TAP Network Steering Committee - 2020-2021 Steering Committee

Meeting Decisions

29 January 2021

Present: Mr. Peter van Sluijs, CSPPS

Ms. Florence Syevuo, SDG Kenya Forum

Ms. Linh Nyugen, ADA

Mr. John Romano, TAP Secretariat

Ms. Jean Scrimgeour, Accountability Lab Ms. Claudia Villalona, TAP Secretariat Ms. Judith Kaulem, Poverty Reduction

Forum Trust

Absent:

10 February 2021

Next meeting:

Judith Kaulem, PRFT

Chairing Meeting:

<u>DECISIONS TAKEN FROM CONFERENCE CALL IN GREEN; FOLLOW-UP ITEMS IN BLUE Agenda Items:</u>

- 1. Review and Approval of last Steering Committee Call Notes and decisions between calls (5 minutes)
- 2. Discussion on Fundraising and Updates (30 minutes)
 - a. Review of Swiss Grant Proposal
 - b. Discussion on Mott Foundation Funding beyond 2021
 - c. Future fundraising plans
- 3. Review of Mott Foundation Interim Report (10 minutes)
- 4. Update on TAP Communications and Outreach Job Opening (minutes)
- 5. Review of TAP Partner Applications (5 minutes)
- 6. AOB

1. Review and Approval of last Steering Committee Call Notes Discussion:

You can find the last Steering Committee Call notes from January 15, 2021 in the google doc

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bNv6oKiDjB2jEZgVn7NHK-98Ng3D53aX/edit

Confirming decisions taken by email between calls:

- Revised Terms of Reference for TAP Steering Committee
- Revised Work Plan for 2021
- Changing regular bi-weekly calls from Friday to Wednesday
- Confirming secondary representatives for TAP Steering Committee organizations

DECISIONS

The Steering Committee moved to approve the last Steering Committee call notes from the 15 of January 2021.

2.	Discussion on Fundraising and Updates (30 minutes)
	b. Discussion on Mott Foundation Funding beyond 2021
	c. Future fundraising plans

Discussion:

The Secretariat reminded the Steering Committee that the new strategic planning process will begin at the start of next year, 2022. In soliciting feedback from the Steering Committee on the latest draft proposal, it was suggested that the vision and the theory of change be more succinct.

The Secretariat proceeded to update members on Mott Foundation funding beyond 2021.

However, some members worried that adding more to the WorkPlan, especially around new product development, can take away focus on the current priorities that were decided upon. As



On the topic of fundraising, the secretariat suggested that the Steering Committee turn attention to funding and dedicate a meeting on discussing possible fundraising strategy in the next few weeks.

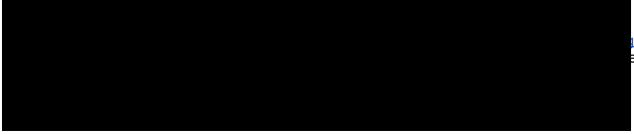
Decisions:

The Steering Committee decided to keep the current working plan for 2021 as is without adding access to justice programs, even if this results in a decrease in funding from Mott.

Follow up:

 Securing another source of funding will be necessary ahead of 2022. The Steering Committee should plan on a dedicated discussion on fundraising strategy in the coming weeks.

3. Review of Mott Foundation Interim Report (10 minutes)



Follow up:

- The Steering Committee should provide edits or comments to the shared google doc of the draft interim narrative report ASAP, by Monday February 1.
- 4. <u>Update on TAP Communications and Outreach Job Opening (minutes)</u>

Discussion:

The TAP Communications and Outreach Officer left the meeting for this Agenda item.

Decision:

All decisions and follow ups were made over email correspondence.

5. Review of TAP Partner Applications (5 minutes)

There were no new partner applications to review since the last Steering Committee meeting.

6. AOB

- SDG16+ Civil Society Toolkit Advisory Group call
- TAP Hosting next SDG16+ Community Meeting
- Follow-up on TAP Working Groups
- Listserv discussion

Discussion:

The Secretariat let members of the Steering Committee know that it plans to hold the first Advisory Group meeting for the SDG 16+ Toolkit next week. It will also host the next SDG16 Global Community meeting.

Additionally, the Secretariat will host a membership engagement call and send a newsletter reminding the membership of the engagement opportunities for this year and to follow up on Jeans email from the co-chairs-- introducing them to the membership.

The Secretariat will also reach out to all those who signed up for the Working Groups ahead of the next Steering Committee call, as well as set up the Whatsapp group to all those who expressed interest in the Membership Refresh form. The whatsapp group can give a space to those who wish to have more active discussions not possible on the listserv emails, where the posting guidelines ask members to keep emails to a minimum. The Secretariat will also reach out to the member that recently made a complaint regarding these guidelines.

Follow up:

- The Secretariat will keep the Steering committee updated on the Advisory Group call for the SDG 16 Toolkit as well as the next SDG16 Global Community Meeting (to be hosted by TAP in the months ahead)
- the Secretariat will host a membership engagement call and send a newsletter reminding the membership of the engagement opportunities for this year and to introduce the new SC co-chairs
- It will reach out to all those who signed up for the Working Groups ahead of the next Steering Committee call, as well as set up the Whatsapp group to all those who expressed interest
- Finally, it will also reach out to the member that recently made a complaint regarding these guidelines.