



PISA FOR DEVELOPMENT

Technical Workshop Strand C Project up-date

1st October 2014

OECD Secretariat



First International Advisory Group Meeting, 27-28 May 2014





First International Advisory Group Meeting: Conclusions

- Acknowledged the progress made in the development of the project since the initial technical meeting in June, 2013.
- Agreed ToR for the IAG and in principle arrangements for the TAG
- Agreed on main technical issues and options for addressing these as well as draft component ToR for Strands A (cognitive assessment) and B (contextual questionnaires)
- Reviewed and discussed capacity needs analysis for the countries and progress with the design of capacity building programmes for the countries
- Agreed ToR for an independent review of the project in 2017
- Agreed a set of **next steps** for taking the project forward.



Next steps and actions taken (1)

Next steps	Actions taken
OECD to complete remaining planned expert papers and to hold third technical workshop	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Second draft of expert paper on developing methods and approaches for including OOS15YO in data collection and assessment – Roy Carr-Hill• Third Technical workshop in Montreal (UIS): 1-2 October 2014• Expert papers commissioned in September 2014:<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. System level data – UIS2. Review of other assessment programmes – ACER3. High level report on the experiences of non-OECD countries in PISA – Marlaine Lockheed



Next steps and actions taken (2)

Next steps	Actions taken
OECD to prepare ToR and tendering documents for international contractor (s) and to finalise these in consultation with IAG members	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Component ToR paper for Strands A and B discussed and endorsed by IAG at its meeting in May• OECD completed draft ToR for Strands A and B and circulated to IAG for review and comment during June• OECD finalised ToR and tendering documents for strands A and B on 31 July 2014



Next steps and actions taken (3)

Next steps

- **OECD to sign participation agreements with all the countries participating in the project**



Actions taken

- OECD has signed participation agreements with **Ecuador, Guatemala, Senegal and Zambia**
- **Cambodia and Tanzania** are processing agreements through their respective systems
- OECD is holding dialogues with **Paraguay and Morocco** regarding their possible participation in the project



Next steps and actions taken (4)

Next steps

- Participating countries to nominate National Centres and National Project Managers and to prepare project implementation plans



Actions taken

- **Ecuador, Guatemala, Senegal and Zambia** have nominated NCs and NPMs
- **Cambodia and Tanzania** have yet to nominate NCs and NPMs
- **Fernando, Leonor and Satya** are planning to support the preparation of PIPs in all six countries during November, December 2014 and January 2015 – guidelines in English, French and Spanish have been distributed.



Next steps and actions taken (5)

Next steps	Actions taken
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participating countries to finalise agreements with development partners regarding contributions and support (e.g. international costs, in-country costs and activities) and to finalise in-country budgets	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Actions taken in respect of international costs by Ecuador, Guatemala, Senegal and Zambia• Cambodia and Tanzania are processing agreements with their respective development partners• All countries are preparing in-country budgets and are being supported in this by capacity consultants, Fernando, Satya and Leonor, and the OECD



Next steps and actions taken (6)

Next steps

- OECD to complete capacity needs analysis and to design capacity-building programmes for all participating countries



Actions taken

- Capacity needs analysis completed for **Ecuador, Guatemala, Senegal, Tanzania and Zambia** – reports are being finalised
- Capacity needs analysis for **Cambodia** initiated from 29 September
- Design of capacity building plans under way or scheduled in **Ecuador, Guatemala, Senegal, Tanzania and Zambia**
- Capacity building plan for **Cambodia** scheduled to be initiated from December



Next steps and actions taken (7)

Next steps

- OECD to finalise with development partners outstanding agreements for support to the project – general contributions and country-specific contributions



Actions taken

- All outstanding grant agreements finalised, with the exception of:
 1. Norad addendum
 2. DFID addendum
 3. Irishaid contribution
- In discussions regarding possible increased contributions from Germany and Korea
- JICA and World Bank (using GPE resources) is providing support to Cambodia – under process
- DFID is providing support to Tanzania – under process



Next steps and actions taken (8)

Next steps	Actions taken
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• OECD to confirm with other agencies arrangements for technical partnerships and collaboration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• On-going dialogue with SACMEQ, PASEC, Pre-PIRLS, PIRLS, LLECE, STEP, LAMP, WEI-SPS, TIMSS and consideration of other relevant assessments such as ASER, EGRA/EGMA, UWEZO• In addition to dialogue, ACER review of other assessments will be a vehicle for establishing potential for partnership• Partnerships will be followed up once the international contractors are on board with particular focus on national components of Strand A; enhancement of questionnaires under Strand B; and Strand C• UIS, UNICEF and EFA GMR collaboration over Strand C



Next steps and actions taken (9)

Next steps	Actions taken
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• OECD to consult with IAG members on the ToR and membership of the TAG and the draft engagement and communication strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ToRs endorsed by IAG and some written feedback on draft since meeting in May• Agreement to make use of existing PISA TAG for PISA for Development• OECD discussing with existing TAG members their willingness to take on PISA for Development responsibility – positive response thus far• Will supplement TAG with additional experts with developing country focus and Strand C• Written comments received on the draft engagement and communication strategy – positive response



Next steps and actions taken (10)

Next steps

- OECD to complete tendering process to commission international contractor (s)



Actions taken

- Call for tender for Strands A and B launched on 4 August.
- Bids received by 29 September
- Technical review panel from 9-10 October
- Questions to bidders: 13-17 October
- Technical review report and agreement on preferred bidder(s) by 24 October
- 27 October – 7 November IAG and PGB SDG review of technical review report
- PGB informed of technical review report 7-21 November
- ToR and contracts finalised by 21 November
- OECD Procurement Board 26 November
- Contracts signed by early December



Next steps and actions taken (11)

Next steps

- First meeting of Technical Advisory Group after awarding of international contract(s) for Strands A and B



Actions taken

- First meeting of the PISA for Development TAG scheduled as a webinar in early January 2015



Next steps (12)

- Project implementation:
 - Last phase of design, planning and coordination (including capacity assessment, capacity building planning for participating countries and project implementation plans);
 - Technical development
 - Field trials and main data collection;
 - Analysis and reporting
 - Post-pilot governance



PISA for Development: Prospective Timeline – Meetings & Phases



