TAP Network Steering Committee

Meeting Decisions

26 May 2017

Present: Ms. Bonian Golmohammadi, WFUNA
Ms. Arelys Bellorini, World Vision
Mr. Louis Busingye, HRFRA
Mr. Mohammed Zia Ur-Rehman, ADA
Ms. Jyotsna Singh, ADA
Mr. John Romano, TAP Secretariat
Mr. Reyhanillo Andi Kasim, TAP Secretariat

Not present: Ms. Jennifer Tsai, ABA ROLI

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Chairing Meeting: Ms. Arelys Bellorini

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

Agenda Items:

1. Approval of last Steering Committee Call Decisions
   Decision: Approval of Steering Committee Decisions from 5 May 2017.

2. Decisions on funding for TAP Latin American nominations
   Decision: TAP Members selected for funding support for 2017 HLPF from Latin America:
   1.) Mr. Philipp Schonrock, CEPEI
   2.) Ms. Alejandra Paz Riveros Gonzalez, Aldeas Infantiles SOS

   Decision: Approval for funding full costs of travel for Louis Busingye for 2017 HLPF.

3. Speakers for TAP HLPF official sessions

   Decision: TAP will nominate all colleagues who will receive TAP travel support for 2017 HLPF for the following official HLPF roundtable speaking opportunities:
   - Goal 1. End poverty in all its forms everywhere
   - Goal 5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls
   - Goal 17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development
- Multi-dimensions of poverty and interlinkages among the above mentioned SDGs
- Countries in special situations (LDCs, LLDCs and MICs)
- Science, Technology and Innovation for the SDGs
- Financing for Development
- Interlinkages among SDGs
- Emerging issues
- Multi-stakeholder engagement and implementation

**Discussion:** It was proposed that TAP should submit nominations for speaking slots for all relevant roundtable sessions, for all seven of the TAP funded participants for the HLPF. For additional speaking opportunities, particularly during the VNR presentations, priority should be given to colleagues that are from countries undertaking VNR going forward. If selected for any of these official speaking opportunities, TAP will draft a statement for these colleagues to present at these speaking slots, but will also allow for these colleagues to present some of their own advocacy points on behalf of their organization. We will explore additional opportunities for colleagues from VNR countries to intervene in other discussions as well.

**Follow-up:** TAP Secretariat to follow-up with TAP funded participants to notify them that we have signed them up to speak on behalf of the TAP Network for the various roundtables.

**4. Review of proposals for Goal 16 workshops**

**Discussion:** Appreciation was noted from all of the TAP Steering Committee Members of the strong response from TAP members from the global south that have volunteered for hosting national-level workshops. There was discussion about the utility and difficulty in funding organizations with lesser capacity to put together national level workshops at this stage, and that regional training workshops for these colleagues and others from specific regions might be a good strategic move for TAP to then take forward national-level workshops in the future. It was also noted that there were no proposals for national-level workshops in Asia. It was highlighted that for these proposed workshops, TAP may need to cover travel costs for participants if it’s a regional (or sub-regional) workshops.

**Decision:** TAP to explore hosting regional Goal 16 workshops to help train colleagues from various regions to take forward national-level Goal 16 workshops.

**Decision:** Requests the TAP Secretariat to draft proposals for regional-level workshops for the consideration of the TAP Steering Committee.
5. **Update on consultants for governance review and capacity building**

**Discussion:** TAP Secretariat provided an update on the status of the consultants for the governance review and capacity building, noting that these consultants would start the following week of 29 May 2017.

6. **Discussion on approach to “Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies” Initiative**

**Decision:** TAP strategy towards various SDG16 related initiatives to be discussed on next TAP Steering Committee Call.

**Decision:** The Steering Committee requested the Secretariat to compile a briefing on each of these initiatives for the next Steering Committee call discussions on strategy.

**Discussion:** It was noted that the Steering Committee needed to have further strategic discussions on how to work with the Pathfinders, Global Alliance for Reporting on Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies, and 16+ Forum going forward. For this, the Steering Committee would need to have more information on these different initiatives and how we currently engage with them. It was proposed to have the first agenda item on next Steering Committee call to discuss strategy and approach to these various initiatives. It was also agreed that TAP should hold off on sending the Pathfinders “Roadmap” to TAP Members at this current stage, to avoid misleading Network to think that we are endorsing this work, before having strategic discussions first with Steering Committee.

7. **AOB**