

PREPARING FOR THE 2013 MINISTERIAL-LEVEL MEETING OF THE GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP FOR EFFECTIVE DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION

Guidance note and template for additional inputs from steering committee volunteers

Theme: Political vision

Deadline for inputs: 15 April 2013

The template overleaf is intended to guide volunteers from within the Global Partnership Steering Committee as they try to pin down in more detail the elements of proposed discussions and deliverables within each of five themes for the first ministerial-level meeting of the Global Partnership. This follows discussions at the Steering Committee meeting held in Bali, Indonesia, 23-24 March 2013.

Note that this is intended to be a rapid exercise. The Co-Chairs are keen that your inputs should be available within the next couple of weeks so that they can begin work on a draft agenda for the ministerial-level meeting, which would then act as a starting point for broad consultation with the full membership of the Global Partnership.

What is expected?

- Quick, specific suggestions from Steering Committee members based on their experience and interests;
- An emphasis on political discussions, and a limited number of political deliverables;
- Links with existing evidence, leadership among existing actors, and links with other partnerships (where relevant).

What is *not* expected?

- The setting up of new, formal “workstreams” or similar structures to prepare for the ministerial;
- Work focusing on highly technical solutions to challenges – the added value of the Global Partnership ministerial lies in providing political steer and addressing political blockages in the implementation of Busan commitments.

Based on these inputs, the Co-Chairs propose to work on a draft agenda with a limited number of sessions (this may mean having more than one theme per session, or call for further prioritisation).

Theme: Political vision**Contact Information: Who is organising this workstream / thematic issue? Who has contributed to this note?**

- Which Steering Committee members will lead?
 - The EU is happy to contribute.
- Who is the main contact point?
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Information on this theme / Vision

The context of global development has changed radically over the past decade, bringing new dynamics between countries, regions and other actors; new challenges such as climate change; and new opportunities such as improved technologies and new sources of finance. At the same time, we now have a wealth of experience of lifting people and countries out of poverty.

We need to ensure that we respond effectively to this new environment, building on our accumulated experience, by working in new and appropriate ways to tackle shared challenges. This should incorporate lessons learned from the implementation of development effectiveness principles and commitments.

The Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation (GP) is a unique coalition of partners, bringing together all development actors at country and global levels, to work together to ensure effective co-operation for development, as was committed to in the Busan High Level Forum.

The vision for the Global Partnership ministerial-level meeting hinges around three elements:

- review progress and support implementation of the Busan commitments at all levels,
- Links with the post-2015 development agenda. The Global Partnership can define *how* to achieve the goals.
- provide input and share experience on the four priority themes.

What is the media headline for this workstream?

A unique coalition of countries, business and civil society are working to develop effective ways of reaching development goals, in the context of the post-2015 agenda.

Specific deliverables based on ministerial steer

Deliverables should ensure that the Global Partnership genuinely embodies this political vision. Ideas include:

- Review progress on Busan commitments, highlight successes eg in transparency, address the gaps.
- Promote a limited set of political messages/actions from the four thematic areas identified.
- Expand private sector involvement in the GP to include several large, well-known

multinationals

- Expand the involvement of philanthropic foundations in the GP
- Ensure all Busan signatories, including the Emerging Economies, are involved in Global Partnership activities.

Opportunities / suggestions to engage the wide membership of the Global Partnership

Countries which host large multinational companies and philanthropic foundations should encourage them to join the GP.

Co-chairs and other ministers should use high-level political contacts to encourage the engagement of Emerging Economies.

Suggestions for lead speakers/panellists:

- We should have speakers who represent: the broad and unique membership of the GP; links with post-2015 process. Suggestions include:
 - Private sector / civil society: Mo Ibrahim (<http://www.moibrahimfoundation.org/>), Bill Gates (<http://www.thegatesnotes.com/>), Graca Machel (<http://www.whoswho.co.za/gra%C3%A7-machel-4606>)
 - Political leaders: UN Sec-Gen Ban Ki-Moon, Liberian President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, former President Lula

Other fora / organisations that might be involved, or with whom links should be made:

Strong links with other fora and meetings will be essential to achieve this vision. Some of the key organisations and events will be:

- High Level Panel on post-2015 development agenda
- UN General Assembly High Level Event on the MDGs, Sept '13
- UN Development Co-operation Forum
- G20 / G8
- BRICS annual meetings
- OECD DAC High Level Meeting

Evidence and analysis

- Evaluation of the Paris Declaration <http://pd-website.inforce.dk/content/content-en.html>
- European Report on Development 2013 http://www.erd-report.eu/erd/report_2012/documents/FullReportEN.pdf
- The Age of Choice: How are Developing Countries managing the New Aid Landscape? <http://www.odi.org.uk/sites/odi.org.uk/files/odi-assets/publications-opinion-files/8296.pdf>
- Forthcoming first Global Partnership monitoring report