

THE DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS GROUP (DPG)

The Development Partners Group (DPG) is a collective of 34 bilateral and multilateral entities committed to the advancement of development in Ethiopia. The primary aim of the DPG is to stimulate policy discussions and synchronize the efforts of development partners to ensure the successful execution and monitoring of the national development plan and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

DPG DIALOGUE STRUCTURE



The High-Level Forum (HLF) is the highest level of engagement between the Government of Ethiopia and Development Partners. It takes place twice a year in the form of a High Level Development Forum (HLDF) and a High Level Business Forum. The HLDF focuses on a pre agreed theme linked with the Ten Year Development Plan (TYDP) and Global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) encompassing development effectiveness agendas. The HLFs are organized by MoF with the support of the DPG Secretariat.



The Executive Committee (ExCom) is currently composed of 12 DPG Heads of Agencies. These include 4 permanent multi-lateral members (the World Bank, the United Nations, the African Development Bank and the United Nations Development Programme), the 4 highest bilateral ODA contributors to the country (currently, the European Union, UK-FCDO, USAID and Germany), plus 4 rotating bilateral members serving a 2 year period (currently Canada, Sweden, Austria & JICA). The ExCom meets once a month to set the agenda of DPG Heads of Agencies meetings and make strategic decisions in consultation with DPG HoAs.



The Effective Development Cooperation Task Force (EDCTF) facilitates dialogue and collaboration among development stakeholders to promote sustainable and inclusive development in Ethiopia. It coordinates efforts between development partners and the government, aligning with national plans, Agenda 2063, Agenda 2030, and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda. The EDCTF oversees Joint Working Groups by ensuring HLDF decisions are implemented. Membership is open to bilateral or multilateral partners upon rotation - 5 Directors from MoF and 1 from MoPD, and 6 pillar leads from the DPG.



Heads of Agencies (HoA) meetings will serve to hold in-depth discussions about strategic topics related to the implementation of the national development plans and other emerging issues. Discussions may serve DPG members to better align and harmonize their support to national priorities. They have one core topic of discussion and focus on results and challenges in various sectors, present research relevant to the development community, and discuss on

socio-economic, humanitarian and development related topics

MEMBERS OF THE DPG

The DPG has an inclusive membership policy open to Addis Ababa-based development partners – bilateral and multilateral, as well as International Financial Institutions – with an active development programme in Ethiopia.

Applications for membership are discussed and decided by consensus at the DPG Executive Committee meetings. The ExCom then makes a recommendation for approval to Heads of Agencies. Potential DPG members are welcome to discuss directly with the DPG Secretariat for more information.



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DPG THEMATIC AREAS/ PILLARS

The structure of the DPG encompasses five thematic domains, each organized under specific sectoral activities. Each domain consists of working groups that function within that specific pillar. Currently, the DPG structure includes (at this point 17) Joint Working Groups (JWGs). These JWGs are expected to collaborate to formulate and oversee sector investment plans and funding strategies. They work to align efforts with the TYDP, monitor and plan investments, report on their progress, and explore innovative financing methods. Through their work, the JWGs contribute to the effective and efficient use of resources, ultimately driving Ethiopia's development forward. The 5 pillars are aligned with the TYDP. The working groups provide technical support for the realization of the national development plan.



DPG QUICK FACTS

