# Economic and Social Council

2014 High-level Meeting of the Development Cooperation Forum (DCF)
New York, 10-11 July 2014
Conference Room 2 (CB)

“Bringing the future of development cooperation to post-2015”

## Programme

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<td><strong>Trends and progress in international development cooperation</strong></td>
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<td>• Introduction of the Report of the Secretary-General, by Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations</td>
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<td>• Prof. Robert Chambers, Institute for Development Studies, University of Sussex</td>
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<td>The session will set the scene for the discussions at the 2014 DCF and its potential contributions to the design and implementation of a post-2015 global development agenda, building on the extensive two-year DCF preparatory process.</td>
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change to ensure that all actors effectively support a post-2015 development agenda that is unified in its focus, on poverty eradication and sustainable development, and universal in its form, applying to all countries. It will focus on how to ensure an effective balance of development cooperation directed, respectively, at traditional development issues and global challenges. It will also focus on how the role of governments is changing in a world where development cooperation is about much more than governments – North-South and South-South – and about much more than aid. The session will draw upon the findings of the DCF High-level Symposiums.

Discussion questions

- What should be the defining features of development cooperation in a post-2015 setting?
- What is the role of development cooperation in supporting the implementation of a unified and universal set of goals applying to all countries?
- How will the division of labour between the different development actors look like in a post-2015 setting, given their different strengths?
- What steps can be taken to strengthen national ownership and leadership, synergies and coordination in a multi-stakeholder development landscape?

Moderator: Ms. Amina J. Mohammed, UN Secretary-General’s Special Adviser on Post-2015 Development Planning (introduction to post-2015 process)

Special Presentation:

- Mr. Pio Wennubst, Assistant Director-General of the Swiss Agency for Development Cooperation, Switzerland, presenting key messages of the DCF Switzerland High-level Symposium on “Development Cooperation in a Post-2015 Era: Sustainable Development for All” (question 1)

Presentations by panellists:

- Mr. Manish Bapna, Executive Vice President and Managing Director, World Resources Institute (question 2)
- H.E. Mr. Mawussi Djossou Semodji, Minister of Planning, Togo (question 3)
- H.E. Mr. Susil Premajayantha, Minister of Environment and Renewable Energy, Sri Lanka (question 4)

Lead discussants:

- Ms. Shamshad Akhtar, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
- H.E. Ms. Helen Laverdiere, Member of Parliament, Canada

Moderated interactive discussion

Lunch break (Side events 1:15 pm – 2:30 pm)

- Multi-stakeholder solutions for a post-2015 World: Messages from the Mexico High-level Meeting of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (Governments of Mexico and the Netherlands)
- Getting the right information into the right hands: transparency and open data for the post-2015 development agenda (Publish What You Fund, Development Initiatives, Open Aid Partnerships, UNDP)
- What women get: promoting transparency and accountability in financing for
gender equality and women’s rights, following on the 2012 DCF Vienna Policy Dialogue on Gender Equality (AWID, OECD Gendernet, UNWOMEN)

- A renewed global partnership for development: concrete implications for development cooperation in support of Least Developed Countries (Switzerland and OHRLS)

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To support an ambitious post-2015 development agenda, efforts to mobilize additional resources will need to be continued and scaled-up. The total volume of ODA is increasingly small compared to other sources of development cooperation. Yet, ODA will play a critical role in supporting a post-2015 development agenda. Countries will continue to need ODA support, though the kind of support they need will differ. This session discusses why a post-2015 development agenda calls for more ODA and how ODA can best leverage other resources to ensure the greatest possible development impact.

**Discussion questions**

- Why do we need more and better ODA in a world where ODA is increasingly outshined by other sources of development finance?
- With a post-2015 agenda aimed at addressing global challenges and the unfinished business of the MDGs, how can we ensure that aid goes where it is most needed?
- What roles will ODA have to play in future to meet the demands of different countries?
- Where and how can ODA have the greatest impact in leveraging other sources of development cooperation?

