

Results Measurement Group Minutes
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Participants

Susanne Hartmann, GIZ
Merten Sievers, Eva Majurin, ILO
Peter Tschumi, SDC
Claudio Volonte, IFC

Jim Tanburn, Melina Heinrich, Secretariat
Apologies
Henk van Trigt, Mirjam Hansen, Netherlands
MoFA; Nabanita Sen, Secretariat

A list of action items agreed can be found in the [Annex](#).

Member Updates

GIZ: The Innovation Promotion Programme in Tunisia is applying the DCED Standard and presented its work at the staff retreat in August. Philipp Essl will soon conduct a pre-audit review. The group invited the Programme's manager to speak at a future meeting, focusing on the application of the Standard in a non-M4P programme. Programmes in Mozambique and Nigeria have also shown interest to apply the Standard. Susanne Hartmann leaves GIZ HQ soon, and will be replaced in the group by Birgit Seibel (who is currently a member of the DCED's group on PSD in Conflict-Affected Environments).

SDC: Peter Tschumi is also moving shortly to Myanmar; his successor will probably be in place early-2013. In the meantime, Hans Ramm, supported by Lea Zanola, will participate in the scope of the scarce time available. Swiss ODA is currently increasing, and existing and new country frameworks have been adjusted accordingly. These include results frameworks using elements of the Standard. He encouraged DCED presence at two upcoming events: In the second week of May 2013, SDC is planning an event in Switzerland with all employment and income staff (from county and HQs). Also, a M4P cum results measurement workshop is planned in Spring 2013 in Latin America. Jim Tanburn will follow up with Alexandra Sagarra (who will change function by end of the year too).

IFC: The IFC is reviewing its standard indicators, to ensure consistent definitions and application; Claudio Volonte will share the outcomes with the group. The IFC is also training staff in project design, logical frameworks and theories of change. It will also resume the Annual Results Measurement Conference, in the last week of March 2013 in Washington DC. The DCED group should consider a back-to-back meeting with the Conference.

ILO: Merten Sievers introduced Eva Majurin, who has joined the ILO enterprise team with responsibility for monitoring and evaluation, with a focus on the DCED Standard. Many ILO projects that have recently started or are about to start will apply the DCED Standard, as stipulated in their project documents. ILO is now looking into developing in-house capacity through training etc. on the Standard. The enterprise team has been invited by the evaluation department to present on the Standard in October.

Status Report, TOR for guidelines on good measurement practices and next steps

A status report had been circulated to members of the group before the meeting, so was not reiterated in detail, to save time. Peter Tschumi asked that the Standard webpage be reviewed, in particular to consider how to describe the architecture of the Standard.

ToR to produce guidelines for good measurement practice had also previously been circulated to the group, and were approved during the meeting. BMZ/GIZ has indicated a willingness to fund this work as part of its contribution to the work plan of DCED.

Significant momentum has been gained at the Seminar in Bangkok in January, which was followed by work to scope out the demand for the Standard, leading to an ambitious work plan proposed to and approved by the DCED Annual Meeting. To implement the work plan, monies have to be disbursed from the Trust Fund. Claudio Volonte noted that there now is a Child Trust Fund for the group, and that he will act as Task Leader of this Trust Fund.

While over the whole financial year, enough funding will be available from member contributions to implement the work plan, not all contributions will be made in the first half of the financial year. Claudio Volonte and Jim Tanburn will make a proposal to the group on how best to sequence the work items in the work plan. This will include a proposal on how the 120 extra working days beyond the current Secretariat capacity will be allocated (e.g. through a number of consultants who will take on different packages of work, or a new Secretariat staff member), taking into account the shortage of qualified people and IFC procurement options.

Membership of the group; next meeting

The group also discussed how to best deal with current changes in member participation in the group. The next group meeting will be held face-to-face at ILO in Geneva in the week of the 26th of November, to better get to know new participants. Merten Sievers will propose a date to the group. Members of the group, and the Secretariat, will continue to encourage other member agencies to join.

Jim Tanburn warmly thanked Susanne Hartmann and Peter Tschumi for their valuable contributions to the DCED's results measurement work and wished them every success in their imminent moves.

Annex: Action Items Agreed

What?	Who?	By when?
Inform the Secretariat about possible follow-up actions needed vis-à-vis new GIZ programmes piloting the Standard	Susanne Hartmann / successor	-
Follow-up with SDC on dates of Latin America workshop	Jim Tanburn	Asap
Review the RM webpage to consider how to make it more clear	Secretariat	Asap
Make proposal on the group on how to best sequence and implement the work plan	Claudio Volonte and Jim Tanburn	Asap after 23 September
Propose date for next meeting	Merten Sievers	Asap