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# INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REVIEW

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# MANDATE – REFOCUSING CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE ON:

- » Poorest and most vulnerable
- » Fragile states



# PRIORITIES

Feminist approach to all international assistance, including:



health and rights of women and children



clean economic growth and climate change



governance, pluralism, diversity, and human rights



peace and security



responding to humanitarian crises and the needs of displaced populations



Delivering Results: Improving effectiveness and transparency, Innovation, Partnerships

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- » How can Canada deliver its international assistance most efficiently and effectively, and better measure results?





# HEALTH AND RIGHTS OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN



- » Gender equality, rights promotion, empowerment are central
- » 2030 Agenda to end discrimination, invest in children
- » Strengthen Canadian leadership: gender equality, maternal, newborn and child health
- » End violence and create opportunities through education and skills development





# QUESTIONS

- » Building on our commitment to a feminist approach and support for the gender equality goal of the 2030 Agenda, where should Canada focus its international assistance efforts in this area? Can Canada take advantage of specific opportunities to demonstrate new or continued leadership on women's empowerment and gender equality?
- » How can Canada's efforts to support well-being and empowerment better benefit children and youth, including in the education sector?







# QUESTIONS

- » What strategic role can Canada play in advancing health-related SDGs to improve the health of women and girls, including adolescents, in particular their sexual and reproductive health and rights?



# CLEAN ECONOMIC GROWTH AND CLIMATE CHANGE



- » Sustainable and inclusive economic growth key to poverty reduction
- » Current approaches unsustainable
- » 2030 Agenda links economic, social, environmental action
- » Canada committed to addressing climate change







# QUESTIONS

- » Where has Canada added value in promoting clean sustainable economic growth?
- » How can Canada support developing countries to mitigate and adapt to climate change?
- » Are there niche areas within climate and environment (e.g. water, biodiversity, land use, agriculture, energy) where Canada could further focus its international assistance?





# GOVERNANCE, PLURALISM, DIVERSITY, AND HUMAN RIGHTS



- » Key to accountability, social cohesion, equitable participation
- » 2030 Agenda links these issues to sustainable development
- » Helps governments better serve their people
- » Canadian best practices to share with others







# QUESTIONS

- » How can Canada best help implement Goal 16 of the 2030 Agenda-to promote peaceful and inclusive societies, provide access to justice for all, and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels?
- » How can Canada promote inclusion, advance respect for diversity, and uphold human rights?
- » In what areas of governance can Canada's international assistance have the most impact?



# PEACE AND SECURITY



- » Conflicts, crises more complex, difficult to resolve
- » 2030 Agenda highlight peace and development links
- » Development efforts help tackle root causes of conflict, state fragility





# PEACE AND SECURITY



- » New directions in stabilization: peace ops, conflict prevention, mediation
- » Threat reduction: counter-terrorism, anti-crime, non-proliferation





# QUESTIONS

- » What specific strengths should Canada build upon to respond to peace and security challenges?
- » How can Canada align its international assistance efforts in peace and security with international approaches, including the 2030 Agenda?
- » What kind of international assistance partnerships should Canada pursue to achieve its peace and security goals?





# RESPONDING TO HUMANITARIAN CRISES AND THE NEEDS OF DISPLACED POPULATIONS



- » Record numbers of people need international assistance
- » Development gains for 2030 Agenda are threatened
- » Affected civilian populations difficult to access and protect



# RESPONDING TO HUMANITARIAN CRISES AND THE NEEDS OF DISPLACED POPULATIONS



- » Resilience-strengthening of host and displaced populations critical
- » Canadian leadership strengthened through new approaches and partnerships







# QUESTIONS

- » How can Canada support needs-driven, effective and timely responses to humanitarian crises with predictable yet flexible support?
- » How can Canada better support the protection of vulnerable populations in crises and strengthen respect for humanitarian principles?
- » How can we facilitate more comprehensive and coordinated responses to better meet the needs of populations affected by crises and optimize the impact of humanitarian, development and peace and security initiatives?



# DELIVERING RESULTS: IMPROVING EFFECTIVENESS AND TRANSPARENCY, INNOVATION, PARTNERSHIPS



- » Building on our comparative advantages
- » Using more innovative programming mechanisms
- » Fostering partnerships to achieve lasting result







# QUESTIONS

- » What concrete steps could Canada take to make its international assistance delivery approaches and mechanisms more efficient, effective and innovative? How can we promote greater coherence between our development, trade and diplomacy efforts?
- » How can Canada foster development innovation?
- » Which organizations, communities, coalitions or partnerships should Canada work with? How best can we work with them to deliver our international assistance objectives?





# QUESTIONS


- » How can we engage a wider range of partners to leverage the resources and expertise necessary to achieve the sustainable development goals?
- » How can we enhance broader engagement of Canadians in our international assistance efforts?
- » Are there additional tools or mechanisms that Canada should add to enable it to deliver international assistance more innovatively?  
How can current approaches and mechanisms be strengthened?





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The global context continues to change and Canada's approach to international assistance needs to evolve with it. Further to her [mandate letter](#), Minister Bibeau is leading an international assistance review. She is consulting with Canadian and international stakeholders to create a new policy, funding and delivery framework. The review will look at the full range of Canada's international assistance, including development, humanitarian, and peace and security assistance.

The review will determine how to refocus Canada's international assistance on helping the poorest and most vulnerable, and on supporting fragile states. It will also help shape Canada's approach to implementing the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development.


The review is an opportunity to build on Canada's strengths and strive to become a leader in development innovation and effectiveness. This can be done by strengthening aid transparency and supporting better data collection and analysis, and by examining current and new international assistance mechanisms and partnerships.



Who can participate in the consultation process?



The "International assistance review" discussion paper



How do I participate?

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### Overview questions

Your voice counts. We invite all Canadians and international stakeholders interested in international assistance to participate.

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