



## Meeting of the IATI Governing Board

Date: November 16th 2016

Time: 09:30- 11:15 (NY)

**(Governing Board)** Sarah Johns (Bond); Stephen Potter (Canada, Chair of the IATI Board), Yohanna Loucheur (Canada); Aftab Ahmad (Bangladesh, Alt Vice- chair of the IATI Board); Rupert Simons (Publish What You Fund); Timothy Takona (UNICEF); Zefania Romalahy Isaora (Madagascar).

**(IATI Secretariat)** Joni Hillman (Development Initiatives); Annelise Parr, Frances Wood, Kristina M. Leuchowius (UNDP); Katrin Lichtenberg (UNOPS).

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## Minutes

Agenda for today's meeting, and minutes from the 21<sup>st</sup> September meeting approved.

### Strategic Direction

#### Theory of Change

UNDP in collaboration with the IATI Secretariat members has developed a draft Theory of Change, following the MA recommendation. UNDP provided a brief update about the ToC: the overall theory; how the draft has been developed; the reasoning behind the links/change process between outputs, outcome and impact; internal/external assumptions and risks.

**Decision:** Future use - primarily for internal purposes; when sharing more broadly we should add to the guidance to make it clear and more self-explanatory for unfamiliar readers.

**Action:** UNDP to share the Theory of Change and assumption/risk list with the Board and members to provide comments on the ToC and assumptions and risks. Board members are asked to provide feedback as comments in the google document (link shared in Yammer), identifying missing assumptions/risks as well as evidence they are aware of that corresponds with the assumptions already listed. Feedback of the Board is requested by **November 30<sup>th</sup>** and from members by **December 16<sup>th</sup>**. Please also identify additional external assumptions that might be affecting IATI, and keep in mind whether we need to collect evidence on any of the blue boxes as well.

**Action:** UNDP and the Secretariat will finalize the documents based on feedback received during the call and over the next four weeks. Final approval of the board will be sought during the next Board meeting (January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017). Links will be shared in Yammer.

### Work plan alignment

The Secretariat has completed the work to align the workplan with the strategic direction, taking account of feedback received at the MA meeting in July, and expanding to include more focus in the workplan in use of data.

**Decision:** The final documents and presentation will be shared through the website.

**Action:** Board members to provide any specific or more detailed comments/contributions via Yammer ([relevant thread posted on Nov 9<sup>th</sup>](#)) by **November 30<sup>th</sup>**.

**Action:** DI and UNOPS to update the language on “providers”; increase focus on data usage (2B/2C language, move up items such as D-portal/data store and provide concrete actions; IATI Standard, technical questions on aggregation- how to visualize data); strengthen number 3 to make sure that it is fit for purpose - how data can be presented and used. (Apologies to the Board – these items were not well captured and any corrections/clarifications are very welcome)

### Information and updates

1. A brief written update on the status of activity and finance was shared prior to the meeting.
2. Confirmation by the Board of sign-off of operational items

**Decision:** Within its delegation of authority (+/-20%) the Board endorsed a proposed revision of the budget to increase by 3.44% in Y4 and 4.08% in Y5 to cover technical staff recruitments at DI.

**Action:** The cash-flow acceleration plan: further information will be provided urgently by UNOPS (background/actions taken, responses received etc.) to enable the board to address each member individually as appropriate. Caution will be taken before updating language in the contribution amendments, keeping in mind the voluntary nature of the initiative and the political value of retaining members. The Chair will reach out to the banks that have indicated challenges in raising the full fee.

### Outreach

HLM2 messaging: IATI is mentioned with favourable text in the latest version of the outcome document dated Nov 14th.

Side event: This will take place on the 30<sup>th</sup> of November 08:00-09:00, in KICC, Nairobi, jointly organised by PWYF, WFP and AfDB. Confirmations awaited on keynote speakers. Invitations to go out this week. Weekly organiser calls taking place. Comms strategy developed by the Secretariat, and feedback welcomed on key messages that will inform briefings for speakers, panellists and bilateral meetings by the delegation. Apologies by the Chair who will be unable to attend the HLM2.

**Action:** Board members to share comments on the HLM2 briefing message document as soon as possible. Comments can be made directly in the google document. (Link shared in Yammer)

### Any Other Business

With urgency and lack of available budget for this activity, Canada will take lead in recruiting a consultant on the long-term institutional arrangements using GAC resources and based on the ToR that was approved by the members, and with support by other Board members to ensure no conflict of interest in the process.

**Action:** Canada will revise the ToR that was already reviewed and approved by the members; the revisions will reflect changed selection process. Canada, Rupert and Monwar will then proceed with the recruitment process.

Next meeting date: 11th January 2017, 9.30-11.15 New York time