



Development Partners Coordination Group

Development Partners Orientation/Induction Seminar

- 13 October 2011 -

Kigali, Rwanda

Background

The Government of Rwanda and its Development Partners (DPs) over the last several years have developed and strengthened aid coordination and dialogue architecture as well as aid effectiveness process and mechanisms. Guided by Rwanda's Aid Policy, aid to Rwanda is increasingly aligned to the national agenda and priorities, using the country systems for aid delivery, and strengthening mutual accountability mechanisms and framework for achieving development outcomes.

Such efforts are further enhanced based on strengthened partnership and mutual trust developed between the Government and its Development Partners.

WHAT?

The annual Development Partners Orientation/Induction seminar is proposed to contribute to enhancing understanding of Rwanda development context, development management and aid coordination and dialogue mechanisms and processes so as to further accelerate the efforts to improve quality and effectiveness of aid for development of Rwanda. It builds on the acknowledgement that at the time personnel changes of DPs leadership (particularly the Heads of Cooperation but not limited to) affects the quality of partnership and dialogue both at macro level as well as sector. Rotational nature of DPs positing also requires adequate briefing so that some of the agreements on institutional arrangements of aid delivery and dialogue benefit continuity.

The main objectives of this seminar will be:

- To brief new DPCG colleagues on Rwanda development context (where Rwanda has come from, and where Rwanda is heading), key national development processes, aid coordination and dialogue architecture and mechanisms, as well as key aid effectiveness agreements and efforts.

WHERE?

Kigali – The morning session is at MINECOFIN ; the afternoon sessions at Hôtel des Mille Collines.

WHEN?

Many Development Partners' turn over occur during July-August. To this end, the seminar is proposed to be held on 13 October 2011.

WHO?

The seminar will be attended by newly arrived representatives of Development Partners both at Heads of Cooperation as well as sector specialists/experts. Attendance is expected to range between 20-30 participants.

Participants are also expected to contribute to the plenary discussions, drawing on their experience in other countries where necessary.

Draft Programme

13 October 2011		Resource Person
1000-1100	Rwanda Development Context (where Rwanda has come from) (MINECOFIN Main Boardroom, ground floor)	Prof. Rwanyindo Ruzirabwoba, Chairman Institute of Research & Dialogue for Peace
1100-1230	Visit to Memorial Site	
1230-1400	Lunch at Hotel des Milles Collines on behalf of GoR	
1400-1415	Welcoming Remarks and Introduction Chair: DPCG Chair Co-chair: UN Resident Coordinator <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opening Remarks by DPCG Chair/PS & ST, MINECOFIN - Welcome Remarks by the United Nations Resident Coordinator - Introduction, agenda and expectation 	
1415-1500	SESSION 1: National Development and Aid Framework <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Development Context – Vision 2020 and EDPRS - Macroeconomic Framework - Plenary Q and A 	DG Planning UN RC
1500-1600	SESSION 1: National Development and Aid Framework – Cont’d <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EDPRS Implementation Mechanisms - National Planning, Budgeting and M&E Framework - National Public Financial Management Systems - Plenary – Q and A 	DG Planning, DG Budget, AG World Bank
1600-1615	Coffee Break	
1615-1700	SESSION 2: Aid Context and Framework <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Aid Policy - Aid Coordination and Dialogue Mechanisms - Aid Effectiveness Progress (DPAF and DPAF results, Division of Labour, Kigali Statement of Action, DPR agreement) - Plenary – Q and A 	EFU Coordinator DFID
1700-1730	SESSION 3: Budget Support Framework and Mechanism <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Partnership agreement – key elements - CPAF - Budget Support Review mechanisms 	EFU Coordinator DG Planning EC