

Third High Level Panel (HLP) meeting on the Post 2015 Development Agenda

Monrovia, Liberia – 28 and 30 January 2013

CSO OUTREACH PROGRAMME NOTE

BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW:

Consultations with CSOs are being jointly organized by the Africa-wide post-2015 Working Group and the Liberian CSO post-2015 Working Group; working in partnership with Beyond 2015 (a global network of CSOs), the UN HLP Secretariat Outreach desk, the UN SG Secretariat, and representatives from other southern CSO networks.

The objectives of the HLP outreach consultations with CSOs will be to:

- Share evidence from grassroots and CSO consultations with members of the HLP.
- Frame, articulate and deliberate on a clear vision for the future that is informed by the needs and aspirations of ordinary people world-wide.
- Articulate and agree on key pillars of economic transformation, highlighting national building blocks for sustained wealth for all.
- Create a specific platform for excluded and marginalized groups to voice their perspectives, especially youth and children; the disabled and aged; women; and small businesses, traders, and trade unions.
- Engage with African CSOs, with a particular view to deliberate on an emerging African Narrative that will inform the African Consensus position.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF CSO EVENTS:

CSO's will have an opportunity to meet over three days for the following events:- (1) The CSO Preparatory Meeting; (2) The CSO Town Hall Event with HLP; and (3) The CSO Roundtable Discussions with HLP.

i. CSO Preparatory Meetings, 28th and 29th January , all day

The CSO Preparatory Meeting is an open consultative forum where CSO representatives from all over the world will discuss National Building Blocks for Sustained Prosperity as they relate to the post-2015 development agenda. This meeting will provide a platform for CSOs to share regional perspectives on

the theme and its sub-themes; as well as develop common positions on the framing questions presented by the High Level Panel on Economic Transformation.

ii. **CSO Town Hall meeting, 30th January, 11h00**

This meeting will be held between all members of the HLP and sixty CSO representatives, on the 30th January 2013, at 11h00 for one hour. This meeting will take the format of a "town hall" event, where CSO members together with grassroots representatives will share evidence, perspectives, and recommendations on the topic of *National Building Blocks for Sustained Prosperity* and its sub-themes. This will serve as a framing conversation, also giving critical clarity to the vision and aspirations of ordinary citizens for the future.

Meeting Format:

Members of the HLP will be seated at a high-table preferably facing the CSO audience, where a facilitator and chair of the meeting will manage the interactions between the HLP and CSO representatives. This meeting will be co-chaired by Mrs. Namhla Mniki-Mangaliso, Head of Africa CSO Working Group on Post-2015, and Mr Charles Abugre, Head of UNMC Africa. Four speakers from CSO's will speak for 6 minutes each, presenting the outcomes of the CSO consultative forum, specifically focussing on the following 3 elements:-

- What is the CSO vision for the future of development, giving specific attention to the condition of the African, LAC and Asian regions? Answering this question will give direct input to the HLP's narrative document.
- How does this vision differ for specific vulnerable groups, i.e. children, youth, women, disabled, aged and informal sector. This will be presented in the form of a public testimony from two representatives of these vulnerable groups.
- What is the CSO perspective about key pillars and drivers of economic transformation for consideration in a post-2015 global framework? This will highlight key priorities which represent an outcomes' consensus from CSO consultations.

Members of the HLP will have an opportunity to interact with CSO members by asking specific questions of clarity. This will then be followed by four questions from CSO's.

iii. **CSO Roundtable Discussions, 30th January, 12h00**

The CSO Roundtable Discussions will be held between all members of the HLP and sixty CSO representatives, on the 30th January 2013, at 12h00 for one hour, thirty minutes. There will be four roundtables with a maximum of twenty participants each (15 CSO representatives and 3-5 HLP members). The four roundtables will take place with specific marginalized groups, i.e. children and youth; women and gender; the disabled and aged; and small businesses, farmers, traders, and trade unions.

Format:

The roundtables will be facilitated by the lead agencies for each roundtable, and CSO's will specifically answer the following framing questions from the perspective of each vulnerable group, based on outcomes of the CSO consultations:-

- How does your subsector define transformation and sustained prosperity?
 - What are the dimensions?
 - What is your vision of transformation in this sub-sector?
 - How does equitable and sustainable outcomes look like in this sub sector?
- What are the key barriers to transformation (social and economic) in your sub-sector?
- What should the key enablers of transformation (social and economic) be in your sub-sector?
 - What needs to happen, and how, for transformation to happen (theory of change on transformation) for this sub sector
 - What mechanisms should be put in place to ensure that this vision of transformation is achieved?
- What is your subsector's vision on governance and institution building?
 - What needs to happen, and how, to promote governance and institution building within your sub sector (theory of change on governance and institution building)?
 - What are the implications for fragile states in conflict and post-conflict situations?
- Why are international goals and targets important for this subsector; and what global and national systems need to be in place to ensure that these targets are met?

