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Agenda and ground rules

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Agenda and ground rules

- **Agenda & Cards**
- Market place
- 1 pagers
- Mixed participation old/new
- Sign up for WS
- Steering Group
- Window /Aircons
- Facilitators
- WIFI
- PPTs to
- Coffee/ Lunch/dinner
- Organization team
- facilities
- Documentation to
- Kigali

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Where have we come from?

- **Today LenCD is a global network South-North/EW across constituencies Int/Gvt/CS/ind**
- LenCD emerged from several streams of research, workshops and conferences.
- **Established in Berlin (June 2004)**
by GTZ, WBI, UNDP, OECD/DAC, JICA, CIDA, ECDPM
- **Put capacity development on the agenda**
- Opportunities to do **more than any individual actor** would have been able to do alone.

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Milestones

- 2004 Jan **Tokyo** Symposium
- 2004 Jun **Berlin** Establishment of LenCD as network
- 2005 Feb **Paris HLF 2** : LenCD RT on CD
- 2005 Apr **Washington** LENPA/LenCD
- 2006 Feb **Paris**: "The challenge of Capacity Development"
- 2006 Oct **Nairobi** LenCD Forum: Addressing the PD
- 2008 May **Bonn** - Workshop on CD & Aid Effectiveness
- 2008 Sep **Accra** - HLF on Aid Effectiveness
- 2008 Dec **Washington** - LenCD strategy meeting



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2009/10 - a bumpy road

2008 Dec: LenCD Washington

Strategy 2009-11, Steering S-N, operational

frame

2009

Jan-Mar: Develop project

Strategic frame, outreach, scenarios

Apr-Aug: Brokering partner initiatives

AfPL, Training&beyond, RCs, T4D Oslo, Knowledge Fair, ProDoc

Sep-Dec: Back to basics

bleak perspectives, funding running out/slow to follow,
consulting+

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2009/10 - a bumpy road

2010

Jan-Apr: Pretoria – Marrakech – Bogota

LenCD meeting, workplan 2010/11, first funding

May-Aug: Bridging again

Busan, T4D, scoping, base assignments, additional funding

Sep-Nov: Building towards consolidation

Learning package, Accra, KM,

Dec-Feb: Preparations for Kigali

We made it!

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Lessons, Challenges, Opportunities

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Lessons

1. **LenCD neutrality**, multi-partner & constituency space is a critical asset
2. **Synergies and complementarity** among partners & LenCD coordination
3. **Flexibility and creativity** to go with “bursts of energies” and multiple arrangements

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Challenges

1. **Divers expectations** of a multi-facetted membership
2. **Engaging with sector development**
Connecting (CoPs)
3. **Collective action and ensuring funding** for the CD knowledge commons esp. global level

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Opportunities

1. **Strengthen regional initiative** in Africa (APDev) and engage in LAC and Asia
2. Collectively constructing innovative **KM systems for engaging** interested partners “Rationalizing the CD Knowledge Architecture”
3. **Get concrete on closing Learning Loops** Learning Package, Peer learning, CD Insights, consulting+....
4. **Momentum towards Busan** and growing attention to CD

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Opportunities

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“What you always wanted to know about LenCD but never dared to ask”

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