

Ministerial Roundtable on Aid Effectiveness Maputo -- Mozambique, 11 May 2008



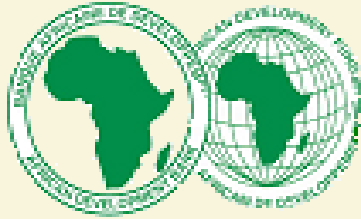
The Africa Region Consultation: Key Messages

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Context & Objectives of the Africa Region Consultation

Context

- **2005 Paris Declaration (PD) required mid-term review**
- **Part of the Accra HLF consultations process**
- **Informed by 2006 and 2008 OECD-DAC, PD Monitoring Survey**

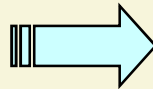
Objectives

- **Input to the Accra HLF Agenda**
- **Build consensus on common and critical issues**
- **Deliberate on new and emerging issues**
- **Identify challenges, bottlenecks, and actions**
- **Stimulate political commitment**



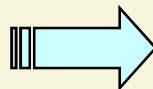
Participation / Consultation Process

**Over 200
Participants**



- 45 African Countries
- 5 Pan-African Parliamentarians
- 12 CSOs Representatives
- 6 Gender Networks Representatives
- 10 Donor Organization
- 5 Multilateral Institutions

**Country Led
and Managed**



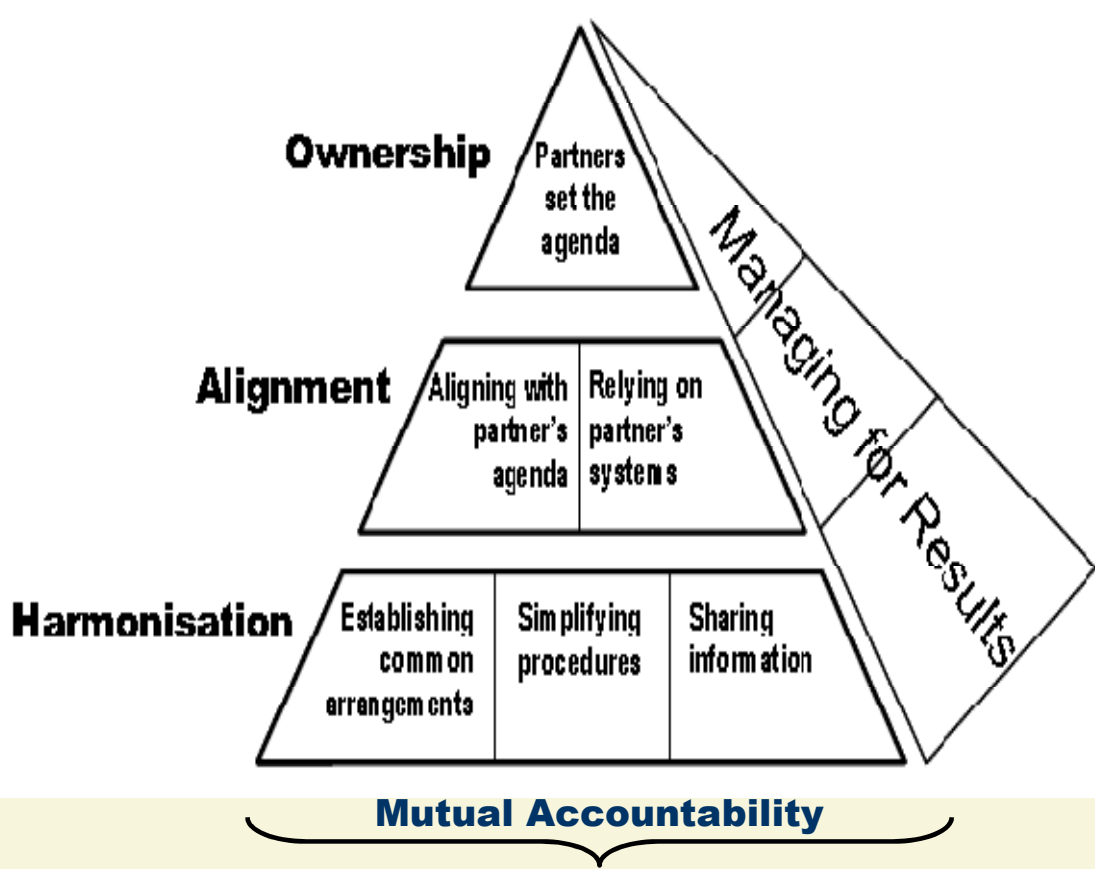
- Agenda Setting
- Preparatory Process
- Inputs to Consultation
- Reporting on Outcomes

