TAP Network Indicators Working Group

October 8, 2015

Present:  
Ms. Fiona Bradley, The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA)  
Mr. Tom Cardamone, Global Financial Integrity  
Ms. Ulrika Soneson Cilliers, Save the Children  
Mr. Jack Cornforth, CIVICUS  
Ms. Stacey Cram, Namati  
Mr. Craig Fagan, Transparency International  
Ms. Sarah Haynes, Restless Development  
Mr. Liam Kincaid, TAP Network Deputy Coordinator  
Mr. Bill Orme, Global Forum for Media Development  
Mr. Rick Orser, World Federalist Movement Canada (WFMC)  
Mr. John Romano, TAP Network Coordinator  
Ms. Claire Schouten, International Budget Partnership  
Mr. Thomas Wheeler, Saferworld

Next meeting: TBD

OUTCOMES FROM CALL:

• Timeline for finalizing TAP Metadata tables:  
  o 14 October 2015: Drafting Groups Inputs Finalized, and sent to TAP Network Coordinator for compilation  
  o 15-18 October 2015: Final Review of entire compilation of inputs by entire TAP Data/Indicators Working Group.  
  o 19-21 October 2015: FINAL Document sent around for endorsements by all TAP Network organizations

• All Drafting Group Leads will liaise with their entire drafting group to finalize these inputs by deadline of 14 October, to ensure consensus view.

• Agreement to draft a brief on “non-official data” and on “role of survey/experiential data,” and a synthesis of top-line messages for TAP advocacy for IAEG-SDGs.

Follow-Up Actions:  
• TAP Coordinators to send out minutes of conference call.
TAP Coordinators to follow-up with child focus organizations for inputs on indicator 16.2 and the UNDP Virtual Network; and the Praia City Group.

TAP Coordinator to pull out content from previous TAP Network position papers on third-party data to be used in third party data open letter/position paper and put it into a Google doc and sent out to working group.

MEETING MINUTES

Key Issues Addressed:

1.1 Updates TAP Network Data/Indicators Working Group:

- Mr. Tom Wheeler, Saferworld:
  - Noted that work has begun on 16.1 drafting, and will coordinate with the group to finalize these inputs.
- Mr. John Romano, TAP Network Coordinator:
  - Noted there are no inputs for Drafting Group 16.2.
  - However, the Coordinators will outreach to child focus organizations to see if it is possible to receive any inputs for Drafting Group 16.2.
  - If necessary, the Coordinators can synthesis this section if there is no volunteers to take on the drafting leads.
- Ms. Ulrika Soneson Cilliers, Save the Children:
  - Noted there is an agreed document from child focus agencies in New York for indicator 16.2.
- Mr. Tom Cardamone, Global Financial Integrity:
  - Noted some governments have come out against language within the latest list of indicators proposals. Mainly on language concerning “illicit financial flows”.
  - The objection is based on the notion there is no universal accepted definition of “illicit financial flows”. In addition, the European Commission, the IMF and the World Bank have come out against it as well.
  - Underscored the Network might have to do some outreach to include language based on our inputs.
- Mr. Craig Fagan, Transparency International:
  - Noted the drafting group on 16.5 are still open for inputs concerning the linkage between corruption and other elements of the SDGs.
- Mr. John Romano, TAP Network Coordinator:
  - Noted Drafting Group 16.8 does not have any drafting leads or much inputs. Unless we have volunteers to take on the drafting leads or provide inputs the Coordinators would have to omit 16.8.
• Mr. Thomas Wheeler, Saferworld:
  o Requested more metadata if available from members of the working group on “Percentage of Official Development Assistance devoted to institution-building” for 16.a.

• Mr. John Romano, TAP Network Coordinator:
  o Noted Drafting Group 16.b does not have any drafting leads or much inputs. Unless we have volunteers to take on the drafting leads or provide inputs the Coordinators would have to omit 16.b.

1.2 Next Steps on the Indicators Framework:
• Mr. John Romano, TAP Network Coordinator:
  o Underscored we will be conducting advocacy at least a week before the 2nd Meeting of the IAEG-SDGs.
  o Deadlines for Inputs:
    ▪ 14 October 2015: Drafting Groups Inputs Finalized, and sent to TAP Network Coordinator for compilation
    ▪ 19-21 October 2015: FINAL Document sent around for endorsements by all TAP Network organizations

• Ms. Claire Schouten, International Budget Partnership asked if we should have a rapid response team if an updated version of the list of proposed indicators is released during the 2nd Meeting of the IAEG-SDGs.

• Mr. John Romano, TAP Network Coordinator agreed it would be good to have a rapid response team if an updated version of the list of proposed indicators is released during the 2nd Meeting of the IAEG-SDGs.

• Ms. Ulrika Soneson Cilliers, Save the Children asked how our inputs will be presented for our advocacy.

• Mr. John Romano, TAP Network Coordinator:
  o Stated once our inputs are finalized there will be individual documents for each indicators that will sent out for endorsements which members can use for our advocacy.
  o In addition, there will be a compendium document with all our inputs for each indicators.

1.3 Advocacy around the 2nd Meeting of the IAEG-SDGs:
• Mr. John Romano, TAP Network Coordinator:
  o Requested members to fill out the Google form to notify the Coordinators whether you will be attending the 2nd Meeting of the IAEG-SDGs, in Bangkok.
  o Noted the Coordinators will be organizing meetings for members with NSOs during the 2nd Meeting of the IAEG-SDGs, in Bangkok.
Noted the TAP Network had 6-8 members confirmed for the 2nd Meeting of the IAEG-SDGs, in Bangkok.

However, the process of selecting technical experts for the 2nd Meeting of the IAEG-SDGs, in Bangkok was not an open and transparent process.

Put forward the idea of drafting an open letter to the Co-Chairs or the UN Statistical Commission to highlight the closed process for consultations with the IAEG-SDGs.

- Mr. Jack Cornforth, CIVICUS stressed it would be good for members to advocate for third party data in monitoring the SDGs during the 2nd Meeting of the IAEG-SDGs, in Bangkok.
- Mr. John Romano, TAP Network Coordinator asked if members would be interested in drafting an open letter or position paper on third party data before the 2nd Meeting of the IAEG-SDGs, in Bangkok.
- Mr. Jack Cornforth, CIVICUS and Ms. Ulrika Soneson Cilliers, Save the Children recommended we pull out content from previous TAP Network position papers on third-party data to use it in our third party data open letter/position paper.
- Mr. John Romano, TAP Network Coordinator noted the Coordinators can pull out content from previous TAP Network position papers on third-party data to use in our third party data open letter/position paper and put it into a Google doc.