



the thematic programme CSOs and LAs

2014-2020

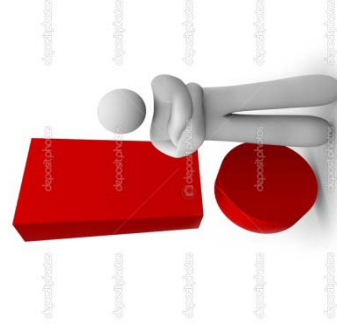
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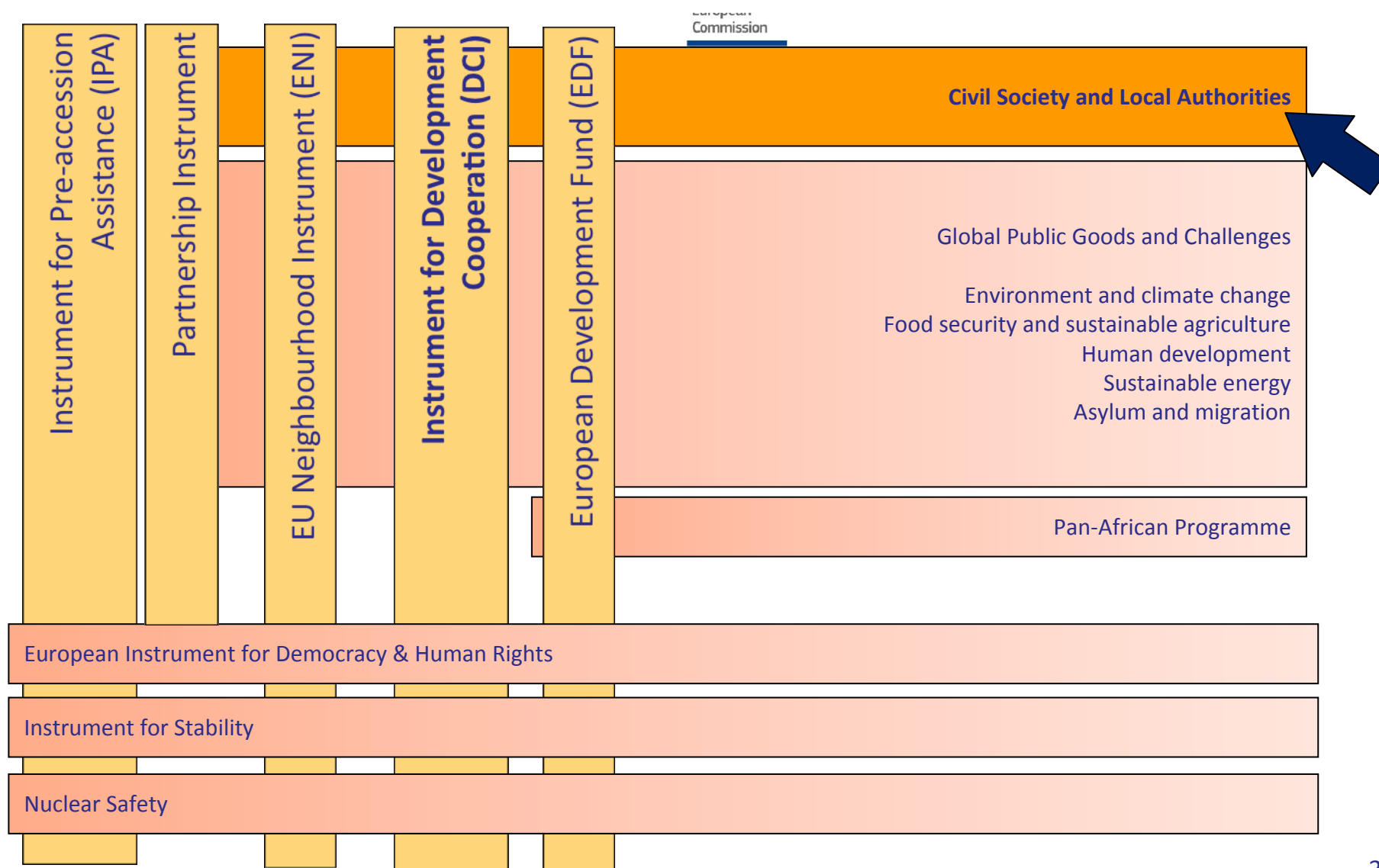
It must be underlined that DCI negotiations on the involvement of the co-legislators in programming are still on-going with the European Parliament and the Council.

