

TAP Network Steering Committee

Meeting Decisions

28 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 27 July 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 June 2018.

2. Partnerships updates

Discussion: Coco Lammers from Namati provided an overview of the discussions from the recent SDG16+ Retreat in New York, hosted by the three main Member States-driven SDG16+ initiatives. Coco noted that the group would share the outcomes and notes from the meeting in due course, which she would share with the rest of the Steering Committee. There was a discussion about the possibility of another meeting of these groups in 2018 as well. The TAP Coordinator then provided an overview of the HLPF/UN Development System Reform meeting in Berlin. It was noted that this would be the first of many meetings, with an additional meeting hosted in New York around the HLPF on 19 July 2018. It was also noted that the Steering Committee would need to have a strategy discussion on how to approach advocacy around these processes after the HLPF. The Steering Committee then reviewed an opportunity to engage as part of the “advisory group” for a new SDG16 “Hub” hosted by UNDP. There were questions from the Steering Committee about how this Hub relates to TAP’s plans to host an online platform for civil society around TAP’s work and SDG16. It was agreed that TAP should have someone sitting on this advisory group to ensure that it is directed down the right path, and avoids overlap with TAP’s potential future work. The Steering Committee agreed that Rukshana from TI and the TAP Coordinator would coordinate work around the HLPF reform discussions; that Coco and

Namati would be the Steering Committee's focal point around the SDG16+ initiatives; and that Louis from HRFRA and the TAP Coordinator would coordinate work around the SDG16 Hub.

Decision: Approval of becoming a member of the "Advisory Group" for UNDP SDG16 Hub.

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. A total of 6 Applications were approved as TAP Partners.

Decision: Approval of the following organizations as TAP Network Partners:

1. Bangladesh NGOs Network for Radio and Communication
2. Centre for Law and Democracy
3. BANGLADESH MODEL YOUTH PARLIAMENT
4. Asociación Chilena de ONG ACCION
5. NGO Federation of Nepal (NFN)
6. World Federation of United Nations Associations

4. Review of nominations for TAP Regional Focal Points

Discussion: The Steering Committee discussed the applications for the all three regions for the TAP Regional Focal Point nomination process. For the Africa region, it was noted that it would be most prudent to have Regional Focal Points from East and West Africa sub-regions, as TAP is well represented in West Africa, and generally lacking in East Africa. It was therefore decided that CCCSD from Nigeria would serve as the West Africa Regional Focal Point with Saferworld Somaliland serving as the East Africa Regional Focal Point. For the Asia Region, the Steering Committee unanimously selected NGO Federation Nepal as the Asia Regional Focal Point. For the Latin America region, the Steering Committee unanimously selected Asociación Chilena de ONG ACCION as the LAC Regional Focal Point.

Decision: Selection of the following Regional Focal Points:

- West Africa: CCCSD
- East Africa: Saferworld Somaliland
- Asia: NGO Federation Nepal
- Latin America: Asociación Chilena de ONG ACCION.

5. AOB

Discussion: It was noted that the Steering Committee would need to have a full discussion around strategy and budget for the remainder of 2018 after the 2018 HLPF. An opportunity for potential fundraising was also noted, through the GIZ 2030 Transformation funds.