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## **DAC Network on Development Evaluation**

### **DRAFT AGENDA OF THE FIFTH MEETING**

**To be held on 16 - 17 November 2006 at OECD, Château de la Muette**

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Thursday 16 November, starting at 9.30	Friday 17 November, starting at 9.30
<p><b>I. Opening Session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Chair's introduction and brief presentations by new members</li> <li>ii) Adoption of the Agenda</li> <li>iii) Adoption of Summary Record of 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting</li> <li>iv) Elections to the Bureau</li> </ul> <p><b>II. Presentation of the Draft Work Programme 2007/2008</b></p> <p><b>III. Joint Evaluations of Aid Effectiveness</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Joint Evaluations of aid effectiveness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Evaluation follow up to the Paris Declaration</li> <li>ii) Total ODA</li> <li>iii) Follow up to the General Budget Support evaluation</li> </ul> <p><i>11.00 Coffee Break</i></p> </li> <li>b) Promoting and coordinating joint evaluations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Harmonisation of evaluation practice</li> <li>ii) Sharing evaluation work plans and facilitating upstream planning</li> <li>iii) Evaluation Capacity Development</li> </ul> <p><i>13.00-14.30: Lunch</i></p> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Cont. IV Evaluation Standards and Norms</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>iv) Impact Evaluation</li> <li>v) Performance Assessment of Multilateral Institutions</li> <li>vi) Multilateral Evaluation Systems</li> </ul> <p><b>V. Evaluation Partnerships and Forthcoming Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) IDEAS Conference, May 2007</li> <li>ii) 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Table on Results, February 2007</li> <li>iii) Workshop on Evaluating Development Communication</li> </ul> <p><i>11.00 Coffee Break</i></p> <p><b>VI. Work Modalities and Budget</b></p> <p><b>VII. Other Business</b></p> <p><b>VIII. Informal discussion and exchange (continuing also over lunch with meeting expected to close at 15.00)</b></p>
<b>Thursday 16 November, Afternoon</b>	
<p><b>IV. Evaluation Standards and Norms</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Developing Guidance on Evaluating Conflict Prevention and Peace Building</li> <li>ii) Evaluating Global and Regional Partnership Programmes</li> <li>iii) Evaluation Quality Standards – follow up</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">.../...</p>	

## GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION

The meeting will be held at OECD Headquarters, 2 rue André Pascal, 75016 Paris. The meeting will be held in Room G of the Chateau on Thursday 16 November and in Room C in the Chateau on Friday 17 November. Interpretation will be provided for the first day and up to lunch on the second day.

Participants should confirm their participation with the Secretariat as soon as possible ([Nathalie.Bienvenu@oecd.org](mailto:Nathalie.Bienvenu@oecd.org)) to ensure that security badges are prepared in advance.

## ANNOTATIONS

### **Item I. Opening Session**

Following introductory comments by the Chair, new members of the Network will be invited to briefly present themselves. This will be followed by adoption of the Summary Record of the Fourth meeting and of the draft Agenda for the Fifth Meeting. Elections to the Bureau Chair and Vice-Chair positions will then be held. In advance of the meeting the Secretariat will circulate further information on the election process and nominated candidates.

### **Item II. Presentation of the Draft Work Programme 2007/2008**

The Secretariat will give an outline presentation of the draft Evaluation Network Work Programme for 2007-08. The presentation will include an update on the 2006 DAC Prioritisation Exercise and on the Review of the Structure of DAC Subsidiary Bodies.

Objective: To inform members about the structure of the draft work programme and to invite comments on its overall shape and content. Individual items contained within the draft work programme will be discussed in detail under Agenda items III and IV.

### **Item III (a) Joint Evaluations of Aid Effectiveness**

i) Joint Evaluation follow up to the Paris Declaration

Denmark, as team leader, will present outcomes of the discussions on evaluation at the July 2006 meeting of the Working Party on Aid Effectiveness and at the recently held Asia, Africa and Latin America Regional Workshops on Aid Effectiveness along with a proposed action plan for next steps leading up to the High Level Forum in 2008.

Objective: To update members on consultations with the WP-EFF and with partner countries, to agree on an action plan for next steps to 2008 and to invite members to contribute financing and/or to join the joint evaluation process.

ii) Joint Evaluation of Total ODA at the Country Level

Sweden, as team leader, will update members on the workshop held in Stockholm in October 2006 and on progress towards implementation of an evaluation of total ODA at the country level.

