



TASK TEAM OCTOBER 2018 UPDATE

Greetings from the Task Team Secretariat. Via this new channel we will inform you on a monthly basis about what keeps the Secretariat busy and share relevant info from international fora.

Possible cooperation between 3 Global Partnership initiatives (GPIs)

The TT Secretariat was contacted recently by the co-chairs of the Results & Mutual Accountability GPI (Swiss Development Cooperation and Madagascar- our own TT participant Zefania Romalahy) to see whether there is a possibility to set up a cooperation project on the country level between the TT's GPI, the CPDE's GPI and the GPI on Results & Mutual Accountability. An initial discussion between the three GPIs (the TT was represented by the TT Secretariat Manager) has led to the idea that this kind of cooperation in the framework of the GPDEC might be fruitful. The proposal is to hook onto the outcomes of the ongoing GPEDC third monitoring round, specifically for indicators 1a, 1b, 2 and 7, expected in March 2019, and undertake a joint validation exercise where we would look at the actual situation on the ground and compare it to the outcomes of the monitoring. A selected but limited number of countries would be chosen in which this validation exercise could take place, possibly evenly spread throughout Latin America, Africa and Asia. Importantly, the results of this joint validation exercise would produce inputs into the Senior Level Meeting of the GPEDC of July next year. A more concrete proposal for this "3 GPIs cooperation project" is currently being worked out and will be presented at our upcoming TT meeting in The Hague (28/29 November) at which our TT participants will be asked to support the idea of TT participation in this initiative.

TT participation in dialogue meeting Swedish CSOs, International CSOs and Sida, Hännösand, Sweden, 10-12 October 2018

At the invitation of Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) the TT Secretariat participated in the yearly dialogue of the Swedish government with Swedish CSOs. This is an annual event normally taking place between Sida and the Swedish Framework Organisations. Since the theme for this year's meeting was "Creating Synergies in protection and expansion of civic space" which links to the Sida objective of their CSO-strategy; a more enabling environment for civil society organisations in developing countries, it was decided that the international CSO partners to the Sida Civil Society Unit should also be invited to participate and share their experiences in the discussions. The TT was therefore not only represented by the Secretariat manager but also by (TT) participants from CIVICUS, ICNL and IBON. The discussions were very interesting and there was a lot of room for interaction with the Swedish CSOs to share some of our international work and messages around CSO Enabling Environment and CSO Development Effectiveness and the benefits of multi-stakeholder dialogue to support the role of CSOs in development processes.

Sida is planning to continue to invite its international partners to this yearly event.

As a panelist, the Secretariat spoke of its interest in contributing to multi-stakeholder dialogue on CSO development effectiveness and enabling environments in between monitoring rounds, as well as the potential use of Indicator 2 monitoring results as input to countries' monitoring of SDGs 17 and 16 (peaceful and inclusive societies and accountable institutions).



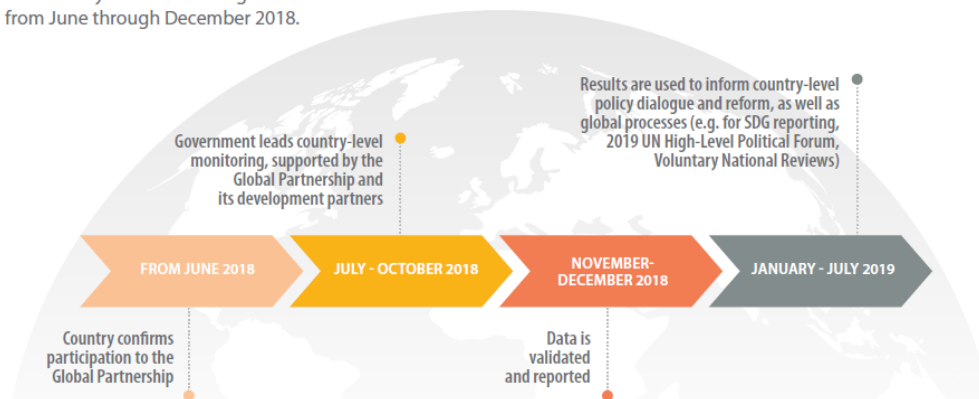
Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation

The Global Partnership Third Monitoring Round is well underway. Participating stakeholders can access a series of weekly consultation and support webinars in English, French and Spanish hosted by the Joint Support Team.

The Enhanced Effectiveness at Country Level pilots are also underway in nine countries including three TT participant countries (Bangladesh, Kenya and Uganda). The pilots are focused on a range of issues needed to spur effectiveness at country level such as enhancing country ownership, broadening and deepening inclusive multi-stakeholder dialogue, and enhancing transparency of aid flows. A summary of the country pilots is available [here](#). Lessons and good practices from the pilots will be included in the Global Partnership's Compendium of Good Practice to be published for the 2019 Senior Level Meeting and its knowledge-sharing platform.

Plans for the Senior Level Meeting will be one of the agenda items of the Global Partnership's next Steering Committee meeting taking place November 30 in New York on the margins of the Global South-South Development Expo.

The country-level monitoring exercise runs from June through December 2018.



Task Team Studies

We are pleased to announce that 70% of our TT participants completed the survey that was developed for input on new sub-themes, broader study applicability, and relevance of the Task Team Studies. This demonstrates significant motivation to justify a new round of studies for the TT. As a next step, the ISS academics, Professors Biekart and Fowler, will develop a proposed overarching question that speaks to the top three thematics selected via the survey. The RG will be engaged in this process. The overarching research question will be presented at the next TT meeting in November for a final 'green light' from the Task Team.

Next Task Team Meeting

The next Task Team meeting will take place on 28-29 November 2018. The meeting will be held in The Hague in The Netherlands and will be hosted by the [International Institute of Social Studies](#). The focus will be on a concrete approach to operationalize the strategy adopted at the Task Team's June 2018 meeting. We are jumping into action and need your engagement to make this a success! We look forward to seeing you there.

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