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Goodall Edward Gondwe
Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development
Malawi

“IF WE WANT TO REACH OUR TARGET - NO EXTREME POVERTY IN 2030 - WE HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER. I AM PLEASED TO SEE THAT NGOS, GOVERNMENTS, PRIVATE SECTOR, FOUNDATIONS, ALL OF YOU ARE WILLING TO STEP IN AND WILLING TO WORK WITH THE CO-CHAIRS IN THE STEERING COMMITTEE FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR EVERYONE WHO IS LIVING ON THIS PLANET.”

Lilianne Ploumen
Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation
Netherlands

“THE DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES THAT WE FACE IN THE POST-2015 ERA DEMAND THAT WE JOIN EFFORTS IN A GLOBAL, TARGETED STRATEGY. WE MUST LEARN HOW TO WORK EFFECTIVELY THROUGH INCLUSIVE, MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PARTNERSHIPS. THE GPEDC IS HELPING TO FOSTER THESE PARTNERSHIPS ON THE GROUND TO MAXIMISE THE IMPACT OF DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION.”

José Antonio Meade Kuribreña,
Secretary of Foreign Affairs,
Mexico
The Global Partnership helps nations, business and organisations work better together to end poverty.

It brings governments, private companies, civil society and organisations together to ensure funding, time and knowledge produce maximum impact for development. The Global Partnership is led by Ministers from Malawi, Mexico, and the Netherlands. It is a forum for advice, shared accountability, shared learning and experiences to support the implementation of principles that form the foundation of effective development co-operation:

- ownership by developing countries;
- a focus on results;
- inclusive development partnerships; and,
- transparency and accountability to one another.

The principles were endorsed at the Fourth High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness in Busan, Korea in 2011.

The Global Partnership can help drive progress and support the implementation of the global development agenda that will follow the Millennium Development Goals target year of 2015.
Haiti’s online aid database is back on track to show “who does what in Haiti” following interruptions caused by natural disaster.

The External Assistance Management Module (Module de Gestion de l’Aide Externe) is now recording information from more than 250 donors, civil society organisations, development partners and non-state actors. It aims to help everyone see data on funding, in-kind contributions, and projects/programmes funded by the international community.

“We have come a long way, from a situation in which the government hardly had any information on who does what in Haiti to one in which it has detailed knowledge on more than 80% of all activities financed by external aid implemented in the country,” said Yves Robert Jean, Director General of Haiti’s Ministry of Planning and External Co-operation.

Progress on the management module was halted by Haiti’s earthquake of January 12, 2010. The quake killed more than 200,000 people, left 1.5 million displaced, and damaged or destroyed more than 300,000 buildings.

But since 2012, the national data collection is again progressing.

“By providing information on the activities financed by external aid being carried out in the country, the management module allows the government to decide on the appropriate allocation of its own resources and to better plan its development,” said Claude Grand Pierre, who heads the Technical Coordination Secretariat implementing the External Aid Coordination Framework.

The database is a key part of this roadmap to support country-led aid management, monitoring, co-ordination and rationalisation of aid for both reconstruction and longer-term development.

More than half of Haiti’s national budget is financed by aid, and the Global Partnership aims to make such funds more effective through development co-operation.

“The increasing use of the management module and the information it contains, accessible by all through the public page of the website, by development partners has improved co-ordination and decreased duplication, and will continue to do so, only better, in the years to come, making aid in support of Haiti’s development more effective,” added Grand Pierre.
A new member of the OECD Development Assistance Committee, the Czech Republic has a focus on aid effectiveness and scores highly on aid transparency.

It is also putting Global Partnerships principles to good use when giving Official Development Assistance (ODA) to countries such as Ethiopia. “The Busan declaration calls for improved quality and effectiveness of development co-operation,” said Zuzan Hlavickova, Head of Czech Official Development Assistance.

“In view of that, the Czech Republic supported the European Union initiative of joint programming of development activities so that the overall development architecture will be simplified and the transaction costs of the ODA decreased.”

“A concrete example of this is in Ethiopia, where the Czech Republic joined the EU programme this January.”

Various aspects of the Busan Partnership agreement, which informs the Global Partnership, are also reflected in the Czech Republic’s Multilateral Development Strategy.

“One of the key elements of the new partnerships reflected in our strategy is the participation of a broad spectrum of partners in the development process and particularly the recognition of the central role of the private sector in advancing innovation, creating wealth, income and jobs, mobilising domestic resources and in turn contributing to poverty reduction,” Hlavickova said.

“Apart from that, we also promote ‘aid for trade’ as an engine of sustainable development.”

A DAC member since May 2013, the Czech Republic won OECD praise for its willingness to effectively engage in international development co-operation, and NGO group Publish What You Fund has found the Czech ODA programme to be the sixth most transparent in the EU.
Uganda is making strides in bringing Southern partners into its development co-operation conversation, according to an expert from the country’s Finance Ministry.

Frederick Twesiime, senior economist at the Ugandan Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, reported that Southern partners such as China and Korea are now participating in the Ugandan government’s development co-operation initiatives.

“These development partners who are on board have also started reporting on the activities that they are undertaking in the country, which were not doing before,” he said.

Twesiime said his country has aligned its own development objectives and co-operation with the Busan Principles.

Uganda’s development partners have joined sector working groups where they contribute to sector priorities and financing agendas. At the national level, both co-ordination and mutual accountability meetings are held where donors present their findings and fundings to the Prime Minister, as well as discussing policy issues.

Twesiime said: “These development partners are co-chairing the sector working groups together with the government so it is not only government level – it is also a partnership because we think if we move with them with the same voice we are able to achieve the shared objective.”

He added: “They would like to see government in the steering wheel, but since we are development partners we share the wheel.”
Support for the Global Partnership

"From Albania to Zimbabwe, 161 countries and 56 organisations have already endorsed the Global Partnership."

161 nations and 56 organisations from around the world have declared their support for the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation.

Supporters include developing countries, emerging economies and Southern partners, donors from the ‘Global North,’ private businesses and foundations, international financial institutions, civil society and others.

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