Therefore the discussions taking place in this forum may not prejudice their outcome, in particular concerning the specific objectives and priorities for each programme fixed in the Regulations themselves or in future delegated acts.

The Commission has also proposed to hold a Strategic dialogue with the European Parliament by which the latter will be able to exert an ex ante political control of the objectives, priorities and allocations to be included in the Multiannual Indicative Programmes before they are adopted.



Overview of proposed future Instruments (2014- 2020)





Thematic Programme CSOs/LAs:

- Actor-based programme benefitting CSOs and LAs
- Built upon solid EU policy commitments, aims at contributing to their full implementation
- Global coverage (all countries except IPA and industrialized)
- EC proposal in MFF 2011: €2 B for 2014-20
- Not subject to "graduation" nor "differentiation" criteria: active in LDCs, LICs, MICs and also in countries graduating from bilateral development assistance

3-level priorities:

- Country level actions (**this session**)
- Regional and global levels
- Development Education and Awareness Raising DEAR

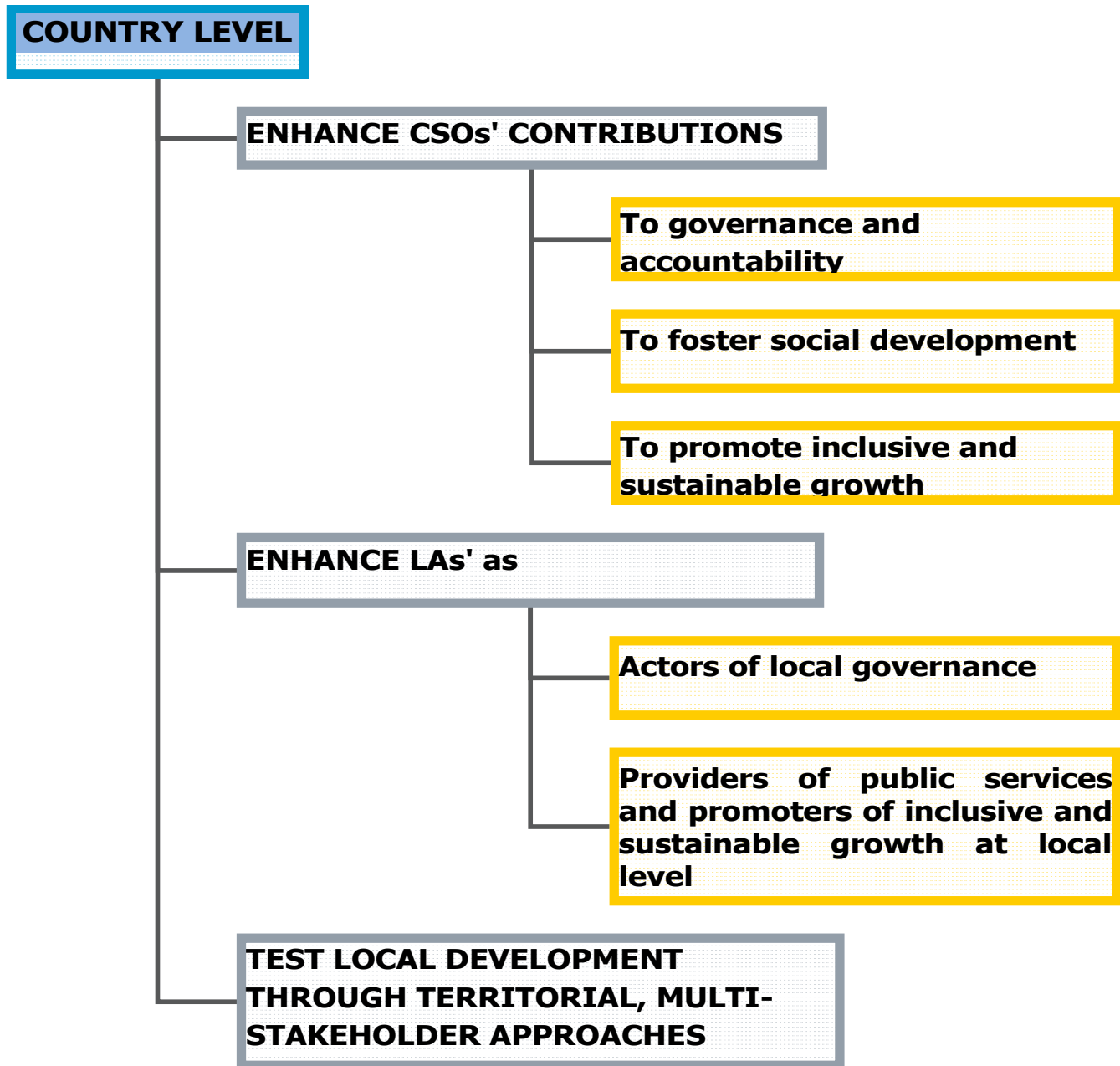
Essential features (i)

