Evaluation of "Building the Post-2015 Development Agenda" Project (2011-2015)

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Purpose of the Project

Context

2010 MDG Review Summit called for UN System to lead global debate for informing post-2015 agenda.

2011 call by UN Secretary-General for "inclusive, open and transparent process with multi-stakeholder participation."

UNDP Response

Process initiated in 2011 for open and inclusive global consultations with UN Development Group partners.

New project launched - "Building The Post-2015 Development Agenda: Open and Inclusive consultations."

- Facilitate open and inclusive consultations for the post-2015 agenda, including through innovation and new media

- Connect people around the world, including vulnerable groups, to global policy processes

- Create a broad coalition of stakeholders and partners to shape and own the post-2015 agenda

- Create a universally relevant agenda drawing from the lessons of the MDGs

- Consolidate outputs of the consultations to feed into different platforms, including the High Level Panel, the UN Secretary-General Reports, Open Working Group and intergovernmental negotiations

Key Figures

6 DIALOGUES ON POST-2015 IMPLEMENTATION

9.7 MILLION VOTES ON MY WORLD SURVEY

11 GLOBAL THEMATIC CONSULTATIONS

OVER 30 UN AGENCIES CONTRIBUTING TO THIS POST-2015 CONSULTATION PROCESS

DISASTER RISK REDUCTION TARGETS AND INDICATORS PILOTED IN 5 COUNTRIES

ALMOST **100** NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS
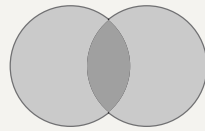
5 PEOPLE'S VOICES ISSUE BRIEFS

GOVERNANCE-RELATED INDICATORS AND TARGETS PILOTED IN **5** COUNTRIES

Key Findings

Effectiveness

- Increased understanding and ownership of the 2030 Agenda
- Provided substantive inputs to the formulation of goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda through the consultations
- Created new partnerships at all levels especially across UN System and civil society
- Encountered difficulties with broad engagement of private sector. Time gap between 2012 consultations and 2030 Agenda implementation poses threat to durability of partnerships

Relevance

- Scale and diversity of the consultations complemented other consultative processes
- Achieved unprecedented outreach including to many vulnerable groups
- Used a variety of participation modalities
- Provided feedback to participants mainly online
- Inclusion of groups limited by practical and political considerations

Positioning

- Enabled a joint UN effort, at global, regional and national levels
- Provided leadership in conceptualizing, facilitating and synthesizing the results of global, national and thematic consultations and dialogues
- Provided space for other UN agencies and CSOs to be involved in the various consultations, with UNDP role more as convener

Innovation

- Achieved unprecedented scale of consultations
- Facilitated large scale inclusion of vulnerable groups and 'unusual suspects'
- Designed and conducted MY World - largest UN survey ever
- Enabled crowdsourcing through web-based platforms and social media with The World We Want
- Use of social media
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Overall conclusions: The project set a new standard for global consultation processes, confirming that open and inclusive engagement helps in reaching a universal agreement on an agenda of global relevance.

The results represent a remarkable first step in global policy making. Bigger challenges remain to sustain the broad coalition for implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

UNDP played an important role in bringing the UN together to support this process.

Take Aways

Look, think and act ahead

Balance between influencing policy and staying out of politics

Stimulate innovation to reach new grounds

And don't forget to…

…pursue complementary consultations

Create an actionable integrated agenda at country level

…complement data collection with offline feedback

Design flexibly with a matching resource facility

Enable UN system and Member States in delivering together

Synergize with existing consultation processes and mechanisms

…truly listen and take all voices into account