



Meeting of the IATI Governing Board

Wednesday 19 July, 2016

Attendees:

(Governing Board) Sarah Johns (Bond); Stephen Potter, Yohanna Loucheur (Canada); Liz Steele (Alternate - Publish What You Fund); Timothy Takona (UNICEF); John Adams, TAG Chair (DFID)

(IATI Secretariat) Carolyn Culey (Development Initiatives); Annelise Parr (UNDP), Argjira Belegu-Shuku (UNOPS)

Apologies: Monowar Ahmed (Bangladesh); Zefania Isaora Romalahy (Madagascar)

Vacation period and next meeting

Certain matters will be taken forward online and there will be no Board meeting next month. Stephen will be absent first two weeks of August; Annelise will be out 19-29 July (Carolyn will cover) and Aug 18-Sep 5); John will be out early September coinciding with next meeting date – Wednesday September 7th.

Minutes:

Review of draft minutes from the MA

The Board reviewed the draft minutes from the MA meeting and subject to minor changes agreed it could be shared with members. Specific changes noted below – any further line edits to be sent through today:

- Include Chair's ref to achievements and future priorities in the opening
- Include Reference to Theory of Change. Action: Secretariat, with reference group input, September.
- Workplan – Action: Sec and Board to update workplan to align with updated strategic direction
- Budget/resourcing - No disagreement on the general direction or budget, but just section on UN payment. Canada will send through suggested text.
- Technical updates. Actions – determine venue and planning for TAG, and rename table.
- TOR – Move this to an action item: place up on Discuss forum, and send out with minutes.
 - Action: Annelise to send draft minutes out today

HLM planning

- Board heard brief report on relevant points from the GPEDC SC meeting– namely calls for side events and IATI language in the HLM outcome document. Timing for updated language is not clear – the message was to send this through as soon as possible – as it will be worked on in August.

- Side event – data use is frontier issue. PWYF would support a multi-stakeholder event demonstrating how far IATI has come, and the use and benefits of IATI – in an interesting dynamic way to make it more interesting. Perhaps use a practical demonstration showing use of data by governments and other partners.
- Marketplace. This was very useful for IATI community to come together and for outreach, and it worked very well in Mexico and would be good to do this in Nairobi. There will be resource implications (manning the stall all the time; this can be supported in part by DI through its Nairobi office. Nonetheless broadly seen as a good suggestion.
 - Action: Secretariat to generate a concept for both side event and marketplace, and start a thread on Yammer to gather potential case studies and ideas for Board to feed into.
- Language for outcome document. Canada can check with US regarding comments on CS language. Include EC and DFID. Others for reference group to refine language would be World Vision (Elie based in Nairobi), Bond (although only by email), Sweden MFA (now chair of OECD-DAC).
 - Action: Carolyn will send a message out to proposed reference group.

Resourcing question for UN

- UNICEF updates the Board on UN resourcing question, mentioning three processes that will likely bring large numbers of new UN members will come on board (CEB, QCPR both requiring IATI publishing, as well as WHS Grand Bargain). Chair reminds of importance of getting broad agreement to this proposal not just within UN but across membership, but without losing ground in agreement made in Copenhagen.
 - Action: Annelise to circulate the draft to UNDG and Board at the same time – and make it very clear it's a proposal only.

Annual report

- Questions of timing – this should be Jan/Feb 2017 so it does not infringe on TAG or HLM work. Request for analytic info on how the annual report was used –whether the significant effort yielded sufficient results to justify so much effort. AR meets two needs – both on financial reporting and as a comms material.
 - Action, Share analytics. Put up a thread on Yammer posing questions to the board.

TAG planning

- TAG – Tech team is looking at four options in the African region, considering political and logistic issues. Early November likely.
 - Action: Keep Board informed on both date and venue via Yammer.