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9-10 June 2010, OECD Conference Centre, La Muette, Paris

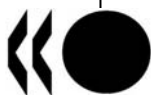
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The meeting will be held in the OECD Conference Centre at La Muette, Paris. Please note that the morning and afternoon sessions will begin at 9.30 and 14.30 respectively.

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Wednesday, 9 June 2010

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| <i>9h30</i> | <i>Introductory remarks</i> | |
| <i>9h45</i> | 1. Election of Chair and Vice-Chairs | |
| <i>9h50</i> | 2. Adoption of the Agenda | DCD/DAC/STAT/A(2010)1/REV2 |
| <i>9h55</i> | 3. Annex 2 of the DAC Statistical Reporting Directives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposals for amendments to the DAC List of ODA-eligible international agencies | DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)5 |
| <i>11h15</i> | <i>Coffee Break – 30 minutes</i> | |
| <i>11h45</i> | 4. Channels of Delivery – Categories and definitions | DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)4 |
| <i>13h00</i> | <i>Lunch – 90 minutes</i> | |
| <i>14h30</i> | 5. Untying <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation from Canada, Austria and Switzerland • Note from Secretariat • Corrigendum to the CRS Statistical Reporting Directives | DCD/DAC/STAT/RD(2010)1/RD4
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DCD/DAC(2007)39/FINAL/CORR3 |
| <i>15h15</i> | 6. Clarifications of Statistical Reporting Directives in the area of international peace operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reporting of bilateral participation in international peace operations (revisions to Directives and purpose codes)
Consolidated text on peace and security in Statistical Reporting Directives • Proposal from Belgium – purpose code 15250 • ODA coefficients associated with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNDPKO and • PBF • Update from Secretariat on other related issues | DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)8

DCD/DAC/STAT/RD(2010)1/RD2

DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)9
DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)3 |
| <i>16h00</i> | <i>Coffee Break – 30 minutes</i> | |
| <i>16h30</i> | 6. Clarifications of Statistical Reporting Directives <i>contd.</i> | |

- 17h15 7. Implementation of the new typology of aid
- Revised annual DAC Questionnaire: Modifications to the DAC Statistical Reporting Directives DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)11
 - Status of implementation and clarifications based on first experience

18h00 *Close*

Thursday, 10 June 2010

- 9h30 8. Reporting issues on 2008 flows
- DAC and CRS issues including Convergence DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)10
 - Multilaterals DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)7
 - Trust Funds DCD/DAC/STAT/RD(2010)1/RD3

11h00 *Coffee Break – 30 minutes*

- 11h30 9. Reporting of in-donor refugee costs DCD/DAC/STAT/RD(2010)1/RD1
- Presentation from Finland
- 12h15 10. Rio Markers – Update on the work of the Joint WP-STAT/ENVIRONET Task Team Oral update
- Proposals arising from the data quality review: corrections to historical data and revisions to definitions (biodiversity, climate change mitigation) DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)1
DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)12

- 12h45 11. Participatory Development/Good Governance Marker DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)6

13h00 *Lunch – 90 minutes*

- 14h30 12. Programme of Work and Budget 2011-2012 Oral update

- 14h45 13. Non-ODA flows – Export credit data
- Presentation from TAD/XCR Division

- 15h15 14. WP-STAT's role in promoting aid transparency

16h00 *Coffee Break – 30 minutes*

- 16h30 15. Update from Secretariat on technical support to members Oral update
- WP-STAT Collaborative tool (ClearSpace)
 - Databases – update

- 17h00 16. Any other business

17h30 *Close*

ANNOTATIONS

Item 1: Election of Chair and Vice Chairs

No new nominations were received by the Secretariat in response to its message of 10 March 2010 [ref. *STAT(2010)17*]. Therefore, members will be invited to endorse the candidature of the existing members of the Bureau as follows: Chair – Ms. Hedwig Riegler (Austria); Vice-Chairs – Mr. Hitoshi Shoji (Japan) and Ms. Catherine Graf (Switzerland).

Item 2: Adoption of the Agenda

Members will be invited to adopt the agenda DCD/DAC/STAT/A(2010)1/REV1.

Item 3: Annex 2 of the DAC Statistical Reporting Directives [DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)5]

Members will be invited to approve changes to the DAC List of ODA-eligible international organisations (Annex 2 of the DAC Statistical Reporting Directives) as summarised in Table 10 of the relevant document. In addition, the Secretariat will ask members to agree to a deadline of end February for submission of proposals (a month earlier than the current deadline of end March) in order to facilitate the significant workload involved in preparing this annual paper.

Item 4: Channels of Delivery – Categories and definitions [DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)4]

Further to discussions at the Vienna workshop of the WP-STAT and draft proposals circulated for comment in February 2010 [see DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)2], the Secretariat has prepared a paper consolidating members' comments on earlier work and proposing a definition of the channel of delivery and a revised channel of delivery classification for approval at the meeting. In addition, members will be asked to agree on an implementation date for the revised classification, to review proposed additional guidance regarding the NGO sub-channel categories and, finally, to discuss a number of practical issues relating to channel codes.

