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Advisory Group PWYP 2023 Africa Conference

Date: 26 April 2023

Time: 10:00 - 11:00 UTC

Duration: 1:00

Participants: Conference Advisory group (Fatima Mimbire, Christian Mounzeo, Georges Mpaga, Chetachi Success on behalf of Victoria, Monday Osasah), Organising committee (Demba, Steph, Vincent)

Apologies: Fatima Diallo, Papa Fara, James Koryor

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87338090284>

Objectives

- Share key updates on the Conference
- Discuss how the AG members can support facilitating the Consultation session on PWYP's strategic direction from 2025
- Discuss next steps

Expected results

- Advisory Group members are aware of the developments of the Africa Conference
- Advisory Group members are informed and committed to participate at the Africa Conference and related activities including help to facilitate some sessions
- Advisory Group members have clear idea of next steps

Action	Assigned to	Due Date	Status
Share agenda with Chetachi	DS	28 April	▼
Prepare draft report for the ASC with Africa team	DS	31 May	▼
Inform NCs of Africa Coalitions that they can invite their donors to join either in person (at their own cost) or remotely	DS and VE	26 April	▼

Agenda

Time	Topic	Moderator/Presenter
10:00 - 10:10	Welcome, introductions, adoption of the agenda	Fatima MIMBIRE, ASC Chair
10:10 - 10:30	Key updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Conference final agenda - (ERIC)	Demba



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Keynote speaker - (Demba)● Africa Charter review - (Demba)● Participants - (Demba)● Logistics - (Demba)● Communications (Comms) - Webpage● Update on EITI board - https://www.cbi.org/project/eiti-board-cso/	
10:30 - 10:50	Expectations from the Advisory Group <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Finalise panel sessions development including donors participation● ASC report back● Advisory Group members support to facilitate the ASC elections● Facilitation of the consultation session on PWYP's strategic direction from 2025	Demba
10:50 - 11:00	Wrap up, next steps and closing	Fatima MIMBIRE

Notes

- Fatima welcomed everyone to this second meeting of the Africa Conference advisory group. Apologies were noted, introductions were made, DS presented the agenda and it was adopted with the addition of a request to hear an update on the EITI board members.
- DS summarised the final draft agenda which has been shared with the advisory group.
- DS updated the group about the keynote speaker - Professor Carlos Lopez was not available so we approached Dr Marit Kitaw, the interim Director of the AMDC, who was delighted to accept our invitation.
- Following a consultation with the ASC members on the Africa Charter, no updates were proposed and so the Charter will be maintained as it stands.
- Participants - all coalitions have now registered their delegates. The Secretariat is ensuring that all delegations meet the criteria, including gender and youth participation. The logistics team in Senegal will be contacting advisory group members today in order to share itineraries for approval and subsequent booking, as well as a logistics note. DS noted that the costs for some tickets are very high, so the Secretariat will be reviewing these in line with the available budget.
- Communications - the Secretariat has developed a webpage in English and French with an overview of the agenda and will add further details as required
- EITI board - the civil society representatives have been selected and can be seen [here](#). Among them are three African representatives - two for Francophone Africa (members of PWYP Mauritania and PWYP Togo) and one for Anglophone and Lusophone Africa (from TI Zambia). An objections/complaints period is now open until 5 May - a [complaints form](#) is available on the website in English and French.



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- DS clarified questions in relation to the Africa Charter and the timing of the different sessions (he will re-share the agenda).
- Advisory Group members were asked for their views on which key donors we should make sure to invite (at their own cost). DS noted that Saliem Fakir, Executive Director of Africa Climate Foundation (ACF) was invited to join the opening panel but he can only do so remotely. DS invited the advisory group to share their views on whether they had a preference for the opening panel to be composed of people present in person.
 - CM and FM noted no objection to someone joining the inaugural panel remotely, since the event is being held as a hybrid
 - FM recommended that the Secretariat share an email with leaders in the region noting the possibility of inviting their donors to attend either virtually or in person
- ASC report back - typically, one of the ASC members leads on preparing this report, with support from the Secretariat so the ASC was invited to indicate who would lead this. Typically the Chair would present the report.
 - GM and MO suggested that the call for candidates to the ASC should be amplified to ensure that we receive applications by the deadline (30 April).
 - CM suggested that the first step should be to consolidate the presentation and then decide who should present it. He suggested that a small working group be formed to develop the presentation with the Secretariat leading the preparation.
 - CM suggested that discussions on ASC representatives be held in advance of the conference as much as possible
 - FM noted her expectation that all ASC members be committed to shaping the report, with three people leading the development as proposed by CM
 - FM requested further information on the timeline for the ASC elections which would help the Advisory Group to foster engagement among the membership
 - MO offered to act as a reviewer of the ASC report and indicated his willingness to support the caucus discussions on the ASC elections
 - VE clarified that for the AWA and ESA regions he is working with the National Coordinators to ensure that deliberations are on track and that candidates will be submitted by the deadline.
- DS noted the expectation that outgoing ASC members support the facilitation of regional caucuses to decide on the next representatives to the ASC. Ideally there will be discussions in advance of the conference to already begin discussions. The conference will also be an opportunity to consult with members on the future strategic direction of PWYP and Advisory Group members are invited to indicate if they could support facilitation of those discussions.
 - CM and GM requested further clarification on specific expectations of the Advisory Group to play a facilitation role.
 - MO noted the importance of bringing context analysis to the deliberations on future strategic direction.
 - SR and DS clarified that more detailed session roles will be shared in due course, and thanked the Advisory Group for their willingness to engage and support
- FM summarised the key points from the discussion and closed the meeting.