2023 BUSAN GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP FORUM

DRAFT PROGRAMME
as of 26 Oct

Tuesday - Wednesday,
5 - 6 December 2023
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08:30 – 09:40  Busan Forum Political Opening
- Welcome Remarks
- Opening Remarks from the GPEDC Co-Chairs
- Keynote Speech

09:40 – 11:10  Session 1 - Setting the Scene: Effective Development Cooperation in the Context of Global and Emerging Challenges

Building on the dialogue from the 2022 Effectiveness Summit in Geneva, this first session of the Busan Forum will frame the dialogue throughout the two days with a discussion on the challenges and context of poly crisis that international development actors are facing today. By delving into these challenges, the discussion aims to highlight the intricate issues at play in development cooperation, while simultaneously emphasising the relevance of the effectiveness principles in this complex context. The main goal of this session is to provide a platform to foster a nuanced understanding in which landscape the effectiveness principles operate and how they can address global and emerging challenges.

11:10 – 11:30  Coffee Break

11:30 – 13:00  Session 2 - Locally-led development: exploring best practices for promoting agency, accountability and results

The main objective of this session is to examine the practical implications of a locally-led approach to development, drawing on perspectives from relevant partners and exploring best practices for navigating trade-offs. The multi-stakeholder panel discussion will include reflections on how locally-led development can support the achievement of the 2030 Agenda, and explore the commitments and concrete actions that are being taken to support local actors. This session will hear from a broad variety of actors on these issues. It will aim to demonstrate how empowering local actors while strengthening government systems can help untangle effectiveness dilemmas. Ideas and knowledge shared will seek to spur action toward greater collective accountability to enhance country ownership and locally-led development.

13:00 – 14:30  Lunch
Session 3 - Upholding civil society's role and space to ensure inclusive partnerships and locally-led development

Hearing from a broad range of stakeholders, the objective of this session is to further unpack the previous session’s discussion by focusing on the importance of trust-building approaches in providing an enabling environment for civil society and recognising their role in multi-stakeholder partnerships and locally-led development. The session follows a discussion at last year’s Effectiveness Summit on trust-building to strengthen the enabling environment for civil society and will look at how actors have taken action in 2023. The session will consider how and why civil society organisations are best able to reach where state institutions cannot, and the critical role they play in ensuring no one is left behind. It also represents an opportunity to introduce the “Thematic Initiative on Enabling Civil Society through Trust-Building”.

Coffee Break

Session 4 - Effective Private Sector Engagement for Sustainable Development

This session will focus on modalities that further partnerships with the private sector to better achieve the SDGs, while at the same time recognising the need for financial return for the private sector. While modalities for PSE have more generally focussed on financing, it is critical to take forward opportunities for more holistic private sector engagement as a critical development partner, not only for resources, but also for its ingenuity and reach. As such, focus will be brought to the Kampala Principles, which guide collective work on making private sector partnerships for development co-operation more effective. The session will also serve to launch the ‘Friends of Kampala Principles Network’ – a new alliance of like-minded actors which serves as an accelerator for advocacy and outreach, learning and country level action in countries that lead the Kampala Principles Assessment (part of the GPEDC monitoring).

Time available for bilaterals

Networking Dinner
**Session 5 – Strengthening the Effectiveness of Partnerships in the context of South-South cooperation**

The main objective of this session is to discuss the role of South-South Co-operation (SSC) in supporting partner countries to address the pressing global challenges of the post-2015 era, reflecting on key tools on which Southern development actors leverage to advance progress across the three dimensions of sustainable development: economic, social and environmental. The panel will explore synergies with the work of the Global Partnership to maximise the effectiveness of SSC, including the Self-Assessment on the Effectiveness of South-South Co-operation (SSC) as a thematic initiative of GPEDC's Work Programme 2023-2026 led by Colombia and Indonesia. By convening a multi-stakeholder dialogue, the panel will discuss the complementarity and contribution of SSC to the effectiveness agenda, highlighting key components of the self-assessment tool and reflecting on the relevance of this methodology to contribute to improving the quality and effectiveness of SSC at country level as a key lever for sustainable development.

**10:00 – 10:30**  
**Coffee Break**

**Session 6 – Bringing it All Together with County Level Action to Deliver Better Together**

This session will put a spotlight on action to raise political momentum and spur behaviour change toward more effective development cooperation. Drawing on the rollout of the Global Partnership’s 4th monitoring round, this session will hear from diverse actors on how their constituency is leading or participating in this exercise at country level and how it can be used as a tool to address some of the global challenges and improve ways of working and partnering that have been discussed throughout the Forum. This session will hear from diverse stakeholders that are engaged at country level to explore concrete examples on how the Global Partnership monitoring exercise is rolling out on the ground. The session will also hear from stakeholders on their experience thus far in engaging the in the monitoring exercise at country level with the aim to share knowledge and experiences from the perspective of different stakeholders participating in the exercise.

**12:00 – 12:20**  
**Closing session**
- Closing Remarks

**12:20 – 14:00**  
**Lunch**

**14:00 – 18:00**  
**Time available for bilaterals**