The lead agency for each roundtable are as follows, each supported by the relevant UN agency (UNFPA, UNMC, UNICEF, UN Women, UNDP, UNNGLS):-

- Children and Youth – Organisation for African Youth working with Restless Development
- Women and Gender – FEMNET working with the Liberian Women's Coalition
- Aged and Disability – HelpAge working with Africa Decade of Persons with Disabilities
- Farmers, Trader, Informal Sector – ACORD and ITUC

AGENDA OF THE CSO PREPARATORY MEETING, CITY HALL, MONROVIA

Day 1: January 28, 2013

6.30 – 07.30 **Breakfast at respective hotels**

07.30 – 08.30 **Shuttles take participants to City Hall, Monrovia**

8.00 – 9.00	Registration
9.00 – 11.00	Opening Ceremony: Hosted by the Ministry of Gender, Republic of Liberia; the Liberian CSO Coalition on Post 2015; and the Africa Working Group on Post-2015. Session Chair: Africa

9.00 – 9.30 **Arrival of Guests of Honor**
i. Objectives and Outcomes of the meeting
ii. Welcome remarks: Mayor of Monrovia

9.30 – 10.00 **Official opening and Remarks**
Honorable Minister of Gender, (insert full name and accolades)

10.00 – 10.30 **Key Note address**
Prof. Gita Sen on the topic: *National Building Blocks for Sustained Prosperity: Making the post-2015 development agenda count for vulnerable groups.*

10.30 – 11.00 **Brief Interactive Session with Minister of Gender and Prof. Sen.**

Dance Item Organized by Ministry of Gender

11.00 – 11.30	Tea and Coffee Break
11.30 – 13.00	Session 1: Panel Discussion on Regional Perspectives on post 2015 (Economic Transformation). Session Chair: Asia

11.30 – 12.30 **The Journey We Have Travelled:** A presentation of CSO Global Consultations on the Post-2015 Development Agenda followed by a brief discussion.
i. *Latin America*

- ii. *Asia*
- iii. *Global*
- iv. *Africa*

12.30 – 13.30: **The Journey We Have Travelled 2:** A presentation of Sectoral Perspectives from Key Vulnerable Groups.

- i. *Youth*
- ii. *Children*
- iii. *Women*
- iv. *Aged*
- i. *Disabled*

13.30 – 14.30: **LUNCH**

14.30 – 15.30: **Session 2: Towards a Common Position to Influence the 3rd HLP Meeting in Monrovia**

Session Chair: Latin America

14.30 – 15.30 **Roundtable discussions:** CSO representatives to answer the question:- *If there was one thing you want the Co-Chairs to remember for the post-2015 agenda, what would it be?* CSO representatives will prepare a 2 minute sentence that articulates this, which will be read in front of the President. Roundtables divided into:-

- i. *Children*
- ii. *Youth*
- iii. *Women and Gender*
- iv. *Farmers, Traders, Informal Sector, Trade Unions, Small Businesses*
- v. *Ageing and Disability*

15.30 – 16.00 **Tea and Coffee Break**

16.00 – 17.00 **Session 3: Presidential Special Visit**

Session Chair: Liberian CSO Coalition

- i. *Arrival of the President*
- ii. *Welcoming Remarks*
- iii. *Four CSO statements titled: “One thing to remember”*
- iv. *Response: President*

17.00 – 17.30

Post Visit De-briefing and Closure

Day 2: January 29th, 2013

9.00 – 9.15	Recap of the previous day and overview of the programme
9.15 – 13.00	Session 4: National Building Blocks for National Prosperity: Towards Sustained Economic Transformation Session Chair: North America
9.15 – 13.00	Roundtable discussions on Drivers, Challenges as Options for Economic transformation: Roundtable discussions to discuss the framing questions extensively, with view to present outcomes to the HLP. Roundtable discussions divided into four groups:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>i. Children and Youth</i><i>ii. Women and Gender</i><i>iii. Farmers, Traders, Informal Sector, Trade Unions, Small Businesses</i><i>iv. Ageing and Disability</i>
11.00 – 11.30	Working Tea Break
11.30 – 12.00	Roundtable Discussions Continued
12.00 – 13.00	Report Back from Roundtables
13.00 – 14.00	LUNCH
14.00 – 15.30	Session 5: Strategy and Tactics – Engaging with the HLP Session Chair: Europe
14.00 – 14.30	Presentation of Agenda and Approach for CSO Interphase with HLP members followed by a brief discussion.
14.30 – 15.00	Presentation of a Proposed Communique followed by a brief discussion.
15.00 – 15.50	Plenary discussion on any other opportunities for influencing the outcomes of the 3rd HPL Meeting.
15.30 – 16.00	Tea and Coffee Break
16.0 – 17.00	Session 6: Beyond Monrovia – Challenges and Opportunities Session Chair: Africa
16.0 – 16.20	The Road to Bali: A briefing by Natasha Karina Ardiani

