Africa Regional Meeting: Implementation of the Africa Action Plan on Development Effectiveness

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• Take stock of implementation of Busan commitments at country level and share experiences and best practices;
• Through information sharing, scale-up the integration &/or development of concrete national implementation plans of the African Action Plan;
• Design mechanisms to ensure aid is directed to key African priorities on development cooperation to catalyze own development efforts;
• Formulate actions to implement key priorities in the Africa Action Plan in alignment with the Post-2015 Agenda and AU Agenda 2063;
• Refine and add value to the GP monitoring indicators to adequately capture and assess tangible development cooperation results at country level;
• Capture input of African constituency for broader stakeholder views into the deliberations of the January 2015 7th GP Steering Committee;
• Update the African constituency on progress and way forward with the Global Partnership for input and ownership.
Africa Action Plan on Development Effectiveness (AAP)

Africa’s Development Priorities, Global Partnership & AAA
Key African Agendas and Main Thrusts

1. National Development Plans and Strategies
   - Outlines national development goals, priorities and targets for growth and development

2. NEPAD Programme
   - African Union strategic framework for pan-African socio-economic transformation and inclusive development

3. AU Agenda 2063
   - A shared strategic framework for inclusive growth and sustainable development (through industrialization & modernization etc)

   - Articulates African priorities for Post-2015 development agenda focusing on levers of growth and development

5. African Action Plan on Development Effectiveness (AAP)
   - Outlines African priorities for effective development cooperation (means of implementation) to support the above drawn from Busan
Evolution of the AAP

• In preparation for Mexico HLM African constituency was committed to scaling-up implementation of Busan commitments:

  ❖ Identify Africa’s top-most Development Cooperation priorities from 2011 Busan Commitments;

  ❖ Define and agree upon key action areas aligned with Africa’s development agenda;

  ❖ Binding plan for action which was not a simple communique;

  ❖ With political leadership of Champion Group of African Ministers the AAP developed in Abidjan 2013 in prep for Mexico HLM
AAP Priority 1 - *Tax and Domestic Resource Mobilization*

- Effective and robust tax administration systems and institutions;
- Promotion of domestic private sector growth;
- Elimination of Illicit Financial Flows out of Africa;
- Enablement and expansion of intra-African trade and investment;
- Promotion of access to global markets and fair trade;
- Responsible corporate governance of natural resource and extractive industries;
- Supporting and leveraging on the secondary economy for inclusive development;
- Development of innovative financing mechanisms - infrastructure bonds, stock exchanges, PPPs, regional bonds.
AAP Priority 2:  *MICs and Effective Development Cooperation*

- Support countries in preventing acute problems of inequality while graduating into MIC status;
- Development of concrete exit strategies for countries transitioning from LICs to MICs;
- Refinement of an inclusive indicator for categorizing MICs for proper transitioning to avoid unwarranted reduction of development assistance;
- Enhance experience sharing between countries that have successfully transitioned to MIC status;
- Increased partnerships and investment between MICs and LICs to enhance economic growth.
AAP Priority 3: *Knowledge Sharing, South-South and Triangular Cooperation*

- Building and strengthening coalitions to promote SSC & TrC for mutual learning and innovation (e.g. technology transfer & adaptation);
- Enhanced cooperation among national, regional and continental economic institutions across the continents (Asia etc.) to foster RI for accelerated economic growth;
- Intra-Africa exchanges based on indigenous African knowledge systems for innovation and development using African platforms i.e. APDev;
- Building cooperation with non-traditional SS partners for alternative and innovative financing;
- Development and institutionalization of mechanisms to foster SS & TC for learning and evidence-based decision making.
AAP Priority 4: *Private Sector and Effective Development Cooperation*

- Highly skilled, financed and technologically equipped institutions to manage PPP projects;
- Promotion of business as a key partner in development – (AU Ebola V case);
- Creation of wealth and sustainable decent jobs to advance economic growth – i.e. corporate governance in extractives for national benefit;
- Strengthen platforms for inclusive and structured private sector dialogue and participation in development cooperation,
- Explicit strategy on growth of small to medium-size enterprises in achieving inclusive economic growth – domestic/local private sector/PPP
Conclusion

• AAP priorities aligned with Africa’s current and future priorities incl Post-2015;

• AAP provides an entry point for Global partnership support to Africa’s inclusive growth and transformation;

• AAP priorities serve the following purposes:
  ➢ Gradual exiting of Aid towards sustainability;
  ➢ Enhanced improvement of means of implementation;
  ➢ Growth and expansion of innovative domestic resource mobilization mechanisms incl. systems to curb illicit flows
Thank you