WEBINAR: SOUTH-SOUTH AND TRIANGULAR COOPERATION IN THE CONTEXT OF COVID-19

LESSONS, EXPERIENCES AND INSIGHTS FOR THE FUTURE OF DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

15 September 2020
0900 – 1200 HRS (New York time)
Online (Over Zoom)

The world is going through an unprecedented time, grappling with the socio-economic challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Countries are dealing with this challenge by strengthening their healthcare systems, conducting research to find a cure or vaccine and providing social safety nets to make sure those who are vulnerable don’t suffer extreme consequences. In this context, many countries have also been helping each other through South-South and Triangular Cooperation. Stakeholders ranging from governments to bilateral cooperation agencies, private sector to civil society, have learned many lessons, enhanced their experiences and gained new insights into development cooperation.

This webinar will provide an opportunity to discuss early lessons learned and share experiences from the development cooperation scene in the context of the ongoing pandemic, while looking into specific insights about how South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTrC) has been used so far, and how it can further be strengthened to benefit development cooperation in times of severe and sudden external shocks in the future.

Join speakers from various cooperation and development agencies from across the globe and share your insights through this event!

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| 09:00 - 09:30 | Welcoming Remarks and Setting the Context | Mr. Jorge Chediek  
UNOSSC Director and the Envoy of the Secretary-General on South-South Cooperation  
H.E. Mr. Mansur Muhtar  
Vice President, Country Programs, IsDB  
Dr. Carlos Correa  
Executive Director, South Centre |
| 09:30 - 10:15 | Session 1  
Challenges, Experiences and Lessons Learned from National and Regional Cooperation Agencies/Institutions in the Context of COVID-19 Pandemic. | Moderator: Prof. Yuefen Li  
Senior Adviser, South-South Cooperation and Development Finance, South Centre  
Panelists  
H.E. Mr. Mohamed Methqal  
Ambassador, Director General, Morocco International Cooperation Agency (AMCI)  
H.E. Mr. Imad Zuhairi  
Ambassador, Director General, Palestinian International Cooperation Agency (PICA)  
Dr. Rahman Nurdun  
Vice President, Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TIKA)  
Dr. Pius Olakunle Osunyikanmi  
Director General, Directorate of Technical Aid Corps, Nigeria (DTAC)  
Mrs. Carla Guazzini  
Head, South-South Department, Chilean Agency for International Cooperation for Development (AGCID) |
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| 10:15  | Session 2                                     | **Moderator:** Mr. Tarik Iziraren  
Deputy Director for Policy and Strategic Partnership, UNOSSC                |
|        | **Panelists**                                 | **Dr. Carlos Correa**  
Executive Director, South Centre                                           |
|        |                                               | **Ms. Mia Mikic**  
Director, UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) |
|        |                                               | **Mrs. Estherine Lisinge-Fotabong**  
Director, Programme Innovation and Planning Directorate, African Union Development Agency (NEPAD) |
|        |                                               | **Dr. Rashmi Banga**  
Senior Economic Affairs Officer, Unit on Economic Cooperation & Integration Among Developing Countries, GDS, UNCTAD |
|        |                                               | **Mr. Ahmed Faruk Diken**  
Senior Technical Cooperation Coordinator, Reverse Linkage, IsDB              |
|        | 10:15 - 11:00                                 | Discussion with the participants                                           |
| 11:00  |                                               | **Mr. Jorge Chediek**  
UNOSSC Director and the Envoy of the Secretary-General on South-South Cooperation |
| 11:30  | Closing Remarks                               | **Mr. Amadou Thierno Diallo**  
Director General, Global Practices, IsDB                                     |

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