

**High-Level Forum on Harmonization
February 24-25, 2003 - Rome, Italy
Sala delle Conferenze Internazionali
La Farnesina—Ministry of Foreign Affairs**

Agenda

Monday, February 24, 2003

8:00 – 8:50 **Registration**

Session 1: Welcome and Opening Remarks

9:00–9:10 Welcome: *Alfredo Mantica*, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Italy
9:10–9:40 Opening address: *Benjamin W. Mkapa*, President of Tanzania
9:40–9:50 Remarks: *Jean-Claude Faure*, Chairman, OECD Development Assistance Committee
9:50– 10:00 Remarks: *Tadao Chino*, President, Asian Development Bank
10:00–10:10 Remarks: *Enrique V. Iglesias*, President, Inter-American Development Bank
10:10–10:20 Remarks: *James D. Wolfensohn*, President, World Bank Group
10:20 – 10.30 Comments and questions
10:30 – 10:45 **Coffee break**—Sala dei Mosaici

Session 2: Overview of Good Practice Principles for Harmonization

10:45 – 11:15 **Work of the OECD-DAC Task Force on Donor Practices**
Cochairs
Richard Manning, Chair, OECD-DAC Task Force
Michel Reveyrand, Vice Chair, OECD-DAC Task Force
Michael Roeskau, Director, OECD Development Co-operation Directorate
Discussants
Paul Bermingham, Chair, Subgroup on Financial Reporting and Auditing
Christopf Graf, Chair, Subgroup on Reporting and Monitoring
Carmen Ghita, Task Force member, Romania
11:15 – 12:00 Open discussion and Q&A

12:00 – 12:30 **Work of MDB Technical Working Groups**

Cochairs

James W. Adams, Vice President, Operations Policy and Country Services,
World Bank

Kunio Senga, Director General, Strategy and Policy Department, Asian
Development Bank

Philibert Afrika, Director, Operations Policy and Review, African
Development Bank

Discussants

J. Warren Evans, Director of Regional and Sustainable Development
Department, Asian Development Bank

Rodolfo Hernandez, Chief, Procurement Policy and Coordination Office,
Inter-American Development Bank

Frederic Lucenet, Chair, Operations Committee Secretariat, Policy/Product
Development, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

12:30 – 13:15 Open discussion and Q&A

13:15 – 14:30 **Lunch**

Session 3: Discussion of Lessons of Harmonization Experience—Country and Agency Perspectives

Cochairs

Len Good, President, Canadian International Development Agency

Medhat Hassanein, Minister of Finance, Egypt

Giandomenico Magliano, Director General, Development Cooperation,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italy

14:30 – 14:45 **Vietnam Experience and the Hanoi Regional Workshop Report**

Discussants

Duong Duc Ung, Director General, Ministry of Planning and Investment,
Vietnam

Motohide Yoshikawa, Deputy Director General, Economic Cooperation
Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan

John Samy, Country Director, Vietnam Resident Mission, Asian
Development Bank

Klaus Rohland, Country Director, Vietnam, World Bank

- 14:45 – 15:00 **Ethiopian Experience and the Addis Ababa Regional Workshop Report**
Discussants
Mulu Ketsela, State Minister of Finance, Ethiopia
Philibert Afrika, Director, Operations Policies and Review, African Development Bank
Soe Lin, Adviser, Operations Policy and Country Services, World Bank
- 15:00 – 15:15 **Jamaica Experience and the Kingston Regional Workshop Report**
Discussants
Wesley Hughes, Executive Director, Planning Institute of Jamaica
Ciro De Falco, Manager, Operational Department 3, Inter-American Development Bank
Orsalia Kalantzopoulos, Country Director, World Bank
- 15:15 – 16:15 Open discussion and Q&A
- 16:15 – 16:30 **Coffee break—Sala dei Mosaici**
- 16:30 – 17:00 **Other Implementation Experience**
Discussants
Jan Bjerninger, Acting Director General, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency
Tove Strand, Director General, Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation
Gilles Hervio, Cochair, Strategic Partnership with Africa Technical Group
- 17:00 – 17:30 Open discussion and Q&A
- 20:30 **Social Dinner Event Hosted by Italian Government—Villa Madama**

Tuesday, February 25, 2003

Session 4: Yesterday's Discussions, Today's Challenges

9:00 – 9:30 *Mark Malloch Brown*, Administrator, United Nations Development Programme
Eduardo Aninat, Deputy Managing Director, International Monetary Fund
K.Y. Amoako, Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Africa

Session 5: Next Steps and Actions for Implementation—Statements of Donors and Partner Countries

Cochairs

Koos Richelle, Director General for Development, European Commission
Omar Kabbaj, President, African Development Bank

9:30 – 11:00 Presentation and discussion by donors, other institutions, and partner countries
(list of speakers to be provided)

11:00 – 11:30 **Coffee break**—Sala dei Mosaici

11:30 – 13:00 Presentation and discussion by donors, other institutions, and partner countries
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13:00 – 14:30 **Lunch**

Session 6: Use of Information and Communications Technology for Aid Effectiveness and Harmonization

14.30 – 15:45 **Presentation and discussion**

Moderator

Carlos Braga, Senior Manager, Information Solutions Group, World Bank

Discussants

Mavis Sintim-Misa, Chief Executive Officer, Spectrum International
Eduardo Talero, International consultant

15.45 – 16.00 **Coffee break**—Sala dei Mosaici

Session 7: Presentation of Joint Concluding Statement

- 16:00 – 17:00 **Discussion of draft “Rome Declaration” and Endorsement
Cochairs**
Benjamin W. Mkapa, President of Tanzania
Jean-Claude Faure, Chairman, OECD-DAC
James D. Wolfensohn, President, World Bank Group
- 17:00 – 17:15 **Closing Remarks**
Vito Tanzi, Under-Secretary of State for Economy and Finance, Italy
- 17:30-18:00 Joint press conference by President Mkapa, Jean-Claude Faure, and James D. Wolfensohn, any other MDB President who wishes to participate, Alfredo Mantica, and Vito Tanzi

Note. The Farnesina has made three rooms available to participants and delegations who wish to have bilateral meetings during the Forum. To reserve a room, please contact the High-Level Forum Secretariat in the “Segreteria della Sala delle Conferenze Internazionali.”