Agenda Today

1. Update on GPC Work and Decisions Since December 2016 Meeting and Chair Reflections
2. ESPIG Application – decision
3. Update on Grant Pipeline
Update on GPC Work and Decisions Since December Board
GPC Work Since December Board

- 1 CGPC Retreat (January)
- 1 GPC Face-to-Face Meeting (May)
- 4 Audio Calls
- Several non-objection decisions
## GPC Work Since December Board

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<tr>
<th>Decision category</th>
<th>Details</th>
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<td>ESPIG variable part</td>
<td>Ethiopia (ref. BOD/2016/12-08) delegating authority for approval of the variable part of Ethiopia’s ESPIG)</td>
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<td>Ex-ante pre-approved</td>
<td>The Gambia, Guinea Bissau, Puntland</td>
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<td>Accelerated funding</td>
<td>Somaliland</td>
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<td>ESPIG revisions and extensions</td>
<td>Afghanistan, Benin, Chad (2), DRC, Ethiopia, Guinea Bissau, Madagascar, Rwanda, Sudan, Tanzania, + GRA Pearl</td>
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Chair reflections

Committee approach:
• Value-add of GPC vis a vis Secretariat, other Committees and Board
• ‘Reflective practice’
• Work-load and increased number of meetings

Key grant-related issues:
• Impact of new Quality Assurance process
• Implications of large number of grant extensions
• Learning to date on variable part component
Education Sector Program
Implementation Grant Proposal
Lesotho Proposal

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<th>Country</th>
<th>Allocation Requested</th>
<th>Fixed Part (70%)</th>
<th>Variable Part (30%)</th>
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<td>Lesotho</td>
<td>US$2,300,000</td>
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GPC Final Assessment Methodology

- Fixed Part Requirements
- Quality Standards for Assessment of Program Documents
- Equity, Efficiency, Learning Indicators
Lesotho: Grant Program

Improve basic education service delivery and student retention in targeted schools:

→ Improvement in teacher content knowledge in targeted primary schools.

→ Improvement in teacher content knowledge in targeted junior secondary schools.

→ Reduction in dropout rate in targeted schools.
Lesotho: Fixed Part Requirements

- Credible, endorsed ESP and implementation plan
- Multiple sources of data available
- Commitment to Finance the ESP
  - > 23.3% of overall recurrent budget goes into education
  - >58% of education budget to primary education in 2015
Risk

Sector Risk: MODERATE
- ESP is in operation, supported by DPs, Financial gap as of 2021 of plan
- Strategy to close the gap, Secretariat monitoring

Program Risk: SUBSTANTIAL
- Fiduciary Safeguards of the GA relative to risk level
- Secretariat monitoring of safeguards
- LEG accountability strengthening
Lesotho: GPC Recommendation

- **Recommend Approval of Allocation**
- **Observation:** Feasibility study integration EMIS in Ministry
- **Report-Backs:**
  - Robust strategy to fully fund ESP
  - Set annual targets for intermediate indicators in ESP results framework
  - Resume annual joint sector reviews
BOD/2017/06-XX—Approval of Allocation for an Education Sector Program

Implementation Grant: The Board of Directors with respect to the application submitted in the first round of 2017:

1. Notes compliance with the requirements for accessing the maximum country allocation, as described in the application and summarized in Annexes 2 and 3 to BOD/2017/06 DOC 18.

2. Approves an allocation from GPE trust funds for an education sector program implementation grant (ESPIG), as described in the application and summarized in Table 1 in BOD/2017/06-XX 2 (c), subject to:
   a. Availability of funds.
   b. Board decision BOD/2012/11-04 on commitment of trust funds for ESPIGs in annual installments.
   c. GPC recommendations for funding include (all amounts in US$):
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<td>a.</td>
<td>Maximum Country Allocation</td>
<td>2,300,000</td>
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<td>Allocation Requested (100%)</td>
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<td>c.</td>
<td>Fixed Part</td>
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<td>d.</td>
<td>Variable Part</td>
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<td>e.</td>
<td>Allocation Recommended by GPC</td>
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<td>f.</td>
<td>Grant Agent</td>
<td>World Bank</td>
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<td>g.</td>
<td>Agency Fee % - Amount</td>
<td>1.75%–40,250</td>
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<td>h.</td>
<td>Period</td>
<td>3 years</td>
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<td>i.</td>
<td>Expected Start Date</td>
<td>August 31, 2017</td>
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<td>j.</td>
<td>Variable Part Disbursement Modality</td>
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3. Requests the Secretariat to:
   a. Include in its notification to Lesotho, the relevant grant agent and coordinating agency, for distribution to the local education group (LEG), of the approval of the allocation and the expected timeframe for signing of the Grant Agreement and grant effectiveness, as applicable, as well as the conditions, requests for report-back, and observations on the program as recommended by the GPC and set out in Annex 1 to BOD/2017/06 DOC 18.
   b. Include an update on the issues listed as “conditions” and “report back” in the annual Portfolio Review.
Update on ESPIG Pipeline
GPE at Work: MCA based Pipeline

September 2017
- Afghanistan
- Burkina Faso
- Cabo Verde
- Cambodia
- Cote d’Ivoire
- Madagascar
- Somalia-Somaliland
- Tanzania-Zanzibar

US $265.91 million
44.3 million children

November 2017
- Chad
- Comoros
- Eritrea
- The Gambia
- Guinea-Bissau
- Nicaragua
- Somalia-Central South
- Sierra Leone
- South Sudan
- Zimbabwe (variable)

US $124.12 million
14.7 million children

February 2018
- Benin
- Bhutan
- Burundi
- Haiti
- Maldives
- Mali
- Myanmar
- Papua New Guinea
- Togo

US $192 million
25 million children

* Education Sector Plan Development Grant Recipient
Pipeline Process

- **ESA**
  - Launched in **10** countries
  - Completed in **13**
  - Planned in **4**

- **ESP Appraisal**
  - 6 countries have completed an independent ESP appraisal
  - In progress in **5**
  - Planned in **10**
  - 3 countries yet to plan

- **QAR 1**
  - QAR 1 launched in **17** countries
  - Completed in **1** country
  - Planned in **9**

- **QAR 2**
  - Completed in **2**
  - **12** countries will conclude in June 2017
  - In progress in **4** for Aug 2017
  - Planning is underway in **7** countries
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