Concept Note for Small Scale Consultations
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SEVENTH INTERNATIONAL DIALOGUE WORKING GROUP MEETING ON NEW DEAL IMPLEMENTATION
22-23 May 2015, Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire
Working Group on New Deal Implementation

Concept Note: National small scale consultations

AIM
Aim of the small scale consultations is to bring together actors from government, donors and civil society to reflect on the New Deal Implementation processes in the country (Fragility Assessment, Compact, Indicators etc) to feed into the Implementation Working Group Workshop on the Guidance Note updating process.

This does not aim to replace the broader scale national consultation originally planned, but are just a first attempt to gather views from the country level.

PARTICIPANTS
The consultations should bring together:

- 3-4 Government representatives
- 2-3 Key donors
- 2-3 Civil society representatives

TIME FRAME
The consultations should take place before the Implementation Working group Meeting in Abidjan, 22-23 May 2015. They should take about 2-3 hours, max. ½ day.

CONTENT
The following questions should be addressed (depending on the country context):

1. Has the Fragility Assessment (FA) effectively captured the drivers of conflict, fragility and resilience?
2. How is progress being measured against the FA?
3. How did the FA process and findings feed into the development of the Compact?
4. What are the lessons emerging to date around the role, utility and impact of the New Deal Compact?
5. How is the FA, indicators and Compact feeding into national planning processes as well international partner planning frameworks and strategies?
6. How are compacts informing UN, donor and other international partner planning frameworks and strategies in ways that offer lessons?
7. What recommendations do national teams have for guidance on the FA, Compacts, Indicators, and general ND Implementation? How can these guidance products be made easier to understand and better to utilise, particularly for practitioners in the field?

OUTPUT
Expected product of the consultations:

- A 1-2 page document with key findings to be presented in Abidjan.

FUNDING
- Small funds could be made available by the UNDP country offices for the consultations