IATF Technical Discussion
on a future international metric for development finance
Total Official Support for Sustainable Development (TOSSD)
with OECD and UN-DESA
on the margins of the UN High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) on Sustainable Development

Tuesday 19 July, 8.30-11am UNHQ CR5
Breakfast served at the Vienna Café

The discussion will enable members of the UN Inter-Agency Task Force on Financing for Development to provide targeted feedback on the recently launched “Compendium” describing the proposed aims, scope, and emerging features and statistical parameters of the TOSSD measurement framework. Representatives from the OECD and UN-DESA Secretariats will lead the exchange and elaborate on questions and issues selected by IATF members. The outcomes will be documented and integrated into subsequent iterations of the TOSSD compendium that will be developed over the course of 2016 through successive global consultation processes. They will also be an input to the Task Force’s 2017 report and online annex. The final version of the “TOSSD Compendium” will be submitted for international endorsement.

AGENDA:

8.30 – 8.55 Breakfast (Vienna Café)
8.55 – 9.25 Presentation by the OECD: Why develop a “TOSSD Compendium”? What are the emerging components of the measurement framework? (based on questions/areas selected by IATF members - see guiding questions below)
9.25 – 9.45 Comments by Discussants: Homi Kharas (Brookings Institutions), Jose Antonio Ocampo (Columbia University)
9.45 – 10.45 Open discussion moderated by UN-DESA
10.45 – 11.00 Next steps and conclusions (wrap-up)

We invite you to RSVP (including 1-2 questions or areas for discussion either from the TOSSD Compendium (see list below) or other questions) by Monday 11 July to Rachel Morris, OECD (Rachel.morris@oecd.org) and Oliver Schwank, UN-DESA (schwank@un.org). Kindly indicate whether you will attend in person, via audio or video link.

Attachment: TOSSD COMPENDIUM
(For more information please visit the TOSSD website at: http://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/tossd-public-consultation.htm)
Please select 1-2 priority questions or areas from the TOSSD compendium for discussion:

**Background: Motivations and aims of TOSSD**

1. Are the objectives of the TOSSD measurement framework clear? What elements of the stated TOSSD objectives could be sharpened?
2. Is the distinction between ODA and TOSSD sufficiently clear? If not, how could this be clarified further?
3. How could TOSSD capture results and/or investment quality considerations (e.g. jobs created, technology improvements, energy cost reductions, etc.)?
4. What international standards and principles should be integrated and monitored in the TOSSD framework?

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5. Can it be assumed that all activities with a developmental purpose currently eligible as ODA also qualify as TOSSD?
6. Can activities motivated by the provider’s self-interest be included if they have an equally important developmental purpose or are expected to have a developmental impact? How could boundaries for mutually beneficial activities in TOSSD be defined?
7. How, and to what extent, could trade finance be covered in TOSSD? What parameters could be used to determine the boundaries for TOSSD-eligible trade finance, where the motivations are both promoting domestic interests and developmental impact abroad?

**Core Structure: Provider and Recipient Perspectives**

8. Do the features of the TOSSD provider and recipient perspectives seem balanced, relevant and useful? What is missing?

**Determining TOSSD-eligibility (providers, recipients, and activities)**

9. What additional criteria for the decision tree could help further define the boundaries of TOSSD-eligible activities at country level?
10. What further insights and proposals could be considered for defining the TOSSD-eligibility of activities addressing development enablers and global challenges at regional and global level in the areas of climate change, migration, peace and security, and human rights?
11. Which alternative multi-dimensional approaches beyond income criteria could be used to assess TOSSD recipient country eligibility?
12. Which multilateral organisations should be TOSSD-eligible and how can they be identified? Should these organisations include regional, sub-regional and sector-specific bodies?

**Capturing private finance mobilised by official intervention**

13. When measuring mobilisation in TOSSD from the provider perspective, should the resources mobilised be included in the measure or presented separately?
14. How could the recipient perspective measure adequately record private finance mobilised through TOSSD operations? What would be needed to ensure availability of detailed project information so that TOSSD could capture the totality of cross-border flows, including complex project schemes, at country level?
15. Which indicator best represents countries’ ownership? Is there a need to reflect both paid-in and callable capital in the indicator?