better use of knowledge generated by GPIs, including how GPIs can contribute to the work of the Global Partnership through its [2017-2018 programme of work](#) and strategic Working Groups.
2. Improve cross-fertilisation between GPIs and identify options for collaboration.
3. Identify stories of progress across different areas of effective development co-operation, which highlight GPI achievements and inform the broader work of the Global Partnership.
4. Discuss practical means of strengthening the linkages between GPIs and the GPEDC, and between GPIs themselves.

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Monday, 19 March

12:30 – 13:00 **Arrival and registration**

13:00 – 13:30 **Welcome and opening remarks**

- Welcome remarks and theme setting
Mr. Dominik Ziller (Directorate-General International Development Policy, BMZ)
 - Opening remarks from **Mr. Mohammed Khan**, Government of Bangladesh
 - Opening remarks from **H. E. Mrs. Florence Eugenia Vilanova de von Oehsen**, Ambassador from El Salvador to Germany
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13:30 – 14:30 **Session 1:
Setting the scene**

Chair: (TBC)

- (i) Session one will begin with a **panel discussion (30 minutes)**, which will set the scene for the workshop by discussing:
- The evolution of the international development co-operation landscape given the ambitions of the 2030 Agenda.
 - Outcomes from the Second High-Level Meeting of the Global Partnership (HLM2).
 - Lessons learned from the GPI workshops in Brussels (2014) and (Barcelona) 2016.

Workshop Moderator: Mr. Jos Brand (Advisor, GPI on Results and Mutual Accountability)

Panelists:

- **Ms. Monica Asuna**, Deputy Chief Economist, Kenyan National Treasury
- **Mr. Matt Simonds**, Liaison and Policy Officer, CPDE
- **Mr. Mande Isaora Zefania Romalahy**, Head of Aid Co-ordination Permanent Secretariat - Office of the Prime Minister, Madagascar / GPI on Results and Mutual Accountability

- **Dr. Jing Gu**, Director of the [Centre for Rising Powers and Global Development](#) at the Institute of Development Studies / GPI “Future International Co-operation Policy Network”
- (ii) This will be followed by a **presentation by a Co-Chairs’ representative (Dorothea Groth** Federal Ministry for Economic Co-operation and Development, BMZ) on the 2017-2018 programme of work, including substantive areas of focus and preliminary findings from each strategic output as available. **(10 minutes)**
- (iii) This will be followed by a **Q&A** (plenary) with Co-Chairs and Working Group representatives. **(20 minutes)**

Background document: 2017-2018 Global Partnership [Programme of Work](#) ([ES](#) / [FR](#))

14:30 – 15:45 **Session 2:**
Overview of GPIs and their areas of work

This session will provide background on the GPIs themselves, covering their substantive areas of work and outcomes of the 2018 Call for Inputs, and identifying areas for co-operation / synergies among GPIs.

- (i) The **JST will make a short presentation** on the trends and themes identified in the 2018 GPI Call for Inputs. **(5 minutes)**
- (ii) This will be followed by **break-out groups in a world café format**. All attendees (GPIs, Steering Committee members, etc.) will have an opportunity to briefly present their GPI / organisation / country’s activities in reference to how they are:
- Demonstrating innovative / successful mechanisms for implementing the development effectiveness principles and other commitments identified in Busan / Mexico / Nairobi;
 - Identifying policy messages for more effective development co-operation;
 - Building multi-stakeholder partnerships or partnerships with other GPIs;
 - and / or sharing knowledge generated by their activities to increase development impact. **(45 minutes)**
- (iii) This will be followed by a **plenary session sharing insights from the round tables including:**
- Identifying messages to be conveyed to the Steering Committee or used in the Global Partnership’s substantive or communications / advocacy work;
 - Discussing possibilities for synergies / co-operation between GPIs. **(25 minutes)**

Background document: Feedback from the 2018 GPI Call for Inputs (forthcoming)

15:45 – 16:00 **Coffee break**

16:00 – 17:15 **Session 3:**
GPIs in the new development landscape

Chair: Nicoletta Merlo, European Commission

This session will discuss the relevance of the GPIs for the SDGs and the country-heavy, global-light approach.

- (i) Session three will begin with **input from an expert panel (20 minutes)** which will address the following questions:
- What is the relevance of the GPIs for the SDGs? Do the GPIs provide information / materials that assist partner countries in working towards SDG achievement?
 - What makes a GPI? Is the *global light / country heavy* approach still applicable, and is partner country management of GPIs happening in practice?
 - How can we incentivise new GPIs to form? What is the added value of being a GPI?

Proposed Panelists:

- **Ms. Jaqueline Wood**, GPI on Advancing the CSO Enabling Environment and CSO Development Effectiveness
- **Ms. Rose Wanjiru**, Advisory Group Member, GPI 'Effective Institution Platform'
- **Mr. Willem Fourie**, South African Sustainable Development Knowledge Hub
- **Ms. Lidia Fromm Cea**, Executive Director of Protectyo Mesoamerica / GPEDC Monitoring Advisory Group member

- (ii) The input will be followed by a **moderated panel discussion (20 minutes)** among the panellists.

- (iii) This will be followed by an **interactive plenary (35 minutes)** to open discussion among all workshop participants.

