A Fast Track to 2015

Educating the World’s Children for a Better Future

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Current Financial Status

- Donors pledges to the CF to date amount **US$1.6 billion**
- Of which approximately **US$1.5 billion** have been allocated as of Sept. 2009
- CF is facing financing gap of **US$1.2 billion** to support ESPs of new and current countries between Oct. 2009 and Dec. 2010
Current Financial Status

• There is an urgent need to secure signed pledges for these funds and replenish the trust fund by **Dec. 31, 2009** to close the gap of phase I of the Replenishment
Status Report

• At the invitation of 14 African Education and Finance Ministers, representatives from 16 donor countries (Ministers of Development Cooperation and Directors General) attended a round table in Istanbul on Oct. 4, 2009

• Donors reaffirmed commitments to EFA and expressed support for EFA FTI Replenishment
Status Report

Outreach to Donors and CSOs

• met in October with donor partners in **UK**
• had series of meetings with the **US administration** (USAID/US State Department, Congresswoman Lowey)
• **CSOs** (GCE, ONE Goal campaign, DATA/ONE)
Next Steps

• Implement **key recommendations** from the external evaluation

• Prepare **analysis of long term financing needs** for Board approval by a date to be agreed on

• Organize **follow-up activities with African Ministers** and explore other high level advocates and engage them on targeted activities

• Identify and pursue **new donors**
Next Steps

- Identify opportunities presented by **global gatherings** (EU presidency, G8/G20, Davos, high level session at UNGA opening)
- Organize **visits** by Carol Bellamy to **donor capitals**
- Collaborate with the **ONE Goal campaign** for EFA on specific activities
- **Increase** EFA FTI **visibility** between now and the pledging event in 2010
Decision Points

• Board endorses Dec. 31, 2009 deadline for signed pledges for the US$1.2 billion

• Board reiterates support for the revised strategic action plan as presented – further updated plan refining phase II activities to be shared by Feb. 1, 2010

• Board agrees to engage leaders of government to support EFA FTI replenishment in written statements or other means of communication before April 1, 2010
Decision Points

• Board agrees to engage the ONE Goal campaign with more prominent call for support to EFA through existing channels (joint events in Dec. 2009 and early Spring 2010)

• Board asks for prominence of funding EFA goals on the G8 agenda under upcoming Canadian G8 presidency – asks all G8 Board members to collaborate to make this happen

• Secretariat to present a proposal for the long term financing needs at a date to be agreed on

• Board approves the proposal for a pledging event in June/July 2010