- Comprehensive multi-actor and multi-level approach to CSOs and LAs to build synergies and innovative partnerships
- Fostering equitable partnerships EU / non EU
- Coordination to avoid fragmentation, duplication and parallel structures, particularly when it comes to delivering social services to population
- Maintains its "independent" nature
- incorporate lessons learnt from the implementation of the NSA LA and from PED and local consultations



Essential features (ii)

- Supports actions aimed at enabling CSOs and LAs to respond to populations needs and to participate in inclusive policy-making at all levels
- Will support actions initiated and directly implemented by CSOs and LAs and by other actors aimed at strengthening CSOs and LAs
- Focus on CSOs and LAs capacity development and on community mobilization
- Consider all possible support modalities
- Knowledge generation deemed essential





Actions at Country level

- testing innovations and improving responsiveness of policies to populations' needs, through advocacy and participation to policy dialogue in the various sectors.
- contributing to the improvement of service quality stimulating informed demand and accountability initiatives, including using ICT
- improving capacities to participate in multi-actor partnerships
- Reinforcing service provision where there are limited capacity or resources to effectively deliver services
- Networking (and structuring of), peer to peer exchanges, KG&D



June 2013: Joint DEVCO/EEAS Programming Note for CSO/LA

- EUDs asked to prepare **Concept Notes** for CSO/LA Thematic Programme
- Concept Notes to constitute **first step** in development of Roadmaps for CSOs, notably:
 - **Analysis**
 - **Vision → Priorities**





Template of the concept note

1. Country situation for CSOs and LAs:
 - Enabling environment
 - Participation and roles in domestic policies
 - Capacity and structuration
 - Lessons learnt from past support
2. Policy priorities
 - Vision: Contextualisation of the priorities of the CSOs and LAs Communications
 - TP CSO LA: how can it support the implementation of the priorities set above (selection of specific obj. among the 6 proposed)
 - Indicative implementation modalities
3. Complementarity among instruments
4. Indicative allocation request 2014 -2017
5. Consultation process (Dialogue EUD and CSO/LA, MS, and local CN con.)





EUDs response

- Strong interest: more than 120 EUDs submitted CNs
- Considerable budgetary demand, beyond the current NSA LA
- Process still ongoing for ‘latecomers’ to align to bilateral programming





PRELIMINARY STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS

Analysis of EE captures the complexity and diversity of country-contexts

EU policies on CSOs and LAs:

Marking a paradigm shift

Clear link between policies and programming

CN elaboration seen as tools to build a more strategic vision at CL

Opportunity to build improved complementarity with bilateral and among thematic programmes

Dialogue with local actors improved in quality and regularity





PRELIMINARY OPERATIONAL REMARKS

All 6 specific objectives are relevant

Emphasis on both CSOs and LAs in the accountability and governance agenda

Piloting Territorial Approach to Development successfully perceived

Interest in supporting umbrella organisations (for both CSOs and LAs)

Diversification of aid modalities to support CSOs and LAs

“Support measure” re-thought to accompany the implementation of the TP





NEXT STEPS

Fine-tuning and finalisation of the CSO LA Strategy 2014 2020 to take into account the outcomes of DCI negotiations, PDF members' comments and EUDs contributions (for CL)

Adoption of the Strategy (Multiannual Indicative Programme) to start as soon as DCI negotiations are over and the regulation adopted

Annual Action Programme for 2014 to start consequently





THANK YOU!