**Moderator:** Mr. Stéphane Dujarric, Spokesman of the Secretary-General

**Special Presentation:**

- Ms. Judith Randel, Executive Director, Development Initiatives, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

**Presentations by panellists:**

- H.E. Mr. Fulbert Amoussouga Géro, Minister at the Presidency of the Republic in charge of coordinating policies and implementation of the MDGs and SDGs, Benin *(question 1)*
- Mr. Erik Solheim, Chair, Development Assistance Committee, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development *(question 2)*
- Prof. José Antonio Alonso, Universidad Complutense of Madrid *(question 3)*
- H.E. Mr. Nguyen The Phuong, Vice Minister of Planning and Investment, Viet Nam *(question 4)*

**Lead discussant:**

- Ms. María Eugenia Casar, Associate Administrator, United Nations Development Programme

**Moderated interactive discussion**
South-South cooperation post-2015

Session 3

“Learning from South-South cooperation in looking to the future”

South-South cooperation has become much more prominent in the past decade, as many Southern countries have taken on greater roles in the global economy. South-South cooperation has its own contours, principles, approaches and practices. It has shown its unique strengths to support the development of partner countries and also created conditions enabling private flows in support of development. Lessons learned from South-South cooperation can be valuable for the reflection on the future of development cooperation at large. The session will provide an opportunity for key partners in South-South cooperation to share with other stakeholders their perspectives on South-South cooperation. It will also benefit from the ongoing work of the Core Group of Southern partners, for which the DCF serves as a platform.

Discussion questions

- What and where can South-South cooperation do best and why?
- What are the three or four most important elements that make South-South cooperation particularly effective and relevant?
- Where is the government-to-government South-South cooperation most needed in order to create an enabling environment for strengthening domestic productive capacity and building the domestic revenue base?

Moderator: Ms. Afaf Konja, Spokeswoman of the President of the General Assembly

Special Presentations:

- H.E. Mr. Aiqing Fang, Vice Minister, Ministry of Commerce, China
- Mr. Martin Rivero, Executive Director, Uruguayan Agency of International Cooperation

Presentations by panellists:

- Ms. Maria Andrea Alban, Director, International Cooperation, Ministry of External Relations, Colombia (question 1)
- H.E. Mr. Fernando Jose de Abreu, Director, Brazilian Cooperation Agency (question 2)
- H.E. Mr. Mohammed Al-Jasser, Minister of Economy and Planning, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (question 3)
- Mr. Mehmet Süreyya Er, Vice President, Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TIKA), Turkey, delivering messages of the meetings of the Core Group of Southern partners (question 3)

Lead discussants:

- Mr. Kumar Tuhin, Joint Secretary of Economic Relations and Development Partnership, Ministry of External Affairs, India
- Mr. Thomas Fues, Head of Training Department, German Development Institute
- Mr. Paulo Esteves, Supervisor, BRICS Policy Center

Moderated interactive discussion
A renewed global partnership for development

9:00 am –11:30 am  
Conference Room 2 (CB)

Session 4  
“How a renewed global partnership for development could work in practice”
The global partnership for development will have to be strengthened to support implementation of a post-2015 development agenda. This is critical not only to ensure delivery on existing commitments, but also to address new and emerging challenges and opportunities and to engage the increasingly diverse group of development actors in a more coherent, effective and legitimate manner. This session will review how a renewed global partnership for development could work in practice. It will begin with introductory presentations, and then participants will move into three parallel dialogues on different dimensions of a renewed global partnership for development.

Special Presentations
• H.E. Mr. Abrehem Tekeste, State Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Ethiopia, delivering messages from the DCF Ethiopia High-level Symposium on “A renewed global partnership for a post-2015 era”
• H.E. Ms. Paulette A. Bethel, Chef de Cabinet of the President of the General Assembly, delivering messages from the Joint United Nations General Assembly/ECOSOC Partnerships Forum

PARALLEL DIALOGUES

DIALOGUE A: What should be the key features of a renewed global partnership for development?

Moderator: H.E. Mr. Gyan Chandra Acharya, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States

Panellists:
• H.E. Mr. Ashni Singh, Minister of Finance, Guyana
• Mr. Klaus Rüdischhauser, Deputy Director-General, Directorate-General for Development and Cooperation – EuropeAid, European Commission

Lead Discussant:
• Mr. Fabio Cassese, Deputy Director-General of Development Cooperation, Italy

Moderated interactive discussion

DIALOGUE B: How can a renewed global partnership for development advance gender equality and empowerment of women?

Moderator: Mr. John Hendra, Assistant Secretary-General for Policy and Programme, UN WOMEN

Panellists:
• H.E. Mr. Claver Gatete, Minister of Finance and Economic Planning, Rwanda
• Ms. Chii Akporji, Senior Advisor to the Coordinating Minister for the Economy and Minister of Finance, Nigeria
• Ms. Kate Gilmore, Deputy Executive Director, United Nations Population Fund

