

Minutes of the ATI Consultative Group

2 Meeting

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Participants

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Agenda

1. Welcome & background
2. Brief presentation of previous activities by CG2
3. Discussion about future of ATI CG2
4. Closing remarks

Objectives

The meeting discussed the way forward for CG2 in the light of the new Seville Declaration on DRM. Specifically, the following three questions shall be answered:

- Shall the group continue (i.e. regular meetings, elaborating a work plan, implementing own activities)?
- If yes, what does the group need to better deliver value?
- If no, what could be alternative ways of promoting action 2 (e.g. streamlining its topic into other Consultative Groups)?

1. Welcome & background

Markus Paffhausen (ATI Secretariat) welcomed all attendees and provided the background to this meeting. As the other ATI Consultative Groups, CG2 met regularly, developed a workplan and implemented activities to promote Commitment 2. Compared to the other three groups, however, the number of activities as well as the overall engagement by members was significantly lower. This is in part due to the nature of Commitment 2, which primarily focusses on the financial support to DRM activities by development partners – a sphere of decision-making which is difficult to influence through activities undertaken by the group.

With the adoption of the [Seville Declaration on DRM](#), the way of working is currently being reviewed to best deliver value for all members towards the four new Actions. Discussions emerged within the ATI membership about of the group's effectiveness, especially against the

backdrop of reduced funds and an associated need to enhance the efficient use of resources by both members and the Secretariat.

2. Brief presentation of previous activities by CG2

Markus Paffhausen briefly presented the products developed by ATI CG2 since 2019, which can be found in the presentation.

3. Discussion about the future of ATI CG2

Markus Paffhausen invited members to answer the three guiding questions presented at the beginning of the meeting. Peter Ringstad (NORAD) supported the scaling back of the group's activities and instead suggested a lighter format. Specifically, he suggested to have a biannual newsletter in which development partners can include any news to share if desired. Further, the Secretariat could regularly share an updated contact list of focal points in the different development partner organisations to facilitate outreach and coordination.

This suggestion was supported by Jonas Nyrop Henriques (Danida). He further inquired about the monitoring procedure of DRM support by development partners. Markus Paffhausen responded that a new monitoring framework is currently being developed, but that the monitoring for Action 2 will remain the same as in previous years. Jonas Nyrop Henriques also signalled interest to discuss the specificities of reporting DRM support through projects covering an array of topics with other development partners. Markus Paffhausen stated that other development partners have already approached the Secretariat individually about this topic and emphasised that the ATI Secretariat would be happy to facilitate such a focussed, ad-hoc discussion amongst development partners. Another topical engagement for which the group could convene in future would be a presentation of DRM strategies to ensure more alignment and coordination, an idea which Jonas Nyrop Henriques supported.

Tabea Lakemann (BMZ) agreed to scale back the group as the former format did not serve the purpose of advancing Action 2 effectively. Instead, she suggested to engage the leaders of the respective development partner organisations to raise the profile of the topic of DRM and asked the remaining participants if they have plans for this or see potential in this approach. Peter Ringstad stated that Norway's Minister of International Development was prominently engaged during FFD4 in Seville, and that the topic has thus already a very high profile. Jonas Nyrop Henriques supported the suggestion but was unclear regarding the concrete steps. He inquired about the follow-up events of FFD4 and whether it could make sense to engage in these fora. Tabea Lakemann agreed that this would be a good opportunity. Peter Ringstad highlighted that each year following the FFD4 conference in Seville will have a specific focus, and that DRM will be the focus of 2027. Thus, an engagement would probably make most sense there.

Finally, Jonas Nyrop Henriques asked about the status of member countries formally endorsing the Seville Declaration to which Tais Chartouni Rodrigues (ATI Secretariat) responded that some partner countries delivered official letters but that more letters will be expected by mid-November. Stefanie Rauscher (ATI Secretariat) announced that a communications campaign

around the new declaration is prepared, but that a critical mass of supporting members is needed before the campaign can commence.

Markus Paffhausen summarised the meeting outcomes as follows:

- ATI CG2 will be significantly scaled back. No more regular meetings shall take place, and no own activities shall be developed by the group.
- The Secretariat will facilitate ad-hoc meetings amongst development partner to discuss specific questions in case approached by development partners.
- The Secretariat will consider a biannual newsletter between development partners as well as sharing an updated contact list of focal points (after obtaining consent to share contact details accordingly).

Markus Paffhausen thanked all participants and ended the meeting.