



Briefing

DCF Germany High-level Symposium

"Accountable and effective development cooperation in a post-2015 era"

United Nations Headquarters, New York, CR 6, North Lawn Building Friday, 4 April 2014, 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

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On 20-21 March 2014, the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the Government of Germany jointly convened the DCF Germany High-Level Symposium on "Accountable and effective development cooperation in a post-2015 era". The Symposium brought together the range of stakeholders to examine key concepts of accountability and quality and effectiveness in development cooperation, with a specific focus on how these concepts could be usefully featured in the design and implementation of the post-2015 development agenda. It also explored how to engage the increasingly diverse group of development actors in a renewed global partnership for development, in a more coherent, effective and legitimate manner.

The event built on two previous High-level Symposiums, in Ethiopia and Switzerland, and served as the final preparatory symposium for the high-level meeting of the Development Cooperation Forum (DCF) of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, to take place in New York on 10-11 July 2014. It also built on the DCF analytical work, including a study by Mr. José Antonio Ocampo and Ms. Natalie Gómez Arteaga on "Accountability for development cooperation". The briefing on 31 March 2014 will provide an overview of the key messages emanating from the DCF Germany High-level Symposium, with a focus on messages of immediate relevance to the work of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals and the Expert Committee on Sustainable Development Financing.

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. H.E. Mr. Heiko Thoms, Deputy Permanent Representative of Germany to the United

Nations in New York

Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, UNDESA, Secretary-General for the International Conference on Small Island Developing States

Prof. José Antonio Ocampo, Professor of Professional Practice in International and Public Affairs, Columbia University

9:30 –10:00 a.m. Interactive discussion

Moderator Mr. Navid Hanif, Director, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, UNDESA