Lead Discussant:
• Ms. Hakima Abbas, Director of Programs, AWID

Moderated interactive discussion
| CR6 North Lawn Building | DIALOGUE C: How can multi-stakeholder partnerships best complement a renewed global partnership for development?  
**Moderator:** Mr. Bruce Jenks, Senior Advisor, Dag Hammerskjöld Foundation  
**Panellists:**  
- H.E. Mr. Arsenio M. Balisacan, Minister of Socioeconomic Planning, Director-General of National Economic and Development Authority, Philippines  
- Mr. Tony Pipa, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Policy, Program and Learning, USAID  
- Dr. Margaret Chan, Director-General, World Health Organization  
**Lead Discussant:**  
- Ms. Riikka Laatu, Deputy Director General of Department for Development Policy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Finland  
**Moderated interactive discussion** |

**Global monitoring and accountability for development cooperation post-2015**

11:30 am – 1:00 pm  
**Session 5**  
**“Ensuring the quality and effectiveness of development cooperation”**  
Actors in development cooperation use a range of measures to maximize their effectiveness and impact, and to be accountable to each other. This session will examine how accountability mechanisms help to ensure effective development cooperation by promoting positive behaviour change among providers and recipients of development cooperation. The session forms part of the DCF’s efforts to identify ways to enhance national and global monitoring and accountability for effective development cooperation in a post-2015 era.  

**Discussion questions**  
- What has worked in different contexts to make development cooperation effective, coherent and accountable, and why?  
- How can these lessons be usefully featured in a post-2015 development agenda?  
- How can accountability mechanisms at local, national, regional and global levels be used to produce and incentivize positive behaviour change among providers and recipients of development cooperation?  

**Moderator:** Mr. Danny Sriskandarajah, Secretary-General, CIVICUS  
**Special Presentations:**  
- Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations, introducing the 3rd DCF Survey on Global Accountability  
- H.E. Mr. Juan Manuel Valle Pereña, Executive Director for Mexican Agency of International Development Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mexico delivering key messages from the First High-level Meeting of the GPEDC  

**Presentations by panellists:**  
- Mr. Anthony Smith, Director of International Relations, Department for International Development, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland *(question 1)*  
- H.E. Mr. Toikeusse Albert Mabri, Minister of Planning and Development, Côte d’Ivoire *(question 2)*
- H.E. Ms. Emilia Pires, Minister of Finance, Timor-Leste *(question 3)*  
- Mr. Josef Moser, Secretary-General, International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions *(question 3)*

**Lead discussants:**
- Ms. Nomveliso Nyukwana, Mayor of Emalahleni Municipality, South Africa  
- H.E. Mr. Felix Mutati, Member of Parliament, Zambia

**Moderated interactive discussion**

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<td>- People-powered accountability: innovative ideas for monitoring progress beyond 2015 <em>(CIVICUS, Social Watch, North-South Institute)</em></td>
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<td>- Empowering countries through evaluation: evaluation as a country level tool for the new development agenda <em>(UN Evaluation Group)</em></td>
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<td>- The local dimension of development cooperation <em>(UCLG Global Task Force of Local and Regional Governments and UNDP-ART)</em></td>
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<td>- Strengthening Country Results Framework <em>(Building Blocks on results and accountability led by Governments of Bangladesh and Switzerland)</em></td>
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To ensure that the post-2015 development agenda leads to tangible and sustainable development results, it needs to be underpinned by effective measures to monitor progress and to engage the different actors and hold them accountable to one another. This session will identify key features and elements of a global monitoring and accountability architecture for development cooperation commitments.

**Discussion questions**

- How should commitments related to international development cooperation be reviewed at the global level in an open, transparent and truly inclusive manner?  
- What would be the purposes and features of a global monitoring and accountability framework for development cooperation?  
- What is needed to ensure such a framework supports the renewed global partnership for development and an enabling environment that allows engagement of all development cooperation actors?  
- How could such a framework be designed to build on existing accountability mechanisms at all levels?

**Moderator:** H.E. Mr. Maged Abdelaziz, Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Africa

**Special Presentation:**

- H.E. Mr. Thomas Silberhorn, Parliamentary State Secretary to the Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany, delivering key findings of the DCF Germany High-level Symposium on “Accountable and Effective development cooperation in a post-2015 era”
### Presentations by panellists:
- H.E. Mr. Mwigulu Lameck Nchemba, Deputy Minister of Finance, Tanzania *(question 1)*
- H.E. Mr. Abul Maal A. Muhith, Minister of Finance, Bangladesh *(question 2)*
- H.E. Mr. Geoffrey Ekanya, Member of Parliament and Shadow Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, Uganda *(question 3)*
- Ms. Brenda Killen, Deputy Director, Development Co-operation Directorate, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development *(question 4)*

### Lead discussant:
- Mr. Martin Chungong, Secretary-General, Inter-Parliamentary Union

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<td><strong>Moderator:</strong> Mr. Henry Bonsu, International Broadcaster, Ghana</td>
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