

Thursday, 21 March 2019,  
18:30 to 20:00

Centro Cultural Matta, Embassy of Chile  
Tagle 2762 and Av. del Libertador  
Autonomous City of Buenos Aires  
Argentina

**Registration:**  
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## Second High-Level UN Conference on South-South Cooperation



**BAPA+40**  
UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE  
ON SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION  
Buenos Aires, Argentina, March 20-22, 2019

Ensuring Effective South-South Co-operation to  
Accelerate the Achievement of the 2030 Agenda  
Side Event Concept Note



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## Description

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda (AAAA) acknowledge the increased importance of South-South Cooperation (SSC) for eradicating poverty and achieving sustainable development. In order for SSC resources to be used for maximum impact, it is vital that they are used effectively. However, understanding that SSC differs fundamentally from North-South development assistance, there is a need to reflect on what effectiveness means in the SSC context.

In this setting, the side event will bring together Southern providers to discuss what effectiveness means to them and why they believe ensuring effectiveness in their cooperation efforts is essential. There will be particular focus on connecting effectiveness to the 2030 Agenda, highlighting how increased effectiveness of SSC can help to strengthen its contribution to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The side event will also touch on the ongoing work, spearheaded by the Government of Mexico, to develop an approach to assess the effectiveness of SSC. Building on existing effectiveness frameworks, this work looks specifically at how SSC activities are focused on delivering development results; how SSC activities involve the increasingly diverse set of development stakeholders working at country-level; and how SSC activities are transparent, undertaken in a way that allows citizens in both partner countries to hold decision makers accountable for how these resources are used.



## Objective and Outcome of the Side Event

The objectives of the side event are two-fold: (i) to begin a discussion of what effectiveness means in the SSC context and why effectiveness is important to achieve development goals; and (ii) to highlight the different ways Southern providers undertake SSC activities and the ways they are already ensuring effectiveness in these efforts. The aim is to increase dialogue around the effectiveness of SSC, as well as to encourage action among the SSC community in this area.



## Key Questions

1

What evidence exists around the importance of the effectiveness of SSC as a way to increase its contribution to the achievement of the 2030 Agenda?

2

What efforts are already being made by Southern providers to ensure and assess the effectiveness of their cooperation? What are the main challenges in these efforts?

3

Understanding that SSC entails use of public resources, what methods are being used track and make public these allocations, ensuring transparency and accountability?

## Format



The side event is being hosted by the Governments of Chile, Malaysia and Mexico, with the support of UNDP. The format is a moderated panel discussion, followed by an opportunity for questions from the audience. A cocktail reception will follow the formal event.

## Panellists



### Mr. Juan Pablo Lira Bianchi (TBC)

Executive Director, Chilean International Development Cooperation Agency (AGCI)

### Mr. Bambang Brojonegoro (TBC)

Minister of National Development Planning (BAPPENAS) of Indonesia

### Ms. Laura Elena Carrillo

Executive Director, Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation (AMEX-CID)

### Ms. Beverley Longid (TBC)

Co-Chair, CSO Partnership for Development Effectiveness

### Ms. Dineo Mathlako (TBC)

Head of the African Renaissance and International Cooperation Fund (ARF) Secretariat

### Mr. Martín Rivero (TBC)

Coordinator of South-South Cooperation and Social Cohesion, Ibero-American General Secretariat

### Ms. Andrea Vignolo (TBC)

Executive Director, Uruguayan Agency for International Cooperation (AUCI)

### Government of Malaysia (TBC)