



Informal Expert Meeting on Managing for and Communicating about Results

19-20 May 2008 – GTZ Haus Berlin – Hosted by BMZ

Agenda

Day one: Monday 19 May 2008

8:30 – 9:00 **Registration and coffee**

9:00 – 9:30 **Welcome**

Welcome and introduction by Klaus Krämer (BMZ, Germany) and Henri-Bernard Solignac Lecomte (OECD Development Centre). Brief introduction of the meeting moderator, Thomas Henschel.

Session I What do we mean by development results and what information do we need?

9:30 – 11:00 In this opening session, three speakers, coming from different backgrounds, will give their opinion on the major issues related to managing for and communicating about results. They will share their view of what development results are, what information on results can and needs to be delivered, and give their opinion about the different roles of actors involved in this process. Panel: Monique Sheehan (AusAID), Stefan Schmitz (OECD), Jens Wiegmann (Die Welt). The short presentations will be followed by an interactive debate lead by Thomas Henschel.

11:00 – 11:30 **Coffee Break**

Session II What does the Joint Venture on Managing for Development Results (MfDR) do, and how is it relevant for DevCom members?

11:30 – 12:30 This session will provide insight into the work process in the Joint Venture on MfDR (part of the OECD DAC) through presentations by managers from its different work streams. The presentations will provide first thoughts on possible links between communication and results based management.

- Overview of the Joint Venture, Country Capacity Assessment and the MfDR Sourcebook. Speaker: Stefan Schmitz (OECD DAC secretariat)
- Conceptual and Technical Guidance. Speaker: Reiner Forster (GTZ)
- Agency Effectiveness & Procedures and Incentives in Donor Agencies. Speaker: Penny Innes (DFID)

12:30 – 13:00 Questions and answers regarding the work of the Joint Venture and brainstorming on opportunities for collaboration.

13:00 – 14:30 **Light lunch at the GTZ House**

Session III Breakout groups: in what ways does results based management interlink with communication?

14:30 – 16:00 In this session, there will be three breakout groups. Each group will discuss the same topic: in what way could results based management interlink with communication? Participants will build on the knowledge and understanding from the previous sessions, and use case studies of donor results communication to find ways to improve the process. Each breakout session will start with a short

presentation by a DevCom Member on how they gather information about results for their communication, and highlight the challenges they meet in the process.

Group A: Presentations: Frits Kemperman (MFA Netherlands) and Jean-Marc Pradelle / Thierry de Geyer d'Orth (AFD)

Group B: Presentations: Phillippe Loop (EuropeAid) and Tom Engel (DFID)

Group C: Presentations: Reinout van Vaerenbergh (MFA Belgium)

Facilitators: Steffen Beitz, Henri-Bernard Solignac Lecomte, Robert Zimmerman

16:00 – 16:30 **Coffee Break**

Conclusion Reporting back from the breakout groups

16:30 – 17:30 A reporter from each break out group will give a summary of the key entry points identified during the breakout sessions, followed by a brief discussion of the proposals.

19:30 **Conference Dinner at M.A.O.A (Modern Art of Asia), Leipziger Platz**

Day two: Tuesday 20 May 2008

8:30 – 9:00 **Coffee**

9:00 – 9:15 **DevCom update**

Robert Zimmerman (OECD) will give a brief update on work in progress and upcoming events.

9:15 – 9:30 **Summary of day one**

Thomas Henschel will present a short summary of the first day. What has been achieved yesterday, where do we stand and where are we heading to in the final session?

Session IV Plenary working group: Moving forward to concrete action points

9:30 – 12:30 In this session, Thomas Henschel will lead an active plenary working group aimed at identifying goals, success indicators and strategies to facilitate better communication about development results. We will look at how the ideas from the first day can be transformed into concrete, realistic, and time-bound action points for individual agencies, the DevCom Network Work Programme 2009-2010, and the round table on MfDR in Accra and beyond.

There will be a coffee break halfway through the session

Final Session Summary of the commitments to move forward

12:30 – 13:00 Thomas Henschel will have a round table interview with three participants to reflect on the outcomes of the meeting. What they will personally take home? What is it that they leave behind? What were the major learning points, and what might be improved in the future? Speakers: Agata Czaplinska (MFA Poland), Adrian Maître (SDC), Frits Kemperman (MFA Netherlands).

13:00 – 13:15 **Closing remarks by Steffen Beitz (Devcom Network Co-ordinator)**

13:15 – 14:15 **Lunch at the GTZ House**