Board of Directors Meeting

9-10 November 2011, Copenhagen, Denmark

GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP *for* EDUCATION

Key Decisions

BOD/2011/11-01 – Communications Strategy: The Board of Directors takes note of the Communications Strategy attached as Annex 1 to BOD/2011/11—DOC 04 and the comments made by the Board of Directors at its November 2011 meeting and requests the Secretariat to provide an updated strategy and associated budget to the Board of Directors for its approval no later than the next face-to-face meeting of the Board of Directors.

BOD/2011/11-02 – Strategic Plan for the Global Partnership for Education 2011-2014: The Board of Directors takes note of "A Strategic Vision for the Global Partnership for Education 2011-2014" (BOD/2011/11—DOC 02), and requests the Chair to form a Working Group of the Board of Directors, working with the Secretariat, to develop a strategic plan and associated implementation plan and budget, for the Global Partnership for 2012-2015 (the "Strategic Plan"). The Board of Directors requests that the Working Group engages with the members of the Global Partnership in its development of the Strategic Plan which it shall present at a retreat to be held immediately prior to the next face-to-face meeting of the Board of Directors.

BOD/2011/11-03 – Strategic Directions for the Global Partnership for Education 2011-2014: The Board of Directors:

(i) takes note of the paper on the Strategic Directions of the Global Partnership for Education 2011-2014 (BOD/2011/11—DOC 06);
(ii) affirms the commitment of the Global Partnership to the directions; and
(iii) requests the Working Group developing the Strategic Plan to use the paper as contribution to that process.

BOD/2011/11-04 – Amendments to the Terms of Reference of the Financial Advisory Committee: The Board of Directors approves the amendments to the Terms of Reference of the Financial Advisory Committee as set out in BOD/2011/11-DOC 07, Annex 4, Attachment 1, which shall come into effect on 1 January 2012.

BOD/2011/11-05 – Financial Advisory Committee: The Board of Directors:

(i) endorses the appointment of Camilla Helgø Fossberg as Chair of the Financial Advisory Committee (FAC), subject to ratification by the FAC membership; and
(ii) notes that the terms of reference of the FAC permit the appointment of alternate members.

(iii) in order to permit the FAC Chair to chair meetings without prejudice, the Board of Directors amends the terms of reference of the FAC to allow the Alternate FAC member from the Chair's constituency/ies to attend meetings and to represent the interests of the constituency/ies.

The Board of Directors encourages constituencies to partner their representation on the FAC in order to keep the FAC membership to a maximum of 14 members.

BOD/2011/11-06 – <u>Policy on Conflicts of Interest</u>: The Board of Directors approves the Policy on Conflicts of Interest as set out in Annex 1 of BOD/2011/11 – DOC 09. The Board of Directors requests the Secretariat to deliver by 1 February 2012, draft terms of reference for the Ethics Committee, including its role and responsibilities, composition, and a process for selecting the membership and committee chair, for review and approval by the Board of Directors.

BOD/2011/11-07 – <u>Monitoring and Evaluation Strategy</u>: The Board of Directors:

(i) endorses the need for an effective monitoring and evaluation capacity within the Partnership and Secretariat which will:
   (a) support and draw upon country monitoring and evaluation systems; and
   (b) utilize existing partner monitoring and evaluation resources to the maximum extent possible;

(ii) authorizes the Secretariat, subject to written comments from Board members to be submitted to the Secretariat within two weeks, to move forward with the Results Framework and Accountability Matrix with a proviso that both may be amended once the overall Strategic Plan is approved;

(iii) requests the Chair to provide to the Board of Directors by 31 March 2012:
   (a) the terms of reference for an independent Steering Committee, which will to report to the Board of Directors; and
   (b) the proposed selection criteria and process for membership in the Steering Committee; and

(iv) requests that the Steering Committee, once constituted, recommend for approval of the Board of Directors the evaluation design that will both report on progress on education outcomes as well as the value-added of the Global Partnership.