TAP Network Steering Committee

11 June 2018

Present:  
Mr. Louis Busingye, HRFRA  
Mr. Rukshana Nanayakkara, Transparency International  
Ms. Coco Lammers, Namati  
Mr. Zia Ur-Rehman, ADA  
Mr. John Romano, TAP Secretariat  

Not Present: Ms. Hellen Malinga Apila, SDG Kenya Forum  

Next meeting:  
Friday 22 June 2018

Chairing Meeting:  
Mr. Rukshana Nanayakkara

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

**Agenda Items:**

1. **Review and approval of last Steering Committee meeting notes**  
Decision: Approval of Decisions and Notes from TAP Network in-person Steering Committee on 25 May 2018.

2. **Partnerships updates**  
Discussion: The TAP Coordinator provided an update on the status of the SDG Accountability Handbook, noting that a general lack of inputs from TAP Network Members has led to more research needed by TAP’s consultant for the project, which has led to a delay in the release of the Handbook until October or November potentially. TAP will still host a workshop around the 2018 HLPF in an effort to further consult on the content for the Handbook, which will be held on Friday 13 July 2018. It was noted that Steering Committee members would like to contribute content, and the TAP Coordinator would share an updated template to solicit this content from Steering Committee members when produced by the consultant. The Steering Committee then discussed a planned SDG16+ Retreat to be held in New York on 22 June 2018, hosted by the 3 main Member States initiatives around SDG16. It was agreed that Coco Lammers from Namati would cover this meeting for TAP, given that the TAP Coordinator would be in Berlin for another meeting those days. Finally, the TAP Coordinator provided an update on the status of the TAP Fellowship hiring, with all agreeing that the Coordinator should be responsible for selecting and hiring for this position, and updating the Steering Committee upon selection.
Decision: Coco Lammers from Namati will represent the TAP Network at SDG16+ Retreat on 22 June 2018

3. Review of “Wish list” and budget for 2019 HLPF for Mott Foundation

Discussion: The TAP Coordinator presented a draft of a “wish list” for the 2019 HLPF that had been put together upon request by the Mott Foundation. Additionally, the TAP Coordinator provided a breakdown of a preliminary budget that would be ideal for implementing the objectives on this wish list. It was noted that the wish list should include references to the fact that TAP will be hosting workshops in 2018, and that 2019 workshops would be a continuation of that work. After discussing both of these documents, the Steering Committee approved them to be submitted to the Mott Foundation. The TAP Coordinator will continue to provide updates to the Steering Committee on this proposal process to the Mott Foundation as time goes on.

Decision: Approval of wish list for 2019 HLPF and corresponding budget for Mott Foundation proposal

4. Review of TAP Network Partner applications

Discussion: The Steering Committee reviewed the full set of applications for TAP Network Partners, with suggestions and notes from the TAP Coordinator on the robustness and clarity of the applications. A total of 45 Applications were approved as TAP Partners, with 2 applications requiring additional follow-up for more specific commitments before being considered or approved as TAP Partners for 2018.

Decision: Approval of the following organizations as TAP Network Partners:
1. Centa For Organisational Development
2. Asia Development Alliance (ADA)
3. International Governance Institute
4. Management and Sustainable Development Institute (MSD)
5. CITIZENS FOR JUSTICE, EMPLOYMENT AND TRANSPARENCY (C-JET)
6. Institute for Democracy and Mediation
7. American Bar Association Rule of Law Initiative
8. Peace & Justice Network Pakistan
9. Civil Society Coalition on Sustainable Development
10. Union des Amis Socio Culturels d’Action en Développement (UNASCAD)
11. Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative (CHRI)
12. Regional Center for International Development Corporation
13. Saferworld
14. Italian Diplomatic Academy
15. Osi Joe Touching Lives Initiative
16. Asia Dalit Rights Forum
17. HALLO BANGLADESH
18. Economic Justice Network Sierra Leone
19. Article 19
20. Badhon Manob Unnayan Sangstha
21. NGO federation Of Nepal
22. Asociación Ambiente y Sociedad
23. Bridging for Sustainable Development (BSD)
24. Projonma Academy
25. Women for Peace & Gender Equality initiative
26. Namati
27. CSYM HUDUMA-TECDEN-MAN (Christian Spiritual Youth Ministry)
28. Beyond Beijing Committee
29. International NGO Forum on Indonesian Development (INFID)
30. Society for Economic Empowerment and Entrepreneurship Development (SEEED)
31. Climate Watch Thailand
32. Chile Transparente, Transparency International Chile
33. Youths in Action
34. West Africa Civil Society Institute
35. Change The System
36. International Budget Partnership
37. Candid Concepts Development
38. Desh Seba Sangstha
39. Development & Integrity Intervention Goal Foundation
40. Osi Joe Touching Lives Initiative
41. Pakistan Development Alliance –PDA
42. Centre for Human Rights and Climate Change Research
43. Aid Organization
44. Advocacy, Research, Training and Services (ARTS) Foundation
45. Liberians United to Promote Society Safety and Development (LUPSSAD)

5. Review of nominations for TAP Regional Focal Points and 2018 HLPF travel funding

Discussion: The Steering committee reviewed and discussed the candidates for the TAP Regional Focal Points, particularly noting the lack of candidates in Asia and Latin America. Due to the lack of candidates for these opportunities in these regions, the Steering Committee unanimously agreed to extend the deadline to gain more applicants in these regions until Sunday 17 June 2018. The Steering Committee members agreed to undertake more outreach to find and encourage qualified candidates from these regions to apply. For the African Regional Focal Point, the Steering Committee unanimously agreed that the TAP Network Partners from Africa would vote on selecting this Focal Point, as opposed to having the Steering Committee decide on them themselves. The Steering Committee also briefly discussed the next steps for deciding on 2018 HLPF travel funding recipients, with the Steering Committee again unanimously agreeing that the TAP Coordinator should provide recommendations for a shortlist of qualified candidates to choose from, where the Steering
Committee would vote on via a voting sheet over the course of the week. The Steering Committee committed to casting their votes by no later than Friday 15 June 2018.

**Decision:** Extension of Regional Focal Point application process in Latin America and Asia until Sunday 17 June 2018.

Decision: Launch of a ballot for TAP Partners in Africa to vote for TAP Africa Regional Focal Point.

Decision: TAP Coordinator to shortlist nominees for TAP HLPF 2018 travel funding, with Steering Committee voting via voting sheet by no later than Friday 15 June 2018.

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