

WORKSHOP 4

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Regional initiatives and connections with LenCD: Africa, Asia and Latin America

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Objective

This workshop will enable participants from Africa, Asia and Latin America identify opportunities to strengthen learning on CD in and between these regions. The workshop will explore how to usefully connect, and build upon, both direct and virtual exchange on CD practice and learning.

Over the last two years, LenCD has focused on Africa. As entry points for the discussions, the workshop will highlight the two regional processes for strengthening knowledge on Civil Society-Government Interface Capacities and developing a regional platform on Development Effectiveness. The workshop will thereafter open the horizon for LenCD to entry points and initiatives in the other two regions, and for complementary work across all three regions. The workshop will close after identifying the opportunities for specific actions which can be incorporated in LenCD workplans for the next two years.

Expected results:

Recommendations for specific actions to be taken by LenCD and its partners to strengthen learning on CD in and between the regions, and build upon ongoing initiatives.

Structure and Dynamic

The workshop will be preceded by a plenary presentation to familiarise participants with the issues and lessons to be drawn from the workshop. During the first part of the workshop, participants will share information about ongoing or proposed initiatives on priority areas of CD at national, sub-regional and regional levels. The second part of the workshop will focus on three regional initiatives and the lessons from these which can generate positive impacts on CD practice. During the final session of this workshop, participants will propose regional and inter-regional initiatives which can be taken up by LenCD. These recommendations from the workshop will be reported back to plenary. Participants will also have an opportunity to consolidate their proposals at dedicated table discussions during the lunch break.

>>> PLEASE refer to the proposed agenda below

Background documentation

AU/NEPAD Capacity Development Strategic Framework

https://sites.google.com:443/site/lencdorg/documents-1/AU_NEPAD_CDSF.pdf?attredirects=0&d=1

African Platform on Development Effectiveness

<https://sites.google.com:443/site/lencdorg/regional-working-groups/focus-in-africa>

Report from consultations of African Learning Platform (2009)

https://sites.google.com:443/site/lencdorg/documents-1/AfLP_Report_211009_FINAL!.pdf?attredirects=0&d=1

Forthcoming:

- Concept note on African Initiative on Civil Society and Government interface capacities
- Documentation from other regions

Your comments and suggestions are welcome to shape the event!
Please send inputs directly to the facilitators as indicated and to Thomas Theisohn (thomas.theisohn@gmail.com)

Draft workshop agenda

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09:00- 10:00	<p>Workshop Overview (30 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop background and process. • Examples of the initiatives which will be highlighted. • Key issues and lessons to be discussed. • The expected outputs. 	tbd
	Convening in working groups	
10:00- 11:00	<p>Part 1: Past, ongoing and proposed initiatives to strengthen CD learning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participants will be invited to share brief highlights of initiatives designed to enhance CD within each region. These may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programmes for policy development and mainstreaming • Projects for development of knowledge, skills or tools • Networking and knowledge sharing • The Civil Society-Government Interface Capacities initiative will be presented as an example of proposed complementary learning at sub-regional and regional levels in Africa. 	tbd
11:00-11:15	Coffee break	
11:15- 12:00	<p>Part 2: Platforms for regional and cross-regional learning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The purpose, achievements and lessons from regional policy and practitioner platforms in Africa, Asia and Latin America will be presented and discussed. 	tbd
12:00 – 13:00	<p>Part 3: Next steps for regional and cross-regional initiatives</p> <p>Participants will split into three, regional sub-groups to discuss the following questions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What do we aim to achieve at regional level during the next twelve months? • At which points can we connect our efforts and learning with other regional initiatives? • What can be the specific entry points and actions for LenCD? <p>Each of the three sub-groups will report back to the full group and the workshop will close with a final discussion of the key findings recommendations.</p>	tbd
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch break: Regional Discussion Tables (optional)	
14h30	Reporting back to Plenary and commenting (15 min)	tbd