TAP Network Steering Committee 2022 - 2023

Meeting Decisions

2 March 2022

Present:  
Mr. Peter van Sluijs, CSPPS  
Ms. Cheri-Leigh Erasmus, Accountability Lab  
Ms. Arelys Bellerini, World Vision  
Ms. Olabisi Mekwuye, Civil Society Coalition on Sustainable Development  
Mr. Tor Holdenfield, CIVICUS  
Ms. Bridged Faida, Consolation East Africa  
Mr. John Romano, TAP Secretariat  
Ms. Claudia Villalona, TAP Secretariat  
Ms. Ellery Wong, TAP Secretariat

Chairing Meeting 
Mr. Tor Holdenfield, CIVICUS

Next meeting 
2 March 2022

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

**Agenda Items:**

1. Review and approval of joint Steering Committee Call Notes (5 minutes)
2. Decisions and next steps on TAP funding opportunities (30 minutes)  
   a. Review of final shortlist and decisions  
   b. Next Steps
3. Review and discussion of Costa Rica TAP in-person Steering Committee meeting (15 minutes)  
   a. Review of draft agenda  
   b. Logistics and final planning
4. Partnership updates (10 minutes)  
   a. Proposal to Mott Foundation for “2023 Mobilization”  
   b. Renewal of mandate for UN Democracy Fund
5. Review of TAP Partner Applications (5 minutes)
6. AOB

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1. **Review and Approval of last Steering Committee Call Notes**

**Discussion:**

You can find the notes from the last Steering Committee call on 16 February 2022 here:

**DECISIONS: The Steering Committee moved to approve the call notes from the Steering Committee call on 16 February 2022**

2. **Decisions and next steps on TAP funding opportunities (30 minutes)**  
   a. Review of final shortlist and decisions  
   b. Next Steps
**Discussion:**

For your reference, you can find all of the materials you’ll need to collectively take decisions around these funding opportunities below:

- ***FOR REVIEW/DECISIONS: Overview and options for decision-making***
  - TAP2022FundingShortlistOverview.docx
- Google Folder with shortlists and all proposals and budgets
  - [https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/107yYPjvPaSEBBHGO07clVdPzY_Oi9Mf4?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/107yYPjvPaSEBBHGO07clVdPzY_Oi9Mf4?usp=sharing)

*** Note: CSCSD will recuse themselves from decision-making and this discussion, given that they are one of the organizations under review for these opportunities.

Capacity Strengthening
- Three options for the capacity building workshop (see above)
- Suggests doing first option of funding the first two ranked proposals
- Open the floor to decision-making
  - Who are we funding and for how much should be decided
- World Vision does support Nepal Federation is doing really great, not interested in lowering
  - Support 2nd and 3rd
  - But supportive of option 1
- CSPPS Strive towards coordination over competition
- Why not Sri Lanka
- The suggestions take into account regional balance and double funding
  - NFN above Sri Lanka given that the former is ranked first for the innovation fund

Innovation Fund
- CSPPS and world vision are concerned that funding Nigeria may be too much funding
  - Competative region?
  - Supportive of Sri Lanka proposal
  - ADA has other funding sources
- Go to Sri Lanka and request proposals for rest of funding for under represented regions

**Decisions:**
- Capacity building - took option one
- Innovation Fund

3. Review and discussion of Costa Rica TAP in-person Steering Committee meeting (15 minutes)
   - Review of draft agenda
   - Logistics and final planning

**Discussion:**

Follow up bilaterally to follow up on travel logistics, particularly Bridged and Bisi
And provide more information on the agenda and CSO workshop during the showcase

No steering Committee call next Wednesday, just the in person meeting
Send cal invite
4. Partnership updates (10 minutes)
a. Proposal to Mott Foundation for “2023 Mobilization”
b. Renewal of mandate for UN Democracy Fund

Discussion:

The TAP Coordinator met with a colleague from the Mott Foundation last week to discuss plans for mobilizing around the key 2023 “moments”, including the 2023 SDGs Summit, the proposed “Summit for the Future” and the Our Common Agenda discussions. After discussions, Mott Foundation could be open to providing additional funding support for TAP to take on additional work to mobilize around these key moments - something that was not included in our current grant proposal/agreement. Mott Foundation has indicated that they have around $200,000 in available funding, but I’m not sure if they intend on also propping up support for other grantees with that funding amount in addition to TAP.

Based on discussions with Mott Foundation, for your reference, you can find an outline of a draft proposal for additional funding from the Mott Foundation for supporting TAP’s mobilization around the 2023 “moments” in the google doc here: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1j7_AAYsbOqWZLOHAqhAfZ4z7SbUqamEp/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=117975708890673030335&rtpof=true&sd=true

5. Review of TAP Partner Applications (5 minutes)

Discussion

You can find the information from all of the organizations that have applied to become TAP Network Partners in the last two weeks: Partner Applications 2-15-22.pdf

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