Working Together as a Partnership

I. Renewing the Partnership

1. Drawing *inter alia* on the recommendations of the 2009 PARIS21 evaluation, the PARIS21 Partnership agreed the Dakar Declaration on the Development of Statistics (DDDS) at the Consortium meeting in November 2009. The DDDS in turn inspired a Future Strategy for the Partnership (2010–14). Participants at the November 2009 Steering Committee endorsed the creation of a Special Committee on Logical Framework, Governance and Funding Issues — whose report will be reviewed at the June 2010 Steering Committee meeting — to operationalise the recommendations of the above processes. These processes call for a renewed partnership and commit PARIS21 partners to undertake certain joint activities and ensure the achievement of joint objectives. The present paper therefore provides an overview of the proposed roles and responsibilities for all actors within the PARIS21 partnership.

II. Implementing our Commitments

2. The DDDS will be the central document guiding the Partnership over the next five years. It is a five-point call to action for the international statistical community on the following points: (i) strategy implementation; (ii) mobilisation of technical and financial resources for statistics; (iii) co-ordination of donor support to statistics; (iv) meeting the needs of data users; and (v) development of statistical tools and methodologies\(^1\). The new logical framework will be the central collaborative tool to implement the DDDS and the Future Strategy.

3. To achieve DDDS goals, the PARIS21 Secretariat proposes below the following roles and responsibilities for each segment of the Partnership.

*All stakeholders*

- Advocate increased use of statistics nationally, regionally, and internationally.
- Advocate increased resources to statistical development and to the PARIS21 Secretariat.
- Share information and knowledge with other members of the Partnership.

\(^1\) The full text of the DDDS in seven languages is available at [http://www.paris21.org/pages/other/?id_news=136](http://www.paris21.org/pages/other/?id_news=136).
Developing Countries

- Consult regularly with (sub-national, national, regional, and international) data users to identify and meet their needs.
- Design, allocate national resources to, implement, and monitor an NSDS.
- Form a co-ordination group with the donor community and encourage them to align with the NSDS.
- Report on support to statistics (CRESS – Country Report on Support to Statistics) and progress in designing/implementing the NSDS.

Bilateral, Regional, International Institutions

- Form co-ordination groups at the country level with national stakeholders and align support with the NSDS.
- Report statistical support to the PRESS and use its results.
- Co-ordinate the development of new tools and methods adapted to developing country needs.

Research / Data Analysis Community

- Contribute to improving the quality of data in developing countries.

PARIS21 Board Members

- Consult with users/producers in your region/institution to solicit views on PARIS21 issues.
- Represent PARIS21 in regional/international meetings.
- Provide information necessary to monitor progress in the PARIS21 logical framework.

PARIS21 Secretariat

- Implement the Secretariat work programme.
- Act as focal point for the Partnership.
- Support Board members in their consultations with constituents/countries/alternates.