



**3<sup>RD</sup> PFD SESSION:  
CSO ENABLING ENVIRONMENT**

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# KEY COMPONENTS OF CSO EE

- CPDE Framework
- **Area One: Universally accepted human rights and freedoms affecting CSOs**
  - Dimension One: Recognition of rights and freedoms affecting CSOs
  - Dimension Two: The legal and regulatory environment, implementing rights and freedoms affecting CSOs.
  - Dimension Three: Rights of specific groups



# KEY COMPONENTS OF CSO EE

- **Area Two: Policy Influencing**
  - Dimension One: Spaces for dialogue and policy influencing.
  - Dimension Two: Access to information
- **Area Three: Donor – CSO relationships**



# CPDE EFFORTS ON CSO EE

- Working through regional and local constituencies
- CPDE's Working Groups (WG) focus on a variety of arenas at the global level, including on CSO EE and the Post-2015 negotiations
- Busan Monitoring Workshop in Seoul, Korea (November 2014)
- Global Synthesis Report (in progress)



# CPDE EFFORTS ON CSO EE

- CSO Consultations and monitoring initiatives
- Coordinating with a of local CSOs and provide them a platform with which to air their positions in global policy arenas.
- *Policy Advocacy Structures*: Coordinating Committee, Global Council, Policy Advocacy officer, Working Groups



# RESULTS

- CPDE has managed to rally under its banner a diversity of CSOs while expanding and deepening the international policy debate **from aid to development effectiveness** – and crucially, the role **CSOs** are to play in all of that.



# KEY CHALLENGES

- For CPDE as a network
  - Coordination between local and regional constituencies
  - Generating a culture of trust and solidarity
  - Consistency of policy positions



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## ○ For CSO EE

- Non-responsive donor-CSO policies
- Funding modalities and conditions
- Availability of institutional funding
- Public awareness programming in donor countries
- Pressures for uncritical CSO alignment with government policies
- Donor-dependency and direct funding to developing country CSOs
- Opportunities and resources lacking for developing country policy dialogue between governments and CSOs



# MAIN TAKEAWAYS

- Strengthen **transparency, accountability, and trust** within CPDE's internal structures to ensure stronger lobbying positions on key development issues, including CSO EE, in the long-term



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- Facilitate **consultations among CPDE's CSO constituency** at various levels to ensure consistency between local and global policy advocacy positions on CSO EE



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- At the country level, efforts to push for an Enabling Environment for CSOs must go hand in hand with efforts to lobby more strongly in the direction of **HRBA and Inclusive Development**. These themes should be discussed more thoroughly both among CPDE's internal networks and in wider policy forums



# PROMOTING CSO EE

- **Establish permanent institutionalized spaces** for dialogue
- Facilitate inclusive **engagement of a diversity of civil society actors** on policy and its implementation at all levels
- **Build open and timely access to information and transparent accountability mechanisms** and processes, protected by legislation.
- Implement **full transparency for budget documentation** and deepen citizens' direct engagement with the budgetary processes.



# PROMOTING CSO EE

- Build inclusive fully participatory processes from the country level to the global level in order to **establish a new global consensus on the post-2015 sustainable development goals** and directions for achieving these goals at the country level.
- Support capacities for a wide range of CSOs to participate effectively in multi-stakeholder policy processes.

