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[The main changes from the previous mandate are signalled in italics.]

1. The DAC Network on Poverty Reduction (POVNET) will:
 - Focus on the multidimensionality of poverty and on the relationship between inequality, economic growth and poverty reduction in developing countries.
 - Provide a forum for the exchange of experience and best practice *in implementing pro-poor growth policies, including in the areas of private sector development, agriculture, infrastructure, poverty impact assessment and risk and vulnerability.*
 - *Promote strategies and policies in areas such as social protection and social policy, employing the poor and trade-led growth to achieve sustainable poverty reduction.**
 - *Be the focal point in the DAC on investment for development, working in collaboration with the Investment Committee, and supporting the DAC's aid for trade agenda, as appropriate.*
 - Promote the pursuit of the Millennium Development Goals, *the practical implementation of the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness* and a central role for *pro-poor* growth and its determinants within the strategic framework of national Poverty Reduction Strategies.
2. *In focussing on the impediments to poor women's and men's fuller integration into the economy and society*, the POVNET will involve other stakeholders in its work, including partner countries and development organisations beyond the DAC Permanent Observers (World Bank, IMF, UNDP). It will interact with other DAC bodies, including the Networks on Gender Equality and on Environment and Development Co-operation, whose Chairs will be invited *ex officio* to take part, whenever justified by the agenda, in POVNET meetings. The POVNET will take account of ongoing research and interact with other OECD policy communities, as appropriate, to strengthen the development dimension of their work and promote policy coherence for development.
3. The POVNET will determine the appropriate modalities for implementing its work programme and design and carry through an effective dissemination strategy for each of its products.

*. To be amended as required following POVNET discussion on its work programme.

FOR REFERENCE

**CURRENT MANDATE OF THE DAC NETWORK ON POVERTY REDUCTION
(FROM DCD/DAC/POVNET(2003)2/REV1)**

4. The DAC Network on Poverty Reduction (POVNET) will:
 - Focus on the multidimensionality of poverty and on the relationship between inequality, economic growth and poverty reduction in developing countries;
 - Provide a forum for the exchange of experience and best practice on pro-poor growth, i.e. involving the poor in generating growth and benefiting from growth and globalisation;
 - Address, from this perspective, strategies and policies in areas such as infrastructure, agriculture, trade and investment capacity building, information and communication technology , the role of the private sector and public-private partnerships;
 - Promote the pursuit of the Millennium Development Goals and a central role for broad-based growth and its determinants within the strategic framework of national Poverty Reduction Strategies.

5. The POVNET will involve other stakeholders in its work, including partner countries and development organisations beyond the DAC Permanent Observers (World Bank, IMF, UNDP). It will interact with other DAC bodies, including the Networks on Gender Equality and on Environment and Development Co-operation, whose Chairs will be invited ex officio to take part, whenever justified by the agenda, in POVNET meetings. The POVNET will take account of ongoing research and interact with other OECD policy communities, as appropriate, to strengthen the development dimension of their work and promote policy coherence for development. The POVNET will determine the appropriate modalities for implementing its work programme.