

**LAUNCH OF THE GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP'S PAPER ON EFFECTIVE MULTILATERAL SUPPORT  
& UNGA SIDE-EVENT - CONCEPT NOTE**

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[Thursday 15 September](#)  
[Time: 08h30 \(ET\)](#)

The need for an effective multilateral system has never been more important to address the nature and scale of today's global challenges, from record numbers of displaced persons to era-defining pandemics. In this vein, and in line with the work program supported the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation, **a virtual event for the launch of the Global Partnership's paper on effective multilateral support and donorship will be organized in the margins of UNGA77**, in line with this year's theme - *A watershed moment: transformative solutions to interlocking challenges*. The launch event will also serve as an UNGA side-event, to contribute to a global reflection on how we can collectively build more resilient and sustainable solutions to address today's interlinking challenges as we work towards the 2030 Agenda.

*The side event is part of the road to the [2022 Effective Development Co-operation Summit](#) which will take place 12-14 December in Geneva (hybrid). Taking place at the midpoint of Agenda 2030, the Summit will put a spotlight on how better co-operation strengthens trust and transforms the way we work together. Ministers and decision-makers on development co-operation policies and programs, civil society leaders, CEOs of the private sector, and other key actors from trade unions, foundations, multilateral development banks, local and regional governments, parliamentarians, and academia will attend.*

i. ***Meeting details:***

- A 1/1.5 hour briefing sharing with partners the latest on:
  - What partners can do to contribute to a more effective multilateral system.
  - Findings from recently concluded primary research on perceptions and expectations of the multilateral system, through the lens of the effectiveness principles
  - Current secondary sources of data (including participants from these efforts, including DHF, the OECD, and the MPTFO).
- It will be led by UNDP, as the comms and UN advocacy lead within the JST to the Partnership, with lead roles for the UNDS rep to the Partnership and Co-Chairs.
- At least 30 minutes should be reserved for open discussion.

ii. ***Target audience:***

- Donor-country multilateral units, and permanent missions
- The broader UNGA audience
- Development co-operation and effectiveness practitioners.

iii. ***Purpose/Message*** (in one sentence):

*The multilateral system is **not just an effective partner for efforts toward the 2030 Agenda**; it is, more broadly, a **policy-space for undertaking objectives that we cannot otherwise accomplish unilaterally, and navigating inherent tensions between these objectives.***

In addition to this, other channels for our development efforts, namely through humanitarian efforts and financial institutions, may hold important lessons for how partners can support and engage with multilateral organizations to make the multilateral system still more effective.

iv. **Outline run-of-show (blue denotes proposed speaker):**

Segment	Speakers	Guiding Topics / Proposed Speaking Points
<b>Intro remarks</b> (5 min)	<b>The UNDS rep to the GPEDC</b> <i>Ms. Ulrika Mod��er</i> Director of Bureau for External Relations and Advocacy, UNDP	Overview of why the principles still matter, why the focus on multilateralism, trends in development cooperation
<b>Remarks/recording</b> (5 min)	<b>Member of the SG's HLB</b> <b>(TBC)</b>	Emerging themes and trends on effective multilateralism
<b>Presentation on key findings from report</b>	<b>GPEDC Consultant</b> Mr. Graham Carrington  <i>Approx. 10 minutes</i>	Overview on purpose of report; methodology; key findings; and recommendations
	<b>MPTFO</b> <i>Ms. Jennifer Topping</i> Executive Director at UN Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office  <i>Approx. 6/7 minutes</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UN system as a political space for development partners to work together on key issues and identify resourcing options</li> <li>UN as a vehicle for de-risking activities and externalized actions in fragile contexts, with a focus on the political space and human right based approach.</li> <li>Link to the 2022 <i>Financing the UN development System report</i></li> </ul>
	<b>DHF</b> <i>Mr. Erik Engberg</i> Programme Manager at Dag Hammarskj��ld Foundation  <i>Approx. 6/7 minutes</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To what extent does the implementation of the Funding Compact require progress on the four principles of effective development cooperation?</li> </ul>
<b>Panel Discussion</b> (up to 25 mins)	Panel will cover specific perspectives from major partner types interviewed for the report primary research.	
	<b>Sweden</b> <i>Ms. Helen Eduards</i> Director-General for International Development Cooperation, MFA  (Donor)  <i>Approx. 6/7 minutes</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding choices/decision making processes: nexus between own policy agenda and objectives and types of resourcing of the system (core funding and soft earmarked); development vs humanitarian assistance balances and work across the nexus (normative role of UN vs leveraging potential of IFIs)</li> <li>SIDA's experience in working with UN system with reference to humanitarian aid, health, promotion of human rights based approach</li> <li>May want to announce that it will be taking over as Co-Chair at the upcoming Summit</li> </ul>

	<p><b>Colombia</b></p> <p><i>Ms. Viviana Manrique, Director General</i></p> <p>(Partner country; also dual country voice)</p> <p><i>Approx. 6/7 minutes</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of the UN at the country level (e.g., role of RCs) to enhance mechanisms of transparency and accountability (may touch on ‘assessment of UN country team mechanism’)</li> <li>• UN system to facilitate access / bridge building for donors to better align with country ownership (local norms, priorities and needs)</li> </ul>
	<p><b>CPDE</b></p> <p><i>Mr. Richard Ssewakiryanga</i></p> <p>Senior Research Fellow, Center for Basic Research; Co-Chair CPDE; Presiding Officer Emeritus, AU ECOSOCC</p> <p>(CSOs/NGOs)</p> <p><i>Approx. 6/7 minutes</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunities and challenges in institutional spaces for CSO engagement in multilaterals and the direct engagement with non-executive actors in respective country processes e.g., parliaments, audit institutions etc.</li> <li>• Role of CSO in supporting multilateral system acting as a champion of effectiveness principles (e.g., how the system can advance country ownership and legitimacy mechanisms by increasing acceptance at country and community level)</li> </ul>
	<p><b>IADB</b></p> <p><i>(TBC)</i></p> <p>(multilateral)</p> <p><i>Approx. 6/7 minutes</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Role of MDBs in mitigating risks when operating in fragile contexts (use of specific funds and mechanisms)</li> <li>• Lessons learnt on mitigating cost of capital, currency exchange-related issues and use of innovative finance (e.g., in relation with predictability)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Open discussion</b> (30 mins)</p>	<p><b>OECD</b> as lead discussant</p> <p><i>Mr. Rahul Malhotra</i></p> <p>Head of the DCD Multilateralism Task Force/Head of the RREDI Division</p> <p><i>Approx. 5 minutes, then open Q&amp;A</i></p>	<p><b>Space for open discussion for participants.</b> Lead discussant’s proposed speaking points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key trends in recent funding to the system (earmarked / core contributions) and implication of decisions by DAC members</li> <li>• Perspectives for the future based on these recent trends</li> </ul>
<p><b>Closing, UNDS rep</b> (5 mins)</p>	<p><b>The UNDS rep to the GPEDC</b></p> <p><i>Ms. Ulrika Modéer</i></p> <p>Director of Bureau for External Relations and Advocacy, UNDP</p>	<p>Remind colleagues of other evidence beyond just the report that will be launched at the Summit. Welcome colleagues to follow and share news of the Summit.</p>

v. **Proposed media dissemination:**

Existing social media channels, UNDGC lists, Global Partnership newsletter and Summit Communications Network