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Global Council Transition Meeting, 26 July 2022 MINUTES

Attendees

Global Council

Adnan Bahiya, AB, Iraq (MENA)
Aida Gamboa, AG, Peru (Latin America)
Athayde Motta, AM, Brazil (Latin America)
Carly Oboth, CO, USA, (Europe & North America)
Chadwick Llanos, CL, Philippines (Asia Pacific)
Evelyne Tsague, ET, NREGI (Global Reach)
Fatima Diallo, FD (ASC Representative)
Fuad Hasanov, FH, Azerbaijan (Eurasia)
Georges Mpaga, GPA, Gabon (Francophone Africa)
Gloria Majiga, GM, Malawi (Anglophone Africa)
Maria Ramos, MR, Oxfam America (Global Reach)
Monday Osasah, MO, Nigeria (Anglophone Africa)
Olena Pavlenko, OP, Ukraine (Eurasia), Chair
Saswati Swetlena, SS, India (Asia Pacific)

Secretariat

Stephanie Rochford, SR, Director of Member Engagement
Joseph Bardwell, JB, Director of Communications and Campaign
Irene Mwende, IM, Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning Coordinator
Nyree Woolston, NW, Operations Manager

Invitees

Matteo Pellegrini, MP, Mid-strategy Review Consultant

Apologies

Joe Kraus, JK, USA (Europe and North America)
Mariatou Amadou, MA, Niger (Francophone Africa)
Nora Hasan, NH, Iraq (MENA)

Decisions

- The Global Council appointed a new Chair, Monday Osasah.
- The Global Council appointed a new Board Liason, Saswati Swetlena.

Welcome and review of agenda

The meeting opened with a round of introductions. The outgoing Chair (OP) reviewed the agenda, stressing that this meeting provided a unique opportunity for incoming Global Council members to learn from outgoing members. The agenda was adopted by consensus.

Review of actions from the last meeting

The last meeting focused on key issues including the Energy Transition and the role of the Secretariat in supporting the EITI Board members. There were no actions from the last meeting.



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Reflections from the former Global Council and suggestions for ongoing priorities

JB introduced the session and encouraged outgoing members to share their reflections.

Reflections

The Global Council thanked PWYP for the opportunity to be a part of such a collaborative group, which has also provided many learning opportunities during their three-year tenure, particularly when navigating the national, regional and global contexts. Further regional perspectives were shared as part of the reflections. The outgoing Global Council has developed methods of working which could be reviewed and possibly amended for the coming three years, including the establishment and leadership of thematic working groups on priority work areas. Observers are also permitted to attend Global Council meetings and this could be a useful tool to enhance engagement and further collaboration across the network.

Opportunities

The Global Council noted on-going priorities, including how to continue working effectively with the EITI as well as the need to support civic space. In addition the Global Council discussed the need to ensure transparency in the energy transition, noting the need for a cohesive strategy. Mechanisms to support regional check-ups and enhance member engagement in advance of meetings were also shared.

Selection of Chair and Board Liaison

NW gave an overview of the primary responsibilities of the Global Council as outlined in the governance manual. The incoming Global Council members discussed the role and responsibilities of the Chair and Board Liaison functions. Following expressions of interest, the Global Council reached a decision by unanimous consensus, to accept Monday Osasah's nomination as the new Global Council Chair. Following multiple expressions of interest for the Board Liaison role, Saswati Swetlena was appointed, on a vote of 7 to 2, in favour.

Presentation of findings from the mid-strategy review

IM shared an overview of the mid-strategy review and introduced MP who presented key findings. The purpose of the mid-strategy review is to distil progress, challenges and lessons identified during the implementation of Vision 2025 to inform the remainder of the strategy as well as to develop an operational plan for the next 2.5 years. The review took place between January - June 2022 and the scope of the work was defined in tandem with the Global Council and Secretariat. The work of members as well as the secretariat was reviewed, 7 focus group discussions took place across PWYP as well as over 30, 1-2-1 interviews. Generally, good progress has been made against the strategy, with most progress made under "informed" "heard" and "connected".

- Informed: evidence of extensive work on contracts, social and environmental disclosures, ongoing on climate risks.
- Heard: significant work/results on civic space, focus on community-relevant disclosures and mechanisms (local MSGs), FPIC work is geographically concentrated.
- Connected: multi-year investment bearing fruit. Coalitions are stronger and collaborate across borders. PWYP works across movements.

MP presented an overview of the in-depth review against the 5 topics and continued to share recommendations, which include;

- Enhancing focus on the energy transition
- Taking stock of lessons from civic space work



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- Grow the use of data in evidence-based advocacy efforts
- Maintain responsive support on contract disclosure campaign
- Continue to monitor uptake of the gender equity agenda

Discussion and validation of findings from the mid-strategy review

The Global Council thanked MP for the clear presentation and sharing key findings for consideration. The conclusions and recommendations resonated with the Global Council in particular regarding the energy transition. The message on the energy and climate crisis needs to be bolder as a collective and differentiated between high and low emitting countries. The implications of mining needs to be disaggregated as well as what the phase out means for gas, coal, and oil producing countries. In the context of civic space, PWYP needs to consider how best to assume risk, across cultural and country exchanges. With respect to data use, PWYP has seen success in project economic analysis and modelling, leveraging contracts and public data for broader reform. The report was highly informative and the Global Council look forward to socialising the analysis across their respective regions.

AOB

MO closed the meeting with words of encouragement to the new Global Council members and thanked the outgoing members for bringing strategic leadership during their tenure. The new Global Council has much success to build upon.

The next meeting will take place in September 2022.

Closing

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.