

Consultative Group Meeting
Maputo, Mozambique
8 November 2011

Handout 8: Partnership Matters
Support Document: EXCO Membership Overview and TOR

Background:

The membership and responsibilities of the Executive Committee were updated as part of the revisions to the CA Charter made at the Mexico City meeting of the CG. It was also agreed at that meeting to extend the terms of current EXCO members that were expiring in 2010, by one year, so as to maintain continuity during the transition period.

There are four EXCO members up for rotation at end of 2011.

Recommended Action:

- Appoint four new members to the EXCO (one representative from External Support Countries/Agencies, one representative from Developing Countries, and two additional members selected by the CG).

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PARTNERSHIP MATTERS

The following background information pertains to the Partnership Matters agenda item for the CG meeting.

New Executive Committee Member Appointments

The Executive Committee was established during the November 2007 meeting of the CG in Manila. The membership of EXCO during 2011 has consisted of:

PERMANENT MEMBERS: UCLG (Chair)
UN-Habitat
World Bank

ROTATING MEMBERS:

External Support Countries/Agencies: Germany, 2009-2011
Norway, 2010-2012

Developing Countries: South Africa, 2009-2011

Elected by the CG: Chile, 2009-2011
UNEP, 2009-2011

Four members are scheduled to rotate off the Committee, under the rules governing EXCO as stipulated by the new Charter unanimously adopted at the Mexico City meeting of the Consultative Group in 2010. They are: Chile, Germany, South Africa, and UNEP.

Previous rotating members of EXCO and its predecessor body, the Steering Committee: Netherlands (2001), United Kingdom (2001-2002), Germany (2002-2003), United States (2003-2004), Sweden (2004-2005), Japan (2005-2006), Norway (2006-2008), Brazil (2006-2008), Asian Development Bank (2007-2008), Nigeria (2007-2008), and France (2007-2009).

TOR of the Executive Committee, as per the 2011 Cities Alliance Charter:

1. The primary functions of EXCO
 - a) Provide guidance to the Secretariat on matters of policy and strategy;
 - b) Approve the Business Plan, annual work plan and budget of the Cities Alliance, including that of the Secretariat and the Policy Advisory Forum, subject to ratification by the CG;
 - c) Monitor progress and make recommendations to the CG;
 - d) Participate in the selection of the Manager of the Secretariat;
 - e) Approve any operating manuals produced by the Secretariat;
 - f) Select countries for country programmes;
 - g) Nominate the Chairperson of the Policy Advisory Forum for CG appointment;
 - h) Respond to requests from the CG; and
 - i) Consider applications for membership and make recommendations to the Consultative Group.

2. Composition of the EXCO

EXCO comprises three permanent members, five rotating members, and one ex-officio member.

 - Permanent Members:
 - UCLG (Chair)
 - UN-Habitat
 - The World Bank;
 - Rotating Members:
 - Two representatives from external support countries/agencies;
 - One developing country representative; and
 - Two other members, elected by the CG
 - Ex-officio Member:
 - The Manager of the Cities Alliance Secretariat

3. The Chairperson of the EXCO may invite the Chairperson of the PAF to participate in the discussions of the EXCO as an Observer.

4. Permanent Members and Rotating Members are decision making, and the Ex-Officio Member and Observer are non-decision making.

5. Rotating members are selected by the CG for three year terms, appointed on a staggered basis.

6. The UCLG representative acts as the Chairperson of the EXCO. If, for any reason, the UCLG representative is not available, the EXCO members will elect a Chairperson for that meeting.