DAC Data for Development
work stream 2019-2020

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Objectives & update

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1. Set-up and moderate a dynamic Data for Development Community
2. Enable knowledge sharing and enhance co-ordination and innovation to support the delivery and use of more and better development data

Progress
• Work started in June 2019
  – Outreach to DAC members and other providers & stakeholders to build a community
  – Research on the state of donor support
• 1st meeting in Dec 2019
  – 22 DAC members, major multilaterals, private foundations, DAC Chair, Director of Development Co-operation Directorate
  – Clear demand from participants & convergence around priorities for 2020: lessons incentives to step up co-ordination and peer knowledge sharing on good practices
Key messages from 1st meeting
OECD DAC work stream on Data for Development

• **Recognise need for strategic, holistic, long-term capacity building**
  – Focus also on Non-technical aspects of data production and dissemination, strengthening of demand for data, understanding political economy, etc.
  – Providers starting to develop strategies for support to statistics, including in framework of new digital strategies

• **Scope to improve co-ordination of international support to statistics and data**
  – Grasp diversity of actors and extent of fragmentation/dispersion/duplication of support
  – How ensure that support is demand-driven?
  – What incentives for co-ordination?

• **Add value by convening donors and facilitating peer learning, informed by providers’ experience and practice**
  – **Evidence** to strengthen co-ordination among providers and meet better national/local demand
  – **Peer learning** with a view to developing good practices for international support in 2021-2022.
  – **Awareness raising** in development co-operation policy space about the benefits of supporting statistics.
Donor support: getting into the details
e.g. main delivery modalities

(b) Disbursement by type of aid, 2010-2017

- Project-type interventions (bottom axis)
- Core contributions and pooled programmes and funds (top, reversed axis)
Priorities for 2020

• **Profiles of individual providers/funders**
  - build better understanding of providers’ objectives, strategies, future plans, key programmes & projects
  - Benchmark for peer learning and forward-looking co-ordination

• **Country case studies to...**
  - Holistic view: scope out breadth of international funding and co-ordination experience in data ecosystem
  - Identify drivers, constraints and incentives for effective co-ordination in data ecosystems
  - Learn from ‘good practices’ in different country contexts

• **Peer learning throughout year and agree next steps for donors**
  - Create informal working groups involving DAC members and relevant actors to guide & deliver case studies
  - Findings and conclusions presented, debated and agreed at the 2nd meeting of the work stream (end of 2020); sessions at UN WDF

• **Ensure synergies with relevant actors, international and national**
  - E.g. PARIS21, GPEDC, GPSDD, Bern Network, and other relevant networks/DAC communities (e.g Managing for results and DAC Effectiveness informal working group)