

Minutes
Global Programme Coordination Teleconference
19 June 2012, 14.30CET

Attendance:

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UNDP: Tim Clairs, Dina Hajj

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Agenda:

1. Approval of minutes from teleconference held on 12 June 2012.
2. Potential implication of the EC contribution on planning and reporting.
3. Draft form for assessing challenges for GP implementation.
4. AOB.

1. Approval of minutes from teleconference held on 12 June 2012.

The participants will come back with comments, if any on the draft minutes circulated.

2. Potential implication of the EC contribution on planning and reporting.

The Secretariat gave an update from the meeting in Brussels on 15 June, which was attended by from EC, MPTF Office, UN Agencies and the Secretariat to discuss the EC grant of EUR 10 million.

EC treats the contribution as a project and not as a fund. EC does not earmark the funds, but leaves this responsibility to PB. The funds will likely be paid in instalments with a minimum of 70% expenditure delivery required prior to a subsequent instalment. Certification of expenditure is not required. At the meeting the Secretariat suggested a large first instalment of 90% of the total contribution, while EC mentioned four instalments (each EUR 2.5 million).

The participants agreed that clarifications are needed in view of;

- a) Source of funding from EC.
- b) Modality of instalments. Advantage if EC accepts a first up-front instalment of 90%.
- c) Delivery rate required prior to EC's approval of subsequent instalment.

It is not clear whether the delivery rate applies to the expenditures (commitments and disbursements) of the total Global Programme budget or to the EC grant only. Since the Global Programme budget, including the new contribution from EC, is channelled and managed as one pot by the MPTF Office, it was considered possible to track the delivery rate at a total budget level, but not for the EC grant only. Further, it won't be feasible to identify the EC funds spent for support to the Global Programme versus support to the National Programme. On the contrary, this is doable for the total budget.

The Secretariat was tasked to follow up on these points with the EC and report back to the Group at the next concall.

3. Draft form for assessing challenges for Global Programme implementation.

A draft form was suggested by the Secretariat as a tool for capturing certain aspects of the Global Programme implementation. (See attachment). The form is developed to address areas which is not caught in the information requested for the Global Programme semi-/ annual reports and could periodically be sent to the Management Group for inputs. It can assist decision making on the design, resourcing and delivery of programme by time. The form is partly based on the information requested in the National Programme reporting template, hence supports the Global–National Programme linkages.

It was agreed that the agencies will come back with comments on the form by 22 June and it needs to be ensured that it is not an overlap or seen as a replacement of the MPTF annual report form.

(The form is enclosed).

6. AOB.

The Secretariat suggested to not use the Project Tracker for the coming semi-annual Global Programme Report until further review and instead collect the needed information by using a form to be circulated in due course.

The next Global Programme Coordination concall will be held on **Tuesday, 3 July, 14.30 CET.**