

# TAP Network Steering Committee

## Meeting Decisions

25 May 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:** Monday 11 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 11 May 2018.

#### **2. Partnerships updates**

**Discussion:** The TAP Coordinator provided an update on the status of a potential funding proposal to the Mott Foundation, who have asked for a “wish list” of objectives for the 2019 HLPF. We can use the TAP Strategic Refresh document as a foundation for our wish list, and the TAP Coordinator will coordinate this with the co-chairs. It was agreed that the TAP Coordinator would work with the co-chairs to put together an initial draft of this wishlist, along with an indicative budget to achieve this wish list, which would be reviewed on the next Steering Committee call. The TAP Coordinator also provided an update on the status of the drafting of the SDG Accountability Handbook, which has encountered a delay, given the limited inputs received by TAP Members with substantive content for many of the sections. It was agreed that a global launch event would be best held after the UN General Assembly, along with other launch events at other regional or international gatherings, as well as a digital web-launch. The TAP Coordinator also highlighted that TAP will host a workshop around the SDG Accountability Handbook at the 2018 HLPF on Friday 13 July 2018. Finally, the Steering Committee discussed the process for taking decisions on the TAP Regional Focal Points and nominations for 2018 HLPF travel funding, with unanimous agreement that the deadline should be extended until 8 June, with nominations being reviewed by the Steering Committee on Monday 11 June 2018.

**Decision:** Extension of deadline for TAP Regional Focal Point and 2018 HLPF travel funding nominations to 8 June 2018, with decisions to be taken on 11 June 2018.

**Follow-up:** TAP Coordinator to work with co-chairs to draft initial wish list of objectives for 2019 HLPF and budget, to be reviewed by Steering Committee on next call.

### **3. 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. The Steering Committee discussed the challenge that they might have to vet all of the organizations that apply to become TAP Partners to ensure that their applications are legitimate, and agreed that the reporting process on the status of their commitments will be an important way to ensure that these TAP Partners are remaining engaged. It was noted that the website showcasing these TAP Partners should include a disclaimer about the fact that TAP Partners were approved based on the commitments that they made. 15 Applications were approved as TAP Partners, with 5 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) Documentation and Information Network for Indigenous Peoples' Sustainability (DINIPS)
- 2) Association for the Promotion of Sustainable Development (#8)
- 3) Think Centre (Singapore)
- 4) World Vision International
- 5) AfroLeadership
- 6) Our Lady of Perpetual Help Initiative(OLPHI)
- 7) Human Rights First Rwanda Association
- 8) Badhon Manob Unnayan Sangstha
- 9) CAFSO-WRAG for Development
- 10) Pakistan NGOs Forum
- 11) African Law Foundation
- 12) The Center for the Defence of Human rights and Democracy (CDHD)
- 13) Partnership for Transparency
- 14) Greenspring development initiative
- 15) National Campaign for Sustainable Development Nepal (NACASUD-Nepal)

### **4. Review of TAP Privacy Statement and discussion on TAP “Membership”**

**Discussion:** The Steering committee reviewed and discussed a draft of the new TAP Network Privacy Statement put together by the TAP Secretariat. There was a discussion on

how this new privacy statement affected TAP Membership, given that TAP's "Membership" is based on colleagues who had subscribed to the TAP listserv originally. It was agreed that any colleagues based in the EU that did not opt-in to the TAP mailing list would unfortunately have to be removed as TAP Members, given this previously outlined membership criteria. It was also noted that the current content on the TAP website would all need to become GDPR compliant, as would the wordpress hosting platform.

**Decision:** Approval of TAP Network Privacy Statement.

**5. AOB**

