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Economic and Social Council Operational Activities Segment Informal side Event

Pooled funding, Coherence and Scale: QCPR indicator 11 and the lessons learned for financing Agenda 2030

Save the date: 23 February 2016, 8h30 – 9h45 am

We are pleased to inform you of the side event that the Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office (MPTF Office) is organizing on **23 February 2016 from 8h30 to 9h45.** The event on "Pooled funding, Coherence and Scale: QCPR indicator 11 and the lessons learned for financing Agenda 2030" will be held in the UN Secretariat Building at the Delegates Dining Room, **Private Rooms 1-3.** A light breakfast will be provided.

UN inter-agency pooled funds are known for their important roles as 'centres of gravity' which anchor partnerships and strengthen integrated action in the UN system. This side event looks at the role of pooled funds in enhancing UN coherence and development effectiveness at the level of specific programme countries. The focus is on some of the ten countries (tentatively Guinee, Papua New Guinea and Somalia), that made the 2014 list for QCPR indicator 11: programme countries where over 20 % of UN expenditures was financed through UN inter-agency pooled funds

Key issues to be debated include:

- What lessons can be learned from countries that have taken UN pooled funds "to scale" and finance a significant portion (> 20 %) of the UN strategic programmatic framework in the country through a financing mechanism that aims to promote UN coherence?
- What additional role do pooled funds play at country level in supporting the coordination and integration of interventions across the different pillars in the work of the UN system?
- How can the lessons learned be used to shape the role of pooled funds at country, regional and global level in financing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development?

The panel will feature representatives of programme countries, contributing countries and the United Nations system. It will be moderated by Kanni Wignaraja, Director of the UN Development Operations Coordination Office.

The event is organized by the MPTF Office, a UN center of expertise on pooled funding mechanisms. The MPTF Office's current portfolio is over \$8.5 billion in total and includes over 100 pooled funds established to support humanitarian, transition, development and climate change interventions. More information is available on <u>mptf.undp.org</u>.

If you are interested in attending this event, please confirm your participation by email to: <u>executivecoordinator.mptfo@undp.org</u>

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