Strengthening the quality of development partnerships

The Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation (GPEDC) is an inclusive multi-stakeholder partnership established after the Fourth High-Level Meeting on Aid Effectiveness in Busan, Korea, in 2011. It brings together over 160 governments and 54 international organisations (private sector, civil society and others) to ensure funding, knowledge and policy have a maximum impact on development results.

2015-16 are important years for the GPEDC, with the roll-out of a second country-focused monitoring round in 2015 and a High Level Meeting (HLM) in Kenya in 2016, and the opportunities these present to support the conclusions of the Financing for Development Conference and the Post-2015 development agenda.

How does the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation support high-quality development finance?

The GPEDC builds on the Monterrey Consensus and the extensive work that led to the Paris, Accra, Busan and Mexico High Level Meetings. Financing for development must be coupled with action to improve the quality and effectiveness of development co-operation. The principles of effective development co-operation – country ownership, focus on results, inclusive partnerships, and transparency and accountability – remain critical in achieving sustainable development for all.

The GPEDC helps ensure more effective use of all development finance by:

- Strengthening developing country leadership in planning and managing all development finance (strengthened institutions and country systems);
- Ensuring smarter development finance to deliver results (more predictable and transparent, better aligned to developing countries’ own systems and priorities);
- Convening the broad range of development finance stakeholders (aid and beyond) to maximise the impact of development partnerships, based on mutual accountability through a developing country-led process for monitoring the quality of partnerships.

This year’s second monitoring round and the 2016 HLM will help GPEDC stakeholders take stock of how well they are performing against the commitments they made in Busan. The GPEDC can also spur action on the ground by building its monitoring efforts on developing countries’ own data and information systems, as well as by driving country and regional implementation efforts through over 40 Global Partnership Initiatives (over 40) designed to accelerate the achievement of results.

How does the GPEDC support mutual accountability for high-quality development finance?

The GPEDC monitors the quality of development finance and partnerships through ten indicators grounded in the principles of effective development co-operation. Its monitoring framework is founded on developing country leadership, involves the full range of GPEDC stakeholders, and contributes to strengthening mutual accountability and country level dialogue.

The GPEDC inclusive country-led approach and processes provide a complementary, ready-made platform to help support UN-led FFD and SDG implementation and accountability efforts post-2015.

The OECD and UNDP jointly support the functioning of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation. For more information, please visit the GPEDC website www.effectivecooperation.org.