



**Draft EU intervention at second informal consultations**  
**21 April 2017**

Co-facilitators,

- I have the honour to speak on behalf of the EU and its Member States.
- We welcome the publication on 31 March of the draft 2017 Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) report which for the first time covers a full year of implementation of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda (AAAA).
- We appreciated the briefings on the report held by DESA between 3 and 12 April, jointly with Task Force Members from the IMF, World Bank, UNCTAD, UNDP and others. The EU and Member States' comments on the draft 2017 IATF report have been published on the FFD website.
- We expect that the IATF report will be a very good basis for our discussions over the coming weeks and at the FFD Forum itself.
- In line with our remarks during the first informal on April 4 and the EU and Member States' comments on the IATF report, we would ask the co-facilitators to take the following into account when preparing the zero draft of the outcome document:
  - The draft should be based on the IATF report and reflect all the action areas of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda (AAAA), as well as the cross-cutting issues, including gender, highlighting progress and gaps.
  - The draft should thus be fact-based and reflect the balance within the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, covering the full range of Means of Implementation (public/private/domestic/international) and the critical role of policies should be included.
  - The draft should be concise, like e.g. the HLPF outcome document, and follow the structure of the IATF report.
- We would also expect that the document frames the Addis Ababa Action Agenda as the global framework for financing sustainable development, as an integral part of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and as such supports and complements it and helps to contextualize its means of implementation targets with concrete policies and actions.

- We would further expect the draft outcome document to include references to the political commitments and reforms required from countries to improve domestic resource mobilization and to the catalytic role that ODA can play to mobilize additional public or private resources, e.g. through blending, as well as to the operationalization of deliverables and relevant other processes as noted in Addis, such as the Global Infrastructure Forum and the Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation.
- Finally, we reiterate our request, shared by all speakers during the first consultation on April 4, that the negotiations be finalized before the FFD Forum.

Thank you.