16.20 – 16.40	UN SG Road Map towards the UN Assembly in September: An overview from Lysa John and Nelson Muffuh
16.40 – 17.00	Strategic Engagement by CSO's: A brain-storming session
17.00	Closing Ceremony

16.00 – 17.00	Session 7: Preparing Testimonies to be presented to the HLP
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This will be a closed session aimed to prepare the three grassroots participants who will present in front of the HLP members on the 30th January 2003. It will be attended by the grassroots representatives accompanied by their support staff.

AGENDA: CSO TOWN HALL MEETING, 30 JANUARY 2013, 11H00

WHERE: City Hall, Monrovia

WHEN: 11h00 GMT

WHAT: The CSO Town Hall event will seek to address three main questions:-

- i. *What is the CSO vision for the future of development, giving specific attention to the condition of the African, LAC and Asian regions? Answering this question will give direct input to the HLP's narrative document.*
- ii. *How does this vision differ for specific vulnerable groups, i.e. children, youth, women, disabled, aged and informal sector. This will be presented in the form of a public testimony from two representatives of these vulnerable groups.*
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Two speakers from CSO's will speak for 5 minutes each, presenting the outcomes of the CSO consultative forum. They will specifically focus on the following questions:- What is the CSO vision for the future of development, giving specific attention to the condition of the African, LAC and Asian regions? What is the CSO perspective about key pillars and drivers of economic transformation for consideration in a post-2015 global framework? Answering this question will give direct input to the HLP's narrative document; and will highlight key priorities which represent an outcomes' consensus from CSO consultations.

These key note presentations will be followed by "life testimonies" from vulnerable groups, to give specific meaning to how economic transformation and prosperity can be translated to lived experience. Members of the HLP will have an opportunity to interact with CSO

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PROGRAMME:

Facilitator and Master of Ceremony: Mrs. Namhla Mniki-Mangaliso, Managing Director of African Monitor, and Head of the Secretariat for the Africa-wide Working Group on Post-2015.

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| 11.00 – 11.10 | Welcome and Introductions: <i>Who we are and the road we have travelled. Input by (Asia, Latin America or Liberia)</i> |
| 11.10 – 11.15 | Brief Input from HLP: <i>Why we are here, and what we hope to hear?</i> |
| 11.15 – 11.20 | Presentation 1 (5 minutes): Presentation of the CSO Common Vision by Mr Ousainou Ngum, Executive Director of ACORD. <i>Mr Ngum, on behalf of CSO's, will present a common vision and the communique by CSO's based on the outcomes of the CSO consultations held on the 28th and 29th. He will highlight key issues to CSO's that are important to consider in the narrative document of the HLP, providing a framework for the post-2015 development agenda.</i> |
| 11.20 – 11.25 | Presentation 2 (5 minutes): Making the Post-2015 Development Agenda Count for Vulnerable Groups, by Prof. Gita Sen. <i>Prof. Gita Sen will provide an evidence-based presentation on how post-2015 development agenda can impact on vulnerable groups.</i> |
| 11.25 – 11.45 | Life Perspectives on the topic, “A future that gives me capability to function”. <i>Three minute testimonies by ordinary people from vulnerable groups; a child, a young person, and a farmer/trader. Members of the HLP will have opportunity to interact directly with people providing testimonies.</i> |
| 11.45 – 11.55 | Feedback, Highlights and Commitments: Perspectives from the HLP. <i>To give members of the HLP an opportunity to give input on the highlights of the session, and reflect on some of the key aspects that can be taken up in the final report presented to the UNSG.</i> |
| 11.55 – 12.55 | Briefing on Roundtable Session and Closure. |

AGENDA: CSO OUTREACH ROUNDTABLES, 30TH JANUARY 2013, 12H00 GMT

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PROGRAMME: (MODEL)

Roundtable 1: Youth and Children

Facilitator:

Agenda:

12.00 – 12.10	Welcome and Introductions: <i>Who is in the room</i>
12.10 – 13.00	Presentations and Testimonies
13.00 – 13.30	Interactive Session
13.30	Closure and Lunch