



**International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI)
First Annual Conference 20th/21st October 2009
Amazon Auditorium, World Forum, The Hague
Programme (as of 11/08/09)**

Day 1: Transparency and Effective and Accountable Aid

Session 1: Opening Plenary		
Chairs	Bert Koenders and Maarten Brouwer	
9.30	Bert Koenders Netherlands Minister for Development Cooperation	Welcome and Opening Speech. Introduction to the aims and objectives of IATI.
9.20	John Rwangombwa Secretary General MINECOFIN Rwanda	Challenges and opportunities for strengthening ownership and accountability through better information: Experiences from Rwanda.
9.40	H.E. Mr. Milan Rocen (tbc) Minister of Foreign Affairs Montenegro	Experiences and challenges in aid co-ordination and management in Montenegro.
10.00	Discussion	
10.45	Coffee break	
Chair	Koos Richelle Director General AIDCO	Implementing the Accra Agenda for Action: The contribution of the International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI.)
11.55	Hon. Dr Minendra Rijal Minister for Federal Affairs, Constituent Assembly, Parliamentary Affairs and Culture, Nepal	Promoting Parliamentary Accountability: How can we help Parliamentarians to better track aid flows and promote effective use of resources?
11.15	Warren Nyamugasira Executive Director African Monitor	Aid and Accountability: How greater aid transparency can help citizens and CSOs track aid funds and hold government and donors accountable.
11.35	Jorge Hage Sobrinho Head Controller General's Office Brazil	Empowering Citizens: Experiences in promoting government accountability to citizens in Brazil.
12.15	Discussion	
13.00	Lunch and marketplace of ideas	Displays and short presentations from representatives of key transparency initiatives and experts on aid information

Session 2: The demand for aid information: what do users need?		
Chair	Zeina Zeid Toukan (tbc) Director of International Cooperation Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation, Jordan	
14.30	Mary-Anne Addo (tbc) Director, Resource Mobilisation-Multilateral Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning Ghana	What is most important for partner countries? Feedback from the six regional IATI partner country consultations
14.45	Tony Tujan Chairperson, Reality of Aid Network/ Programme Director, IBON Foundation, BetterAid Platform	What is most important for CSOs? Feedback from the six regional IATI civil society consultations.
15.00	Gabriel Ferrero Deputy Director Ministry of Foreign Affairs Spain	Donor country perspectives on how improving transparency can help promote development in a downturn.
15.15	Discussion	
15.45	Tea and marketplace of ideas	
Session 3: Review and closing of Day 1		
Chair	Maarten Brouwer Ambassador for Development Cooperation Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
16.15	Discussion and review of day 1	
17.30: Close of Day 1		

Day 2: Improving Transparency: What role for IATI?

Session 4: Improving transparency: What does IATI have to build on?		
Chair	Sandra Alzate Director of International Cooperation Presidential Agency for Social Action and International Cooperation, Colombia	
9.00	Owen Barder Director, aidinfo Programme Development Initiatives for Poverty Research (DIPR)	Improving transparency: What could IATI deliver? Findings from key research
9.15	Jean-Louis Sarbib Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Development Gateway	Experiences in sharing information: What can be done? Key findings from the IATI pilots
9.30	Representative (tbc) OECD-DAC	Experiences in sharing information about aid: What does IATI have to build on?

9.45	Hedwig Riegler (tbc) Chair, WP-STAT Head of Statistics, Austrian Development Agency	Setting standards for sharing aid information: Experiences from the Working Party on Statistics (WP-STAT).
10.00	Discussion	
10.30	Tea break	
Session 5: Improving transparency: What role for IATI?		
Chair	Christiaan Poortman Director of Global Programmes Transparency International	
11.00	Brian Hammond Chairperson IATI Technical Advisory Group (TAG)	IATI proposals (1): What information could donors commit to publishing?
11.15	Henri Valot, Civicus or Alex Gerbrandij, EC	IATI proposals (2): What could the IATI Code of Conduct look like, and how should it operate?
11.30	Break out groups	Multi-stakeholder groupings discuss the proposals put forward.
13.00	Lunch and marketplace of ideas	
Session 6: Review of draft IATI proposals		
Chair	Dasa Silovic Senior Policy Advisor UNDP	
14.00	Break out groups (contd.)	
14.30	Report back from break out groups and discussion	
16.00	Tea break	
Session 7: Closing		
Chair	Maarten Brouwer Ambassador for Development Cooperation Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
16.30	Minouche Shafik (tbc) Permanent Secretary Department for International Development UK	Taking forward the International Aid Transparency Initiative: Conclusions from the IATI Conference
17.00	Dr. Omar Zakhilwal (tbc) Minister of Finance Afghanistan	Closing speech
17.30: Close of Conference		