

EIP Learning Event

Learning through inter-connected systems

From engaging individuals as peers to engaging institutions and systems – how to make the sum greater than its constituent parts

Date: 11 February 2021

Time: 13.00 -15.00 (CET)

Place: Zoom meeting

Resources: Please refer to the learning note for this session, circulated with the agenda.

DRAFT AGENDA (10 February)

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| 13.00-13.05 | Opening and introductions, EIP Secretariat |
| | Facilitator: Mr. Emile Boral-Rolland, Junior Policy Analyst, OECD/EIP Secretariat |
| | Presenter: Ms. Catherine Anderson, Team Lead, OECD/EIP Secretariat |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction to the theme and format of the event• Presentation of the agenda• Background (EIP, it's work on MEL and P2P learning and the learning event series) |
| 13.05-14.00 | Learning through inter-connected systems – issues and prospects in facilitating institutional reform – Session I |
| | Moderator: Mr. Neil Cole, EIP Co-Chair, Executive Secretary of the Collaborative Africa Budget Reform Initiative (CABRI) |
| | <u>Case 1: Network of Associations of Local Authorities of South-East Europe (NALAS) and Ministry of Finance and Economy of Albania – Local government finance legislation in Albania: How networked P2P exchanges can lead to improved institutional laws and policies (10 min), presented by:</u> |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Fran Brahimi, Director, Ministry of Finance and Economy of Albania• Mr. Elton Stafa, Project Manager, NALAS |
| | The case will show how an interconnected system of P2P learning and knowledge sharing enabled the passage of a law on local self-government finance. This will be illustrated through an account of the collaboration between NALAS and the Ministry of Finance and Economy of Albania, and the formal and informal methods (and good practices) used to build an interconnected system of learning. |

Case 2: United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) – City-to-city cooperation between Brazil and Mozambique (10 min), presented by:

- Mr. Paulo Oliveira, International Relations Coordinator, National Front of Mayors of Brazil (FNP)
- Mr. Pedro Laice, Cooperation and International Relations Officer, National Association of Municipalities of Mozambique (ANAMM)

This session will speak to the methods and approaches used by two local government associations (FNP and ANAMM) to enable learning and development of municipal management capacities. This session will also reflect on what has enabled these systems and networks to remain connected after completion of the project.

Discussants (7 mins each):

- Ms. Lauren Sweeney, Government Partnerships International (GPI)
- Ms. Charlotte Örnemark, MEL Consultant EIP

[Open floor for discussion 20 min]

14.00-14.05 Break

14.05-14.35 **Session II**

Moderator: Ms. Karin Metell Cueva, EIP Co-Chair, Head of Capacity Development Unit, Department for Partnerships and Innovation, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)

Case 3: CABRI's Building Public Finance Capabilities (BPFC) programme (20 min), presented by:

- Ms. Joana Bento, Programme Manager, CABRI
- Ms. Awa Touray, Public Finance Management Specialist, CABRI
- Mr. Andrew Lawson, Technical Director, FISCUS

Using the Gambia case as an example, this case study will explore the BPFC's experience of using the Problem Driven Iterative Adaptation (PDIA) approach to build the networks and systems needed to address the problem of high transfers (*virements*) and accumulation of arrears in Gambia's public finance system. As a complement to this case study, FISCUS will present a recent evaluation of the BPFC and the results achieved.

Discussant (7 min):

- Ms. Sara Hoeflich, Learning Director, United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)

14.35- 14.55 **Open discussion**

Moderator: Mr. Neil Cole, EIP Co-Chair, Executive Secretary of the Collaborative Africa Budget Reform Initiative (CABRI)

14.55-15.00 **Wrap-up and closing**

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- Ms. Karin Metell Cueva, EIP Co-Chair, Head of Capacity Development Unit, Department for Partnerships and Innovation, Sida
 - Mr. Neil Cole, EIP Co-Chair, Executive Secretary, CABRI
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