

Global Partnership Event: Reinigorating Effectiveness for the 2030 Agenda

Paris, 11-12 September 2018

Development challenges are more complicated, persistent and interlinked than ever. As a result, inclusive and effective partnerships that deliver tailored solutions are even more critical. The established effectiveness principles provide an overarching framework for strengthened development partnerships that yield long lasting, sustainable development results. However, translating the principles into action in diverse country contexts calls for a renewed focus on the key drivers of success for effectiveness partnerships in the new development climate. To realise the ambition of the 2030 Agenda, particularly SDG17 on a revitalised global partnership, and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, urgent action is needed to build and maintain partnerships for development that cater to country needs and respond quickly to changes in country context.

Three years into SDG implementation, the time is ripe for fresh thinking on how effectiveness relates to the dynamic challenges of an increasingly complex development landscape. Dialogue between all partners is imperative to tailor effectiveness to contexts, as well as balance accountability between different actors. Among numerous pressing issues, this includes careful consideration on how development co-operation can be delivered most effectively in fragile and conflict-affected situations where citizens are most at risk of being left behind. As the development community, we will be judged by our ability to effectively support countries transition to peaceful and sustainable societies¹. Dialogue is also needed on what effectiveness means in the context of engaging the private sector in development co-operation. To deliver on the SDGs, we have committed to mobilise, redirect and unlock the transformative power of private resources² - yet how we do this effectively through development co-operation remains to be agreed.

The SDGs capture the international community's global commitment and ambition, however they will be achieved at country level – through collective efforts under national leadership. This calls for country-led discussions for tailored and nuanced effectiveness approaches. Existing experience and expertise on the determinants of success for effective development co-operation is critical to fast-track development outcomes on the ground. Country perspectives on the role and future direction of mutual monitoring and accountability exercises are vital to ensure that tailored effectiveness approaches can realistically be implemented and tracked to generate lessons and spur learning at national, regional and global levels.

¹ While the overall number of people living in extreme poverty is falling globally, the number of extremely poor people living in fragile situations is set to increase to 542 million in 2035 from 480 million in 2015 (OECD 2016).

² Businesses provide 60% of Gross Domestic Product, 80% of capital flows and 90% of jobs in developing countries (OECD 2015)

Compelling data must guide our efforts for tangible results at country level. The renewed emphasis on data and review in the context of the SDGs, responds to a key lesson from the MDG era – that real-time tracking of progress is essential to facilitate learning, adjustments where necessary, and to ensure that collective action generates results.

The Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation delivers data and evidence on effective development co-operation and is the vehicle to globally track and accelerate implementation of political commitments, as well as drive behaviour change. It draws on a country-led approach for evidence gathering, mutual accountability and learning, and informs UN-led follow-up and review of SDG targets related to multi-stakeholder partnerships, country ownership and gender equality.

To accelerate country-led efforts for implementing and monitoring effective partnerships, the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation will meet on 11 and 12 September 2018. The first day will bring together partners engaging in the 2018 Global Partnership monitoring round to spur progress at its mid-point, providing an opportunity to address bottlenecks and discuss how results can be used in support of a successful monitoring effort. The second day will continue policy dialogue at senior technical level to discuss key emerging issues related to strategic priorities of the Global Partnership's biennial programme of work. With this, the Global Partnership will advance a reinvigorated and tailored effectiveness agenda that fast tracks progress on achieving the SDGs by delivering and partnering effectively.

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Day 1

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

Workshop: Monitoring effectiveness for the SDGs in 2018

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| 8:30 – 9:15 | Global Partnership Monitoring Spotlights: Exploring experiences (breakfast included) |
| 9:15 – 9:30 | Session I: Monitoring for learning and progress: Overview of the 2018 Global Partnership Monitoring Round |
| 9:30 – 10:45 | Session II: Leading country participation in the 2018 Global Partnership Monitoring Round |
| 10:45 – 11:00 | Coffee break |
| 11:00 – 12:30 | Session III: Leading country/organisational participation in the 2018 Global Partnership Monitoring Round |
| 12:30 – 13:30 | Lunch break |
| 13:30 – 15:00 | Session IV: Monitoring Clinics |
| 15:00 – 15:30 | Coffee break |
| 15:30 – 16:30 | Session V: Harnessing monitoring results to drive more effective partnerships |
| 16:30 – 17:00 | Session VI: Closing: Identifying key elements for successful monitoring |
| 17:00 – 19:00 | Networking reception |

Day 2

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Inclusive Dialogue: Reinvigorating effectiveness for the 2030 Agenda

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| 9:00 – 9:30 | Session I: Opening |
| 9:30 – 10:30 | Session II: Roundtable on drivers of success for a renewed effectiveness agenda |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Coffee break |
| 11:00 – 13:00 | Session III: Success stories in using country-led monitoring results to drive behaviour change |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch break |
| 14:00 – 15:30 | Session IV: Interactive discussion on delivering effectively in fragile situations |
| 15:30 – 16:00 | Coffee break |
| 16:00 – 17:30 | Session V: Hyde Park corner debate on scaling up private sector engagement to delivering impactful solutions |
| 17:30 – 18:00 | Session VI: Closing |