LenCD Governance Charter

**Final DRAFT**

LenCD Partners Meeting

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LenCD / Background

- Initiated in 2004 as an *open* Learning Network on Capacity Development by a group of like-minded Development Partners.

- **Pushing force:** Increase the attention on the importance of Capacity Development for sustainable development in the aid effectiveness agenda & development policies.

- Network swiftly grew, including divers partners from all over the world.

LenCD/ Objectives

1. Strengthen evidence &disseminate good practice.

2. Facilitate collective initiatives & processes needed to close "learning loops" on CD.

3. Promote integration of CD into mainstream development policy.

4. Support regional and local initiatives in changing CD practice on the ground.
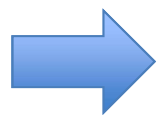
Promote change for better CD practices on all levels.

LenCD/ Principles

- **Complementarity**
- **Synergies**
- **Diversity**
- **Decentralization**
- **Open source**
- **Flexibility**
- **Lean organization (set up)**

LenCD/ Constituency

- **Informal network** is open to all interested individuals, CD practitioners &organizations from all over the world.

- **Members** promote the LenCD objectives &engage in its initiatives. No fees, but members can provide direct support in cash or kind, open up their initiatives for other members to collaborate, and establish links among their websites and LenCD etc.

LenCD/ Governance and Management/ 1

- **Steering Group** is responsible for the overall governance of LenCD, e.g. long term strategy, annual work program, quality assurance, fund raising.

- **Steering Group** comprises of 7 LenCD members incl. 2 chairs (South/ North), i.e. 3 members from Development Partners, 3 members from partner countries (Africa, Asia, Latin America) & 1 eminent person.

- **Steering Group** is confirmed at AGM, meets on quarterly basis (virtually) and serves for 1 year at least.

LenCD/ Governance and Management/ 2

- **Coordination and Management Team** promotes LenCD's mandate & manages day-to-day operations (e.g. implements work plan, financial & activity reporting) .

- It combines coordination, project management and knowledge management functions.

- Composition & ToRs are determined by the Steering Group according to priorities of the network and availability of resources.

Funding and reporting arrangements

- **Funding:** Contributions to LenCD are in the form of funds or in kind (e.g. secondments, in-house consultancies).

- **Reporting:** Annual report on all activities & summary financial statements & periodic official interaction with steering group related to the work plan and funding requests as well as sharing &storing of documents (e.g. minutes, work plans and budget) on the LenCD webpage.

Thank you for your attention!

Q & A