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## **Multistakeholder Round Table 3: Revitalizing International Development Cooperation**

**1st July 2025: 3:00 PM – 6:00 PM**  
**Fibes 1, Sevilla, Spain**

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### **Background**

International development cooperation represents a critical source of financing and support for sustainable development in many developing countries. However, rapidly rising demands coupled with recent shifts and reductions in ODA are putting scarce resources under increasing stress. Growing fragmentation is also increasing transaction costs and runs counter to long-standing effectiveness principles. There is an urgent need for the entire development cooperation ecosystem to work better as a system with a focus on poverty eradication and on catalysing other sources of finance, both public and private, for long-term sustainable development outcomes in developing countries.

The Sevilla outcome document outlines actions aimed at enhancing the quantity and quality of all forms of development cooperation, including Official Development Assistance (ODA), South-South cooperation (SSC) and triangular cooperation, lending from Multilateral Development Banks (MDB), as well as climate finance. It lays out specific actions that all actors will take to enhance effectiveness and impact of development cooperation, as well as a vision for a revitalized international development cooperation architecture both nationally – based on country leadership, and globally – making the most of the central role of the United Nations in strengthening dialogue, knowledge sharing, coherence and accountability among all relevant actors.

### **Guiding Questions**

- What development cooperation actions and commitments in the Sevilla outcome are of highest priority from your perspective, and how will you advance their implementation?
- What needs to change in the design and delivery of development cooperation policies and projects to more effectively respond to the needs and priorities of developing countries, and contribute to long-lasting impact?
- What kind of dialogue and accountability mechanisms are needed at the global level to advance the actions and commitments on development cooperation in the outcome document? How best should we foster such dialogue?