17:15 – 17:30 **Wrap-up of Day 1**

18:00 **Dinner at BMZ**

Tuesday, 20 March

09:30 – 10:30 **Session 4:
Enhancing GPIs' contribution to the 2017-2018 work programme**

Chair: Uwe Gehlen, Federal Ministry for Economic Co-operation and Development (BMZ)

This session will explore ways in which synergies between GPIs and the broader work of the GPEDC can be increased, and how GPIs can contribute to the implementation of the 2017-2018 work programme.

This session will begin with a **short recap** of the Work Programme's strategic outputs from **Dorothea Groth**, Federal Ministry for Economic Co-operation and Development (BMZ).

- (i) GPI representatives will then **break up and join one of three small groups**, each representing a strategic output of the Work Programme (Strategic Outputs 2, 4, and 5). A representative of each Working Group will give a **5-minute presentation** on the group's ongoing work and upcoming deliverables, and will act as facilitator for the small group discussions. The GPI representatives will be encouraged to **brainstorm** ways in which their work might act as a source of complementary evidence to, or directly support, the activities of the Working Groups. **(30 minutes)**

- (ii) This will be followed by a **plenary session reporting back from the round tables**, highlighting concrete proposals on how to better link the GPIs to each of the Work Programme's Strategic Outputs. **(30 minutes)**

Background document: 2017-2018 Global Partnership [Programme of Work](#) ([ES](#) / [FR](#))

10:30 – 11:30 **Session 5:**
Localising our work: GPIs' contribution to country-level efforts

Chair: Mr. Mohammed Khan, Government of Bangladesh

This session will explore ways for GPIs to further support implementation of effective development co-operation at the country level and to support ongoing activities under Working Group 1 on Country-Level Implementation.

- (i) **Nicoletta Merlo**, European Commission, representative from the Working Group on Country-Level Implementation, will make a **short presentation** on the country pilot process, including outcomes from the GPI session at the Country-Level Implementation Workshop (Addis, February 2018) and the proposed compendium of good practices. **(15 minutes)**
 - (ii) A **plenary session** will then be held to discuss how the work of the GPIs could feed into the piloting process and / or provide complementary evidence to the compendium of good practices. **(45 minutes)**
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11:30 – 12:00 **Coffee break**

12:00 – 13:00 **Session 6:**
Knowledge-Sharing: GPIs' added value

This session will explore ways for GPIs to further support the Global Partnership's efforts to strengthen knowledge-sharing on effective development co-operation for increased impact and will also discuss ways they can more widely share their own knowledge.

- (i) **Daniel Gamboa-Gálvez**, AMEXID, representative from the Working Group on Knowledge-Sharing, will make a **short presentation** on its work to date, including the plans for the proposed knowledge-sharing platform. **(5 minutes)**
- (ii) Participants will then be broken into small groups those to **discuss** how the work of the GPIs could (i) be better synthesised into useful knowledge products and / or policy messages to inform the work of the Global Partnership and (ii) be harnessed through the knowledge-sharing platform. **(35 minutes)**
- (iii) A **plenary session** will then be held to report back and discuss insights from the group sessions. **(20 minutes)**

Background document: Knowledge-Sharing Platform terms of reference

13:00 – 14:00 **Lunch**

14:00 – 15:30 **Session 7:
Feedback on the proposal to strengthen engagement with GPIs and build a community of practice**

Chair: Suzanne Müller, GPI Results and Mutual Accountability

This session will seek to provide concrete feedback from GPIs on the JST proposal for strengthening engagement with the GPIs, to be presented at the 15th Steering Committee meeting (Washington, 21-22 April 2018) and to strengthen information-sharing and cross-fertilisation of work between GPIs in support of a GPI community of practice.

- (i) The **Chair (Suzanne Müller – GPI Results and Mutual Accountability)** will make **opening remarks** about the importance of better engaging GPIs in the core work of the Global Partnership and the planned agenda item at the Steering Committee meeting in April. **(5 minutes)**
- (ii) The **JST will make a short presentation** on the draft proposal for strengthening engagement with the GPIs, to be presented to the Steering Committee. **(5 minutes)**
- (iii) GPIs will then be **split into small groups to brainstorm** ways in which the linkages between GPIs and the GPEDC could be practically strengthened, based on the paper prepared by the Working Group on Knowledge-Sharing and the proposal by the JST. In doing so, GPIs will be encouraged to consider (i) ways in which the GPEDC could functionally support their work and (ii) discuss challenges or lessons they have faced in collaborating with their own members, across GPIs or even with the Global Partnership itself. **(40 minutes)**
- (iv) This will be followed by **a plenary session reporting back / sharing insights from the round tables**; and agreeing on practical refinements to the JST presentation to the Steering Committee on strengthening engagement with GPIs at its 15th meeting (Washington, 21-22 April 2018). **(40 minutes)**

Background document: Draft Proposal for Strengthening Engagement with the GPIs

15:30 – 15:45 **Feedback from workshop participants**

15:45 – 16:00 **Conclusion and the way forward**

Chair: Ms. Dorothea Groth, Federal Ministry for Economic Co-operation and Development (BMZ)

The closing session will summarise all key highlights from the two days, which will be conveyed to the Steering Committee along with examples, successful stories and / or policy recommendations from GPIs at its 15th meeting (Washington, April 2018).