Objective: Information sharing and agreeing next steps.

iii) Follow up to the Joint Evaluation of General Budget Support

The UK will present suggestions for monitoring follow up to the joint evaluation of GBS.

Objective: To agree on a process to monitor follow-up action to the joint evaluation.

**Item III (b) Promoting and Coordinating Joint Evaluations**

i) Harmonisation of Evaluation practice

The Chair will present a brief paper for discussion on how evaluation practice may need to evolve in light of evolving development co-operation trends.

Objective: to discuss the need for further changes in evaluation practice in the context of the new aid architecture and the principles of the Paris Declaration.

ii) Sharing Evaluation work plans and facilitating upstream planning

The Secretariat will make a proposal on how to use the Network website to share evaluation plans and for upstream coordination of joint evaluation ideas. This item will also include a brief update on DEREc.

Objective: To agree how to use the Network website to share evaluation work plans and to coordinate members' joint evaluation proposals.

iii) Evaluation Capacity Development

Japan will present the findings of the 2006 member survey on evaluation capacity development. Members may wish to consider establishing a task team to take forward work, and to consider how evaluation capacity dimensions can be integrated across the work streams of the Network.

Objective: To review survey findings and agree on how to take work forward.

**Item IV Evaluation Standards and Norms**

i) Developing Guidance on Evaluating Conflict Prevention and Peace Building (CPPB)

Norway will update members on this joint work with the DAC Network on Conflict, Peace and Development Co-operation and on the plans for a workshop in Oslo on 30 November - 1 December 2006 to discuss the consultative draft paper: An Approach to DAC Guidance for Evaluating CPPB Activities.

Objective: To update members on plans for the Oslo workshop and to encourage members to participate.

ii) Evaluating Global and Regional Partnership Programmes (GRPPs)

The World Bank will present the outcomes of the workshop held on September 28-29 on developing suggested approaches/standards for evaluating global programmes.

Objective: To update members on the September workshop and to solicit members comments on suggested next steps.

iii) Evaluation Quality Standards – follow up

The draft evaluation quality standards was approved at the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the DAC Evaluation Network for a test phase for three years. Members are invited to comment on their use and experiences so far.

Objective: To discuss how the standards can be best applied and any emerging experiences/issues.

iv) Impact Evaluation

The World Bank will present the main outcomes of the workshop held on 15 November and suggest possible ways to take work forward.

Objective: To take stock of workshop results and to agree on next steps.

v) Performance Assessment of Multilateral Institutions

The Secretariat will outline work on this issue taking place within the framework of the Global Forum on Development, and present a draft agenda for an experts workshop on "Performance and coherence in Multilateral Development Finance" (preliminary title) which will take place in Berlin on 29-30 January 2007.

Objective: For information and comment.

vi) Multilateral Evaluation Systems

Denmark will present a document based on the experiences with two recent peer reviews of UN evaluation systems and propose future action for consideration.

Objective: For information and comments on next steps.

**Item V Evaluation Partnerships and Forthcoming Events**

i) IDEAS Conference, May 2007

The Chair of IDEAS will brief members on the plans for the next IDEAS conference which is scheduled for June 2007.

ii) 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Table on Results, February 2007

A third Roundtable for Results is under preparation by the DAC Joint Venture on Managing for Development Results (a sub-group of the DAC Working Party on Aid Effectiveness). The Secretariat will brief Network members on the latest developments.

iii) Workshop on Evaluating Development Communication

The OECD Development Centre will inform members about plans for a workshop in Bonn in March 2007 on evaluating development communication activities.

**Item VI Work Modalities and Budget**

Members will be invited to discuss work modalities and resource implications drawing on the outcomes of the discussions of individual work streams (see also sections II and V of the draft programme of work and budget).

Objective: To agree on modalities for more active engagement by members in joint work and how to fill resource gaps.

**Item VIII Informal discussion and exchange of information**

This agenda item is to facilitate further open exchange of information and ideas. Members are invited to raise issues and to keep presentations brief so as to enable interaction among all participants. The discussion is planned to continue over an informal sandwich lunch and the meeting to close around 15h00.

The session will include the following issues/topics: Harmonising Ex-Ante Poverty Impact Assessments presentation by the DAC POVNET task team leader on impact assessments; ECG work on the nexus between infrastructure and environment; Evaluation insights from the joint EC-France evaluation in Mali; Evaluation lessons from the Tsunami evaluation.