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Workshop
at the margins of the Second High-level Meeting
of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation

Efforts and Accountability for Development Cooperation under the 2030 Agenda:
Moving towards Convergence?

29th November 2016, 09:00 am -1:00 pm

Hilton Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya

Background

The 2030 Agenda is meant to stipulate and direct global efforts towards sustainable development. The implementation of the 2030 Agenda and achieving the Sustainable Development Goals requires action by a multitude of actors in various policy fields and sectors to achieve common and interconnected global goals. Development cooperation in its various facets plays an important role in this regard. Key elements of that role and contributions remain to be fully conceptualized, however.

First, Southern economies have emerged as valuable partners in implementing the 2030 Agenda as well as financial contributors to development. Common objectives and concerns demonstrate a need for effective international cooperation between Southern and Northern partners. Cooperation efforts vary with regard to volume of development cooperation finance, transparency on operations, and reporting of monitoring, evaluation and finance systems. In 2015, the Addis Ababa Action Agenda (AAAA) of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development called for '*a holistic and forward-looking framework*' in order to strengthen the means of implementation for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and to ensure that actions committed to are '*implemented and reviewed in an appropriate, inclusive, timely and transparent manner*'. However, cooperation arrangements between mutual partners are still emerging and being conceptualized.

Second, the overall accountability framework for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda is still evolving. In particular, coherence between accountability mechanisms for development cooperation and the mechanisms for global accountability established under the High-level Political Forum (HLPF) have yet to emerge, and linkages have yet to be fully established. The HLPF has been given a '*central role in overseeing a network of follow-up and review processes*' across policy fields and sectors at national, regional & global levels. Some options for linking development cooperation and its accountability mechanisms with the 2030 Agenda have been proposed and discussed ([GPEDC](#), [DCF](#)), but they have yet to be fully reflected from an academic perspective. Time is also ripe to draw some lessons from the field of development cooperation for improving global accountability for the 2030 Agenda.

The workshop will bring together stakeholders from academia, think tanks as well as selected practitioners to present their latest research and experiences with a view to explore room for convergence and commonalities around the two themes outlined above.

Guiding Questions

This workshop aims to make a contribution on discussions around the efforts and accountability mechanisms for development cooperation in the context of the 2030 Agenda by exploring the potential for convergence of stakeholders around these issues.

Panel I: Specifically, this panel asks whether a convergence of Southern and Northern development reporting is possible in the context of the 2030 Agenda. The topic shall be discussed referring to development cooperation concepts, convergence and harmonization schemes, and governance structures from various fields, including with reference to experiences from the field of development cooperation and beyond. Guiding questions are:

How can development cooperation move towards a joint framework between Southern and Northern providers and discrepancies be eliminated? How can cooperation to achieve mutual goals between partners be conceptualized?

Panel II: This panel is concerned with the accountability principles and mechanisms that will guide assistance, in particular from the field of development cooperation, towards achieving the 2030 Agenda. Contributions that touch upon the definition of accountability and its principles, the transformation of the principle of mutual accountability in the context of the 2030 Agenda, as well as any contributions concerning the linkages between accountability mechanisms for development cooperation and their role in the global framework for the 2030 Agenda are strongly encouraged. Guiding questions are:

What are the options for making the accountability framework for the 2030 Agenda more effective? How does development cooperation contribute in that regard, and how can accountability for that contribution be ensured?

Expected Outcomes

The objective of the workshop is to bring together researchers and experts from partnering organizations and Alumni of the MGG Academy as well as to provide an information hub for the interested public. This is a unique opportunity to openly discuss joint projects across organizations and to provide insights on related themes.

Hence, the workshop is especially directed towards stakeholders and researchers working in development cooperation, reaching from governmental representatives and delegates of international organizations, United Nations staff, think-tanks and civil societies. Additionally, participation in the workshop is open to the interested public.

Outcomes and main messages from the workshop discussions will be summarized in a report, which will share identified key messages on common and conflicting priorities regarding the future of (mutual) accountability and international development cooperation.

Programme

08:45 h	Registration, Coffee and Tea
09:00 h	<p><u>Opening</u> Dr. Stephan Klingebiel, Head of Department “Bi- and Multilat. Dev. Cooperation”, German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE), Bonn, Germany</p> <p><u>Setting the Frame</u> Prof. Dr. Xiaoyun Li, College of Humanities and Development, China Agricultural University, Beijing, China, and Chairperson of NeST</p>
09:20 h	Opening remarks
09:20	Michael Tröster , Deputy Head of Division, Division 100: “Policy issues of bilateral development cooperation”, Federal Ministry for Economic Co-operation and Development (BMZ), Bonn, Germany
09:30 h	Panel I: International Cooperation Efforts and Experiences
09:30 h	<p><u>Opening: Panel Chair</u> Prof. Dr. Jorge Pérez Pineda, Senior Researcher, Instituto Mora, Mexico City, Mexico</p>
09:35 h	<p><u>Presentations (10min each)</u> Prof. Dr. Milindo Chakrabarti, Visiting Fellow, Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), New Delhi, India, together with Dr. Stephan Klingebiel, Head of Department “Bi- and Multilat. Dev. Cooperation” & Isabel Mank, Researcher, German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE), Bonn, Germany</p> <p>Dr. Jin Wu, Executive Director, College of Humanities and Development Studies, China Agricultural University, Beijing, China</p> <p>Gerardo Bracho, Senior Expert Fellow, Käte Hamburger Kolleg / Centre for Global Cooperation Research, Duisburg, Germany</p>
10:05h	<p><u>Discussants (5min each)</u> Andi Hakim, Head of SDGs Office of the Vice President State Secretary, Jakarta, Indonesia</p> <p>Dr. Ling Jin, Associate Research Fellow, China Institute of International Studies (CIIS), Beijing, China</p>
10:20 h	<u>Discussion with the audience</u>
10:50 h	Coffee, Tea and Snacks

11:15 h	Panel II: Accountability for Development Cooperation under the 2030 Agenda
11:15 h	<u>Opening: Panel Chair</u> Gerardo Bracho , Senior Expert Fellow, Käte Hamburger Kolleg / Centre for Global Cooperation Research, Duisburg, Germany
11:20 h	<u>Presentations (10min each)</u> Heiner Janus , Researcher, Department "Bi- and Multilateral Dev. Cooperation", German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE), Bonn, Germany Dr. Neissan Besharati , NeST Africa coordinator, South African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA), Johannesburg, South Africa André de Mello e Souza , Coordinator of International Cooperation, Institute for Applied Economic Research (IPEA), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
11:50 h	<u>Discussants (5min each)</u> Fred Twesiime , Principal Economist, Ugandan Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, Kampala, Uganda Roger Mugisha , Research Fellow, Institute of Policy Analysis and Research-Rwanda (Ipar, Rwanda), Kigali, Rwanda Dr. Murad Ali , Postdoctoral Fellow, Dept. „Bi- and Multilateral Dev. Cooperation“, German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE), Bonn, Germany
12:05 h	<u>Discussion with the audience</u>
12:40 h	Wrap-up Dr. Stephan Klingebiel , Head of Department "Bi- and Multilat. Dev. Cooperation", German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE), Bonn, Germany Prof. Dr. Xiaoyun Li , College of Humanities and Development, China Agricultural University, Beijing, China, and Chairperson of NeST
13:00 h	End of the Workshop Light lunch will be provided.

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Logistics

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Participation and registration

If you wish to participate, we kindly ask you to register until 25th November via e-mail to Madeleine Meinhardt (Ms madeleine.meinhardt@die-gdi.de).

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