

## ***Submission to the Outcome Document for the Third International Conference on Financing for Development***

### **How to integrate and implement the three pillars of sustainability, post-2015 and finance**

- *The multilateral system should create systematic entry points and partnership processes that encourage and engage with philanthropy networks, at the country and global levels.*
- *Governments should create an enabling environment for both domestic and international philanthropy so that this sector can flourish and contribute to its maximum potential (see below for that potential).*
- *Philanthropy should become informed about relevant global and national development goals and targets, both to understand the external context better, and to unlock opportunities for leverage of the activities of business and government and opportunities for partnerships. ***This includes the systematic reporting of philanthropic activities so that funding is more strategic and with less duplication of effort.****

### **Why philanthropic finance matters**

Philanthropy is one of the last sources of funding in the world that contributes to the global development framework that isn't already earmarked. Most philanthropic funding is directed to supporting individual and collective human initiative and ingenuity, an expression of belief that the answers to societies' toughest challenges lie not in one institution or set of actors, but in the vast array of individuals and institutions who make up those societies, who represent different beliefs and perspectives and approach the same problems with different solutions. In order to support these initiatives and ongoing ingenuity, including the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and associated financing, the Post-2015 Partnership Platform for Philanthropy has been established.

The Post-2015 Partnership Platform for Philanthropy is a vehicle for partnerships in the global development space to flourish. Through the expertise of implementing partners Foundation Center, Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors and UNDP, several activities will be executed which will contribute to a greater understanding by the philanthropy sector of the post-2015 agenda as well as an understanding by the UN system, governments and civil society of the role and potential of the philanthropy sector in order to foster more and better partnerships. Activities include planning workshops in Kenya, Colombia, Ghana, Indonesia and Cambodia which will convene philanthropy, governments and the UN on topics important to reaching the goals, and [SDGfunders.org](http://SDGfunders.org) which will map philanthropic and aid data to the MDGs and SDGs along with a community center for sustained discussion on partnerships, opportunities and challenges in meeting the new set of goals post-2015.

Please also refer to the Paper "Philanthropy as an Emerging Contributor to Development Cooperation", UNDP, July 2014.

[http://www.undp.org/content/dam/undp/documents/partners/civil\\_society/UNDP-CSO-philanthropy.pdf](http://www.undp.org/content/dam/undp/documents/partners/civil_society/UNDP-CSO-philanthropy.pdf)

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