

# IAEG-SDGs Working Group on Measurement of Development Support

PROGRESS REPORT TO THE OPEN VIRTUAL IAEG-SDG MEETING 23 JUNE 2021

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# Objective

- a) Further develop and refine the measurement of development support in line with the 2030 Agenda under target 17.3 “Mobilize **additional** financial resources for **developing countries** from **multiple sources**”;
- b) Consider different components of development support, understanding development support in a broad sense of the term and including components other than ODA, such as **other official flows, private finance, international public goods for sustainable development, and South-South and triangular cooperation**; the working group **will consider**, but not be limited by, **work already conducted** to develop measures of these **components**;
- c) ... (about case studies and pilot)
- d) Develop a final **proposal including the various components considered** in the methodological work, for which the group was able to **define and test validity and feasibility based on the IAEG-SDG criteria for indicators**, including for data reporting<sup>3</sup>, (see Annex 2), for consideration by the UN Statistical Commission at its 53rd Session in 2022;



# Objective cont....

- (e) **Develop recommendations for the implementation** of the measurement in line with the needs for global, regional and national monitoring;
- (f) **Make recommendations or suggestions on further work required** at the end of its current two-year term.

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- The Working group was established on May 2020 (first meeting 27 May 2020)
  - Monthly meetings and the 12<sup>th</sup> meeting was held 8-10 June
- 21 member countries participating in the WG
  - In addition 4 observer countries, UNCTAD and OECD

# Towards a core proposal – issues with strong support

- A strong majority is in favour of only including flows that **promote sustainable development**
  - The criteria for operationalizing sustainable developments is broadly agreed on
  - Recipient countries can object to the characterization as supporting sustainable development
- Showing data **by recipient** only
- **Gross flows** - however some countries also want to include net flows
- **Separate indicators for different flows**
  - the AAAA recognised that there are different benefits, risks and impacts associated with different financing flows, hence we agreed to avoid aggregation



# Selection of financing flows

- **Official grants, official concessional and non concessional loans**
  - It is recommended to exclude **debt reliefs, in-donor refugee costs, general administrative costs** not allocated to specific development activities, and **peace and security** expenditures beyond what is reportable to ODA
- **Inclusion of foreign direct investments (FDI)** as normally will enhance growth and innovation in the recipient country
- **Mobilized private finance** – might be included as a memorandum item
- **Private grants** – strong support, but issues with availability of data sources



# South-South Cooperation (SSC) and international public goods (IPG)

- **South-South Cooperation**

- The Sub-group on South-South cooperation (SSC) has been developing a conceptual framework for the reporting of South-South
- The Sub-group is expected to indicate a need for further methodological work and pilot studies
- The conclusions of the Sub-group will be part of the overall proposal

- **International public goods**

- Expected to provide recommendations or suggestions on further work required, given the importance of IPGs for sustainable development



# Time table - 2021

- **July 6** (13<sup>th</sup> meeting in WG): **Completion of a draft proposal**
- **August /September:** **Open consultation**
- **September 14-16** (14<sup>th</sup> meeting): **Review results** from the consultation, **completion** of the proposal and **addressing open issues**
- **October:** **Submission and review** of proposal by the IAEG-SDGs
- **November 16** (15<sup>th</sup> meeting): Input to IAEG report to UNSC
- **December:** **Submission of the Commission report** containing IAEG's final proposal



# Thank you!

