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## Summary, next steps, timeline

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Inception and first training workshop on “Strengthening Macro-Micro Modelling Capacities to Assess Development Support Measures and Strategies in Uganda”, Entebbe, 19 October, 2011.

# Revisiting the objectives

- Achieved:
  - Key policy questions presented and discussed.
  - Integrated macro-micro modelling framework described.
  - Results of recently completed projects on MDG financing strategies and real-time simulation results presented and discussed.
  - Key aspects of international support measures reviewed.
  - Stock of data availability taken.
- Pending:
  - More discussion on institutional arrangements under which capacity building activities will be undertaken.
  - Agree on future data collection/estimations (“what” and “who”).
  - Agree on a timeline.

# Key questions

- Will reform policies recommended in previous MDG analysis (or redefined MDG strategies) be feasible if:
  - there is a global economic crisis?
  - Uganda faces external adversities (high food and energy prices, drops in export demand or declines in worker remittances)?
  - oil revenues do not start to flow as expected?
- Will it help if potential development impacts of existing international support measures to LDCs are maximized to accelerate progress towards development goals?
  - enhanced official development assistance (ODA)
  - preferential access to foreign markets

# Scope for strengthening capacities

- Assess support measures and strategies that contribute to achievement of development goals
- Design strategies to anticipate and respond to global economic crises and other external adversities to avoid future setbacks in human development
- More in general, create confidence among policymakers to design policies and/or request financial support from the international community to support development
- If the MDGs and/or graduation from the LDC category were deemed unattainable, assess different development strategies and estimate further resource requirements associated to them under different scenarios.

# Key resources

- [http://www.un.org/en/development/desa/policy/capacity/projects\\_mdgs.shtml](http://www.un.org/en/development/desa/policy/capacity/projects_mdgs.shtml)
  - Look for Entebbe workshop, Oct. 2011
  - Presentations will be uploaded (by next week)
- Key bibliography
  - For estimations to be carry out by Ugandans, will be sent right after workshop (?)
  - Background readings will be sent for preparation before next workshop
- Permanent technical backstopping and data gathering through e-mail, video conferences, websites.

# Next steps (1-5)

1. Scoping mission and first workshop
2. Consolidation of “technical unit” (final arrangements)  
“when” and “who”
3. Disaggregation of Social Accounting Matrix, updating and improvement of existing dataset  
Base year: 2007/08?  
New SAM or 2007 IFPRI SAM? Reality check.  
What disaggregation?  
Computation of some elasticities? Reality check?
4. Calibration of MAMS for Uganda with new dataset
5. Workshop 2: MAMS (and ISIM-MAMS), updating of data set, initial runs of scenarios

# Next steps (6-10)

**6. Final fine-tuning of MAMS for Uganda**

**7. Workshop 3: implementation of policy simulations and elaboration of policy notes/briefs, microsimulations training**

**8. Implementation of policy simulations and elaboration of policy notes/briefs**

**Policy briefs in what areas?**

**9. Workshop 4: presentation/discussion of policy notes/briefs, follow-up steps, uses to support policymaking, and policy dialogue.**

**10. Policy dialogues; (more) presentations that provide inputs for decision making, and identification of new demands for policy simulations that are deemed useful by the Government.**

# Last hands on data session

**9:30 – 12:00**

**Objective:**

- conduct reality check on 2007 SAM**
- based on the above, decide on what SAM will be used**
- what disaggregation?**
- take stock of data:**
  - what data from previous project can be used?**
  - what new data need to be compiled?**
  - what new estimations will be carried out?**
  - make requests (distribute list)**



# Time schedule (deadlines)

Step	Task	Original Deadline	Comment
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>Workshop 1: Project inception</b>	<b>17-19 Oct 2011</b>	<b>completed</b>
<b>Step 2</b>	Formation of technical unit	31 Oct 2011	
<b>Step 3</b>	Completion of data collection, SAM construction Reality check and estimation of key elasticities	31 Dec, 2011  (?)	Depending on what SAM is used
<b>Step 4</b>	Calibration of MAMS with new dataset	29 Feb, 2012	
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>Workshop 2: MAMS: what is it? How is it calibrated/updated? How are policy simulations run?</b>	<b>27-29 March 2012</b>	9

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<b>Step 6</b>	Final fine-tuning of MAMS for Uganda	30 April 2012	
<b>Step 7</b>	<b>Workshop 3: implementation of policy simulations and elaboration of policy notes/briefs, microsimulations training</b>	<b>26-28/29 June 2012</b>	
<b>Step 8</b>	Implementation of policy simulations and elaboration of policy notes/briefs	30 Sept 2012	
<b>Step 9</b>	<b>Workshop 4: presentation and discussion of policy notes/briefs, follow-up steps, uses to support policymaking, policy dialogue.</b>	<b>24-25 Oct 2012</b>	
<b>Step 10</b>	Policy dialogues; identification of new demands for policy making	?	10

- Questions? Comments?

THANK YOU!