

Global Compendium of Good Practices

Concept Note

Background

The Nairobi Outcome Document (NOD), adopted in December 2016 at the Second High-Level Meeting of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation, highlights the importance of country-level implementation of effectiveness principles as an essential driver of development results. Actioning the NOD, the 2017-2018 Work Programme of the Global Partnership names enhanced support to effective development co-operation at country level as a strategic priority.

Under this strategic priority area, a number of country of pilots are being undertaken, the objective of which is to support increased effectiveness at country level and to demonstrate the positive impact of effective development co-operation on the achievement of national, regional and global development goals. The aim is to understand they 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.
- **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 of 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

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Building on the outcomes of the country pilots, as well as other complementary evidence, the Global Partnership will produce a *Global Compendium of Good Practices*. The purpose of the Global Compendium is to provide guidance to countries and their development partners on implementation of effectiveness commitments at country level, drawing on experienced-based evidence. In essence, the Global Compendium will outline key effectiveness challenges and will propose solutions in the form of actions or

behaviour changes either on the part of governments, development partners or other stakeholders working at country level.

The Global Compendium will be structured around common effectiveness challenges, as defined by countries. In line with the principle of country ownership and the country-level focus of the Global Partnership, the Global Compendium, while incorporating the views of various stakeholders, will attempt to keep the perspective of country governments at the forefront. Each challenge will be presented in detail, including an explanation of how the challenge impedes effectiveness. The general challenge (e.g. data collection and management) will then be broken down into more specific issues (e.g. incentivising reporting, limited capacity etc.). Each of these specific issues will be followed by guidance on proposed solutions, with a strong focus on providing country examples of successful solutions.

Collection of Evidence

Identification of common challenges will be based the results of the 2016 Global Partnership monitoring round and feedback provided by governments representatives at Global Partnership events, including the Enhanced Effectiveness at Country Level Pilot Launch Workshop, held in February 2018 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. After a final list of challenges to be included in the Global Compendium is endorsed by the Global Partnership Working Group on Enhanced Effectiveness at Country level, a call for complementary evidence will be launched. Steering Committee members, national and local governments, development partners, Global Partnership Initiatives (GPIs), think tanks and academia will be invited to submit research, case studies and country stories to possibly be featured in the Global Compendium.

Value-Added

While information on effectiveness issues exists, these knowledge products are often narrow in scope, focusing on only one issue. The Global Compendium will be a single source of guidance on a variety of key issues, providing actionable solutions and providing references for further reading as necessary. The Global Partnership is well placed to undertake this work, drawing on its first-hand experience in supporting countries to enhance effectiveness, including supporting countries in generating data and evidence through its monitoring exercise and supporting countries and partners in taking forward monitoring results. Further, the Global Partnership is able to draw on its global network of development practitioners to ensure relevant complementary evidence from a diversity of sources is used to inform this work.

Synergies with Global Partnership Workstreams

The Global Compendium will incorporate evidence generated through various Global Partnership workstreams, including evidence from Global Partnership monitoring, the case studies produced under the workstream on private sector engagement leveraged through development co-operation and research produced under the workstream on learning from different modalities of development co-operation. The evidence included in the Global Compendium will inform the workstream on knowledge sharing, as well as high-level dialogue envisaged under the workstream on driving political momentum.

Timeline

The following is an indicative proposed timeline:

<i>April 2018</i>	Endorsement of concept by the Steering Committee
<i>May to June 2018</i>	Defining common effectiveness challenges

<i>July to September 2018</i>	Collection of complementary evidence and initial input from pilots
<i>October to December 2018</i>	Initial drafting of the Global Compendium
<i>January to February 2019</i>	Final feedback from pilots received and incorporated
<i>March 2019</i>	Peer review of the Global Compendium
<i>April 2019</i>	Launch of the Global Compendium

Roles and Responsibilities

The Global Partnership Steering Committee will be responsible for the endorsement of the overall direction of the Global Compendium. Through the Working Group on Enhanced Effectiveness at Country Level, led by Bangladesh and the European Commission with the support of Germany, the Steering Committee will provide strategic direction throughout the project. Steering Committee members will also be responsible for reaching out to their constituencies to solicit the submission of complementary evidence. The Joint Support Team will be responsible for the overall collection of evidence, including collecting reports from the country pilots. It will then be responsible for analysing and compiling evidence, drafting the final document and facilitating the review and publication process.