Donors were Observers



Consultation Agenda

Agenda Anchored On the Five PD Core Principles



Sessions	Topics
Opening Plenary	Overview of the Africa Region Consultation Process
Group 1	Country Ownership
Group 2	Development Results, Impact and Mutual Accountability
Group 3	Harmonization and Alignment
Group 4	Aid Effectiveness in Fragile and Conflict Situations
Group 5	Sectoral Application of the PD Principles
Group 6	Implications of New Aid Architecture
Closing Plenary	Presentation of Outcomes



Overall Messages

The Africa Region Accra HLF preparatory consultation revealed:

- ✓ **Frustrations over the slow pace of progress on implementation of PD commitments**
- ✓ **Issues related to ownership, partnership and mutual accountability were prominent themes**
- ✓ **Concerns related to misalignment of aid, use of country systems, conditionality, division of labor and capacity were high**
- ✓ **Countries called for constructive engagement of Non-DAC donors and vertical funds**



Key Specific Messages

1. Country Ownership

Countries Called for

- **Greater country ownership and leadership**
- **Parliaments to provide oversight for probity of budgets**
- **Aid flows to be reported on national budget**
- **Shifting balance from partnership to ownership**
- **Enhanced alignment by donors**
- **Country led division of labor**



Key Specific Messages

2. Development Results and Mutual Accountability

**Countries / Donors
Need to**

- Enhance country systems
- Strengthen monitoring and evaluation capacity

Countries Called for

- Stronger donor accountability



Key Specific Messages

3. Harmonization and Alignment

Harmonization

- Partner countries to engage non-state actors
- Donors to:
 - ✓ Harmonize their procedures
 - ✓ Harmonize financing modalities
 - ✓ Increase complementarity and division of labor

Alignment

- Partner countries to reform and strengthen their systems
- Donors to:-
 - ✓ Increase reliance on country systems
 - ✓ Align to government policies and programs
 - ✓ Increase predictability of aid flows, including multiyear aid
 - ✓ provide aid through country preferred aid modalities – budget support



Key Specific Messages

4. Aid Effectiveness in Fragile and Conflict Situations

The Development
Community
Called Upon To

- Increase focus on development aid
- Provide additional financing in the post-arrears phase
- Tailor recovery programs to individual country situations
- Develop better performance indicators
- Address human rights concerns and the impact of conflict on women and children



Key Specific Messages

5. Sectoral Application of PD

- **SWAp key to make aid more effective at the sector level**
- **Sector strategy must be grounded on sector dialogue**
- **Sector dialogue must be underpinned by good sector analysis**
- **Sector aid should be put on budget**
- **Ministry of Finance Effective coordination is critical**



Key Specific Messages

6. Implication of New Aid Architecture on Aid Effectiveness

Countries

- Establish frameworks applicable to all
- Build capacities to engage with donors
- Put Global Fund resources on budget

All Actors Work Under One Tent

New Donors

- Align to country Priorities
- Apply PD Principles

Global Funds

- Ensure predictability and sustainability of funding
- Align to PD Principles

Traditional Donors

- Learn from the flexibilities of new donors



Key Specific Messages

7. Recurring Themes

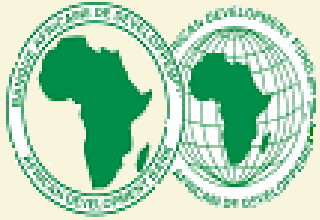
- **Greater consideration of gender equality and empowerment of women**
- **Importance of building capacities at all levels**
- **Increasingly important role of parliaments in national vision setting and the development process**
- **Growing role of civil society in aid effectiveness**
- **The unique advantages of south-south consultations and experience sharing**



Conclusion

The following include some of the key conclusions of the consultation:

- ✓ **Some progress has been made but a lot more remains to be done.**
- ✓ **Development partners must deliver on their commitments**
- ✓ **Constructive engagement of non-traditional donors and global funds is critical**
- ✓ **Genuine country ownership must be realized -- Moving from partnership arrangements to full country ownership should be high in the Accra agenda**
- ✓ **Accra should bring an opportunity for stronger political commitment needed to deal with outstanding and emerging issues**



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