# **TAP Network Steering Committee**

Meeting Decisions

7 July 2017

Present: Ms. Arelys Bellorini, World Vision Mr. Louis Busingye, HRFRA Ms. Jyotsna Singh, ADA Mr. John Romano, TAP Secretariat Ms. Bonian Golmohammadi, WFUNA

Not present: Ms. Jennifer Tsai, ABA ROLI

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Chairing Meeting: Mr. Louis Busingye

DECISIONS TAKEN FROM CONFERENCE CALL IN GREEN; FOLLOW-UP ITEMS IN BLUE

<u>Agenda Items:</u>

1. Approval of last Steering Committee Call Decisions Decision: Approval of Steering Committee Decisions from 23 June 2017.

# 2. Next steps for TAP "Governance Review"

**Discussion:** The Secretariat outlined a proposed decision making process and timeline and next steps regarding the governance review. There were questions and some confusion about the proposed next steps, with Steering Committee members feeling a process for taking decisions can be considered at a later date once the consultant's report is released to the Steering Committee. There were also concerns about the timeline for the process, as the Steering Committee members felt that the broader governance review must be undertaken according to previous decisions taken by the Committee that prompted it to request an extension of its mandate to carry out this broad review. The Committee also felt that such broader review is necessary for any decisions regarding future institutional arrangements for TAP. The Secretariat reflected on the practicalities of taking things forward with the governance review were discussed, including challenges regarding sequencing of funding and grants as well as contracts for the consultants. The need for reviewing past decisions on the governance review process was also expressed by a number of Steering Committee members, to ensure that the consultant is covering everything that the Steering Committee had originally set out to review. The discussion then turned to



exploring practical arrangements for ensuring that TAP's activities were fully funded through the entirety of the governance review process, and into the agenda item below.

**Follow-up:** TAP Steering Committee to review past decisions on governance review process to clarify next steps

### 3. Update on TAP Consultancies for "Hosting Review" and Capacity Building

**Discussion:** Carrying over discussions from the previous agenda item, the Steering Committee explored practical ways to ensure that TAP was funded through an extended time period to allow for the governance review to be fully undertaken. It was proposed for TAP to explore a no-cost extension with OSF through end of September 2017, which would allow some flexibility for the governance review process to take shape through August and September. This would include finding additional funding to support the TAP governance review consultant to undertake the full scope of the governance review through August and September.

**Decision:** Request for OSF for no-cost extension through end of September.

**Follow-up:** If no-cost extension is approved by OSF, TAP Steering Committee will need to review TAP budget and spending for August through the end of September.

**Follow-up:** Steering Committee to review the report of the consultant once released, and determine a timeline and next steps for decisions on governance and hosting.

Follow-up: Steering Committee to review the Terms of Reference for the consultant.

# 4. Update on SDG16 national-level workshops

**Discussion:** It was noted by the TAP Secretariat and ADA colleagues that some of the national-level workshops that had been proposed were unable to be held before end of July, due to various reasons. The Steering Committee expressed a desire to re-visit if/how to support additional national-level workshops beyond end of July, when discussing priorities for the TAP budget from August through September 2017.

### 5. Update on TAP events/workshops at 2017 HLPF

**Discussion:** Due to lack of time, the TAP Secretariat deferred the updates on these HLPF activities to the TAP Coordination Call following the TAP Steering Committee call.

6. AOB

