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INFORMATION NOTE

## The Busan Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation

### Frequently Asked Questions

*This note is intended to provide interested governments and organisations with information on the Busan Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation, the outcome document of the Fourth High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness (HLF4). Further information on the Forum and its outcomes can be found online at [www.busanhlf4.org](http://www.busanhlf4.org)*

#### **What is the *Busan Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation* ?**

The Busan Partnership document is the outcome document of the Fourth High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness (Busan, Republic of Korea, 29 November – 1 December 2011). The result of an inclusive year-long process of consultation, it benefits from the support of the broadest range of governmental, civil society, private and other actors present at HLF4. The document was finalised during HLF4 itself by a group of representatives tasked with liaising with and ensuring the support of the broadest possible range of delegations. The Busan Partnership document sets out principles, commitments and actions that offer a foundation for effective co-operation in support of international development.

#### **How can my government or organisation signal its support for the *Busan Partnership document*?**

The vast majority of HLF4 delegations have signalled their support for the document through the group of sherpas nominated to ensure its finalisation in a transparent, inclusive manner. While it is assumed that all delegations to HLF4 lend their support for the outcomes set out in the Busan Partnership document, the Republic of Korea will post the list of countries and organisations present at HLF-4 online as supporters of the Busan Partnership document. Countries or organisations that wish to be excluded from this list are invited to express their positions in writing by 9 March 2012.

Countries or organisations that were not represented at HLF4 but that wish to lend their support to the Busan Partnership document are also invited to confirm this in writing.

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### **Is the Busan Partnership document legally binding? How will implementation be ensured?**

The Busan Partnership document does not take the form of a binding agreement or international treaty. It is not signed, and does not give rise to legal obligations. Rather, it is a statement of consensus that a wide range of governments and organisations have expressed their support for, offering a framework for continued dialogue and efforts to enhance the effectiveness of development co-operation.

The Busan Partnership document foresees the establishment of a Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation, which will support and help ensure accountability for implementation at the political level. A light framework will be agreed through which progress will be monitored and mutual accountability supported.

### **How will the new Global Partnership and monitoring arrangements be determined? How can my country or organisation be involved in these initiatives?**

The Busan Partnership document mandates the Working Party on Aid Effectiveness to lead a broad consultative process with a view to reaching agreement on the working arrangements for the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation, and monitoring and accountability measures, by June 2012. All countries and organisations lending their support to the Busan Partnership document are invited to play an active role in sharing their views on these processes.

An interim group of senior representatives has been tasked with leading consultations and developing proposals. An online Community Space is also accessible to all countries and organisations that have expressed their support for the Busan Partnership document. This resource will offer further information on the consultation process, as well as the opportunity for interested stakeholders to contribute their ideas for consideration. See <https://community.oecd.org/community/aideffectiveness>.

### **I would like further information on the Busan Partnership document or the ongoing consultations relating to the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation. Who can I contact?**

The secretariat of the Working Party on Aid Effectiveness can be contacted at any time to provide further information on the consultations and plans for the Global Partnership, and opportunities for your country or organisation to provide inputs throughout the process.

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