Item 5: Untying [DCD/DAC(2007)39/FINAL/CORR3; DCD/DAC/STAT/RD(2009)2/RD4; DCD/DAC/STAT/RD(2009)2/RD5]

Further to earlier discussions at the Vienna workshop and bilaterally with the Secretariat (STAT and PRG), Canada, Austria and Switzerland will present a paper on the applicability of the tying status concept to in-donor expenditures.

The corrigendum to the CRS Statistical Reporting Directives issued on OLIS in April 2010. It notes revisions to the CRS Reporting Directives with respect to changes in the coverage of the DAC Recommendation on Untying and other related text. The changes therein take effect from, and including, 2010 reporting on 2009 flows.

Item 6: Clarifications of Statistical Reporting Directives in the area of international peace operations [DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)3, DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)8; DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)9; DCDA/DAC/STAT/RD(2010)1/RD2]

Members will be invited to approve a revision to the Directives on the reporting of bilateral participation in international peace operations (revised paragraph 1.37 of the DAC Directives and revised CRS purpose codes 15220 and 15230) and a consolidated text on peace and security (revised paragraph 39 of the DAC Directives). Members will be invited to approve the proposed adjustment to the reporting of contributions

to the UNDPKO and the UN Peacebuilding Fund (PBF), to take immediate effect i.e. for reporting in 2010 on 2009 flows.

Belgium will present for members' consideration a proposal for a revision of the description and clarification of the CRS purpose code 15250 - *Land mine clearance*, so as to cover, not only the removal of anti-personnel landmines, but also explosive remnants of war (ERW) and to group all ODA-eligible activities related to landmines and ERW under this code to facilitate improved reporting in this field.

Item 7: Implementation of the new typology of aid [DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)11]

The Secretariat will present the revised DAC Questionnaire and related modifications to the DAC Statistical Reporting Directives. In addition, an oral report on the implementation of the new typology to date will be presented to the meeting. As the objective is full implementation of the new typology in 2011, the Chair will repeat earlier calls for members to assign priority to this work in the months ahead.

Item 8: Reporting issues on 2008 flows [DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)10; DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)7; DCD/DAC/STAT/RD(2010)1/RD3]

The Secretariat will address general reporting quality issues, as well as those specifically relating to DAC and CRS data, for members to consider. It will also seek members' feedback on the progress of convergence and reporting in CRS++ format.

The Secretariat will present for members' information also a status report on multilateral agencies' and non-DAC bilateral donors' reporting to the DAC.

The Secretariat will present a note on the reporting of contributions to multilateral agencies' trust funds. Discussion will be invited on the definition of multilateral flows and the classification of trust funds.

Item 9: Reporting of in-donor refugee costs [DCD/DAC/STAT/RD(2010)1/RD1]

Finland and the Secretariat will present a joint paper to the meeting regarding ODA reporting of in-donor refugee costs. The first part of the paper, from Finland, describes the statistical methodology they apply to counting these costs. The second part of the paper, from the Secretariat, invites other members to comment on Finland's methodology and share similar information. Members will be asked to consider whether they would like the Secretariat to advance with work in this area, specifically with regard to clarifying data and/or reporting instructions.

Item 10: Rio markers – Update on the work of the Joint WP-STAT/ENVIRONET Task Team [DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)1 –for background; DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)12]

The Secretariat will present an oral update on the work of the TT, with a focus on the developments which emerged from the February meeting and the data quality review.

Item 11: Participatory Development/ Good Governance [DCD/DAC/STAT(2010)6]

Members will be invited to approve a modification to the definition of the Participatory Development/Good Governance marker to take account of the revisions to the governance purpose codes in 2008.

Item 12: Programme of Work and Budget (PWB) 2011-2010

The Secretariat will brief the WP-STAT on the decisions reached regarding the DAC's PWB for the next biennium, with a focus on the impact on statistical output for this period.

Item 13: Non-ODA flows – Export credit data

The Export Credit Division of the Trade and Agriculture Directorate (TAD/XCR) will present an overview of members' reporting of new commitments of export credit financing, insurance and guarantees on CRS Form 1C and TAD/XCR uses of the data currently reportable on CRS Forms 3. The presentation will also address a planned initiative to streamline the reporting on export credits and discussions with the DAC Secretariat about the extent to which the initiative could also satisfy the needs of export credit data in DAC statistics. Future collaboration between the DAC Secretariat and TAD/XCR on questions related to the definitions and classifications of export credits will also be covered, including in the context of the PWB proposal on “improved statistics and understanding of non-ODA flows for development”. Members will be invited to express their views and indicate if they wish to actively participate in this definitional and methodological work.

Item 14: WP-STAT’s role in promoting transparency

The Secretariat will give a brief oral update on recent collaboration with aid transparency initiatives, including IATI and Cluster C of the WP-EFF.

An IATI signatory will present a summary of discussions at their workshop on 8 June 2010.

Item 15: Update from the Secretariat on technical support to members

The Secretariat will provide feedback on the use of ClearSpace, the WP-STAT collaborative tool, since its launch last year. In addition, the Secretariat will give a status report on the DAC and CRS database systems and will briefly highlight ongoing work undertaken to simplify and streamline these databases.

Item 16: Any other business

Issues for discussion under any other business will be invited from members.