

## **Members Advisory Group Meeting Minutes**

2 October, 2015

**Attendees:** Alasdair Wardhaugh (DFID), Anna Whitson (UNDP – minutes), Annelise Parr (UNDP, IATI Secretariat), Carolyn Culey (Development Initiatives, IATI Secretariat), Jamie Attard (Gates Foundation), Robin Uytterlinde (IATI Chair), Sarah Johns (Bond), Samuel Blazyk, Horia Sohir Debbiche, (AFDB)

### **Updates since last MAG call**

- **Partner country seat in the MAG:** It was confirmed that Bangladesh has agreed to nominate someone to the MAG in time for its next call. Annelise will follow-up with Bangladesh and identify a time for subsequent meetings that is acceptable in all timezones.
- **Frequency of MAG calls:** Calls will be held on a weekly basis throughout October.
- **Preparation and distribution of Steering Committee meeting papers:** the Secretariat's schedule foresees first drafts of all papers by 22 October.
  - Papers with relevance to the work of the MAG will be shared with the group for comment between 30 October and 11 November.
  - Papers on governance, hosting and vision prepared by the MAG should also be completed by 11 November.
  - Final papers will be circulated to members by 17 November.
- **Evaluation Report:** final report is due from Ian Davies (Evaluator) by 7 October.

### **New Business**

- **Governance:** A matrix was circulated ahead of the call outlining possible governance options - drawing upon current arrangements, notes from the governance workshop in Ottawa SC meetings and the draft evaluation report. MAG focal points on this topic are also reviewing similar initiatives such as Paris 21 and Open Contracting and have invited feedback on others that could also be considered.
  - Feedback is requested by email to Sarah and Jamie ahead of the next meeting.
- **Hosting arrangements:** the MAG requested additional documents on the current hosting arrangements in order to begin their work, and these were circulated at the end of the call.
  - Members of the Secretariat provided information on the legal considerations around a possible extension of the current hosting arrangements, as requested in the previous call. Secretariat then exited the call in order for the MAG to continue their discussions around future hosting arrangements.