Effective Cooperation and Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships for Addressing Sustainable Development Challenges in Middle Income Countries

The geography of poverty has been evolving so that middle-income countries (MICs) now represent almost three quarters of the global poor. While a considerable number of countries have reached middle-income status through rapid economic growth, many MICs encounter diverse development challenges including persistent poverty, growing inequality, vulnerability to macro-economic shocks and climate change. Against the backdrop of rapidly changing development architecture with the emergence of new transformative SDGs, there is a growing consensus that this is an opportune time to re-assess the role of development cooperation in the context of MICs.

This high-level multi-stakeholder panel discussion will consider the principles of successful development cooperation practices in MICs. Hosted by Japan and Mexico under the framework of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation; GPEDC, and moderated by international broadcaster Henry Bonsu, the side event will include perspectives from a range of governments, as well as international organizations, CSOs, and the private sector on key questions including:

- How can development cooperation play a catalytic role in addressing impediments to further development in Middle Income Countries?
- How can the GPEDC as a multi-stakeholder platform promoting behavioral change on the ground support these efforts?

When: July 14th, 2015, 13:15-14:45
Where: Hotel Intercontinental (Warka), Addis Ababa

* A complimentary light lunch will be served.

Attendance is open to all registered participants at the FFD Conference. Should you have any question, please contact: anna.whitson@undp.org
Introduction

Moderator: Mr. Henry Bonsu, International Broadcaster

Opening Remarks

- Japan: H.E. Mr. Minoru Kiuchi
  State Minister for Foreign Affairs

- Malawi (GPEDC Co-Chair): Mr. Newby Kumwembe
  Principal Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Development

Panel Discussion

- Ghana: H.E. Mr. Seth Terkper
  Minister of Finance
  Perspectives from MIC in Africa

- Mexico (GPEDC Co-Chair): Mr. Juan Manuel Valle
  Executive Director, Mexican International Development Cooperation Agency (AMEXCID)
  MIC perspective in the FfD outcome document

- Thailand: Mr. Chutintorn Gongsakde
  Director-General, Department of International Economic Affairs
  Perspectives from MIC in Asia

- UNDP: Mr. Magdy Martínez-Solimán
  Assistant Administrator and Director of the Bureau for Policy and Programme Support
  The Role of Development Cooperation and MICs

- OECD/DAC: Mr. Jon Lomoy
  Director of the Development Co-operation Directorate
  Development Challenges in MICs

- The Netherlands (GPEDC Co-Chair): Mr. Christiaan Rebergen
  Director-General for International Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
  Lessons learned from multi-stakeholders partnerships

Interactive Discussion from the Floor

- Republic of Philippines: Ms. Violeta S. Corpus, Assistant Director of Monitoring and Evaluation Staff, National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA)

- ECLAC: Mr. Daniel Titelman, Chief, Economic Development Division

- UNICEF: Ms. Nalinee Nippita, Senior Advisor for Multilateral and Intergovernmental Partnership

- CSO Partnership for Development Effectiveness (CPDE): Mr. Jorge Balbis, Co-Chair for Outreach and CSO Effectiveness.

- USAID: Mr. Alex Their (TBC), Assistant Administrator