

Notes: GDLN AP- Governing Committee Meeting/ Regional Meeting Planning meeting, November 20, 2014

Video Conference: Thursday November 20 2014

Washington DC 22:30 hrs (Wednesday November 19, 2014), Tokyo, 11:30 hrs; Canberra 12.30 hrs; Colombo, 08:00 hrs; Hanoi 09:30 hrs; Manila 10.30 hrs; New Delhi 08:00 hrs; Seoul 11:30 hrs;

Chair: Ms. Sangeeta Gupta,

Governing Committee members: Mr. Phil Karp ,Mr. Tomoyuki Naito, Mr. Robbie D Macalde , Ms Grace Kim representing Prof. Hai-young Yun.

Others: Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit, Mr. Nishantha Kamaladasa, , Mr. Keerthi Wijesekera, Ms. MinJee Kim

Proceedings: Meeting called to order at 08:00 hrs (India Standard time) Thursday November 20, 2014 by Chair Ms. Sangeeta Gupta.

Agenda

GDLN AP Regional Meeting

Key points discussed:

I. GDLN-AP Regional Meeting

- Ms. Sangeeta Gupta welcomed the members of the Governing committee and Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit for the discussion on the preparation for the next GDLN AP regional meeting in Bangkok, Thailand from 15th to 18th December 2014 and .
- Ms. Sangeeta Gupta invited Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit to share the events that has been taking place for the and if there is any support and help that the governing committee could extend in this regard.
- Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit informed that there are 30 participants that have been already registered for the meeting. Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit also informed that the agenda is developed with the inputs of Mr. Phil Karp , Ms. Maree Tait , Ms. Linh Nguyen and Prof. Hai-young Yun. Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit invited Mr. Phil Karp for suggestions on the agenda.
- Mr. Phil Karp suggested to reflect the new reality of GDLN with the global secretariat now being held by KDI instead of world bank institute so the affiliate could be informed. Mr. Phil Karp also suggested that on the second day after the break in the morning, rather than having the report on the global board meeting to have a presentation on GDLN global which includes report on global board meeting and about the global secretariat , to have an idea about their plans for the upcoming period.
- Mr. Phil Karp also suggested to include a reporting on south south knowledge hub meeting in Korea for the Monday evening slot by moving the presentation of new affiliates to Tuesday morning session.

- Ms. Sangeeta Gupta invited comments from Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit. Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit informed that the revision to the agenda would be made as per Mr. Phil Karp's suggestions and will be emailed among the members.
- Ms. Sangeeta Gupta invited comments / suggestions from Mr. Tomoyuki Naito regarding the agenda of the meeting. Mr. Tomoyuki Naito suggested to have a session on the recent developments in Distance Learning in the perspective of Thailand or Indonesia the first or second day if possible.

Mr. Tomoyuki Naito also suggested to have the presentations of new affiliates Vina Capital and Seameo Innotech to be combined to have one presentation.

Mr. Tomoyuki Naito also requested for clarification on session right before the lunch time on the second day, the agenda item being GDLN AP update with the report from the affiliation strategy team. Mr. Tomoyuki Naito questioned regarding the kind of update that is required for this topic.

- Ms. Sangeeta Gupta invited comments from Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit regarding the request for clarification by Mr. Tomoyuki Naito. Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit informed that the agenda item in question is proposed by Ms. Maree Tait and Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit will check with her later and will update the members.
- Ms. Sangeeta Gupta invited comments from Mr. Robbie D Macalde. Mr. Robbie D Macalde thanked Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit for the initial agenda and informed that the presentation on Seameo to be moved together with the presentations of the new affiliates.
- Ms. Sangeeta Gupta invited comments from Sri Lanka. Mr. Nishantha Kamaladasa informed that he will not be participating in the regional meeting but will join through video conference. Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit informed that with regard to the affiliation strategy team that Ms. Linh Nguyen won't be able to attend the meeting and will be joining through VC.
- Ms. Sangeeta Gupta agreed on Mr. Phil Karp's suggestion on having a session on "South South" agenda. From the Seoul meeting. Ms. Sangeeta Gupta also suggested to have a session on "New Role of GDLN" and future of GDLN and could be a brain storming session. Ms. Sangeeta Gupta also informed that she will not be able to attend the meeting and requested Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit to inform whether all the sessions will be available through video conference or whether it would be only some sessions.
- Dr. Pimrumpai Premssmit informed that the agenda would be revised and distributed to the members and it will include whether the session would be made available through video conference.
- Ms. Sangeeta Gupta requested Mr. Phil Karp or Ms. Darlene Christopher to give an overview of the current trends and new e-learning projects that the World Bank institute is involved in. Mr. Phil Karp informed that Ms Darlene

Christopher will not be available for the meeting but will try to connect her through VC depending on the availability since the session was not planned previously. Ms. Sangeeta Gupta suggested to have a session on community of practice (COP) if possible. Mr. Phil Karp informed that the Global secretariat or Ms. Sachiko Oda could prepare a presentation on that.

- Ms. Sangeeta Gupta invited members for further comments and suggestions.

Mr. Tomoyuki Naito elaborated on his suggestion on recent development in e-learning in the region. Mr. Tomoyuki Naito informed about the recent development of new programs from Indonesia whether they release their own programs actively asking for the participation of other affiliates as an example.

- Ms. Sangeeta Gupta inquired whether Mr. Tomoyuki Naito has an institute in mind to approach to make a presentation on recent development of new programs from Indonesia. Mr. Tomoyuki Naito communicated that University of Indonesia is a possible institute. Mr. Tomoyuki Naito informed that he will approach University of Indonesia to get their views. Mr. Tomoyuki Naito also requested Dr. Pimrumpai Premsmi to inform regarding the video conferencing facility of the sessions so that TDLC will get ready with the timings.
- Mr. Phil Karp suggested that for the final session, though funding is discussed it is not appropriate to mention that as a topic of the agenda instead to amend as “Future directions of GDLN and the next regional meeting”. Mr. Phil Karp informed that he will send his comments as a write up to Dr. Pimrumpai Premsmi.
- Dr. Pimrumpai Premsmi informed that the revised agenda will be send in due course to all the members.
- Mr. Tomoyuki Naito requested clarification on New Market place and how that session would be done. Also Grace Kim requested clarification on the formats of requesting and offering programs and whether KDI is to do that or the GDLN AP secretariat will collect the formats from the affiliates. Mr. Keerthi Wijesekera informed that the formats would be shared with Ms. Grace Kim for circulation from KDI. A deadline to submit the formats back to KDI is suggested as December 1st 2014 by Mr. Tomoyuki Naito. Ms. Grace Kim also suggested that a request for a power point will be sent together with the formats for New market place to each DLC.

II. **New Affiliate:**

Mr. Keerthi Wijesekera requested the consent of the Governing Committee regarding the application of University of Mauritius for affiliation which has been approved by the membership committee. Mr. Nishantha Kamaladasa also informed that if the consent is given by the governing committee a letter of invitation to the regional meeting also should be sent. Mr. Phil Karp requested some back ground information for why University of Mauritius has requested membership from GDLN AP being in the African region.

Mr. Nishantha Kamaladasa informed that the application was discussed in Seoul , Korea and also they participated in the World Bank Knowledge Hub Conference as one of the members of the meeting. At that event Ms. Maree Tait, Mr. Nishantha Kamaladasa and the representatives of University of Mauritius has discussed about the affiliation where representatives of University of Mauritius has informed their willingness to join an association that speaks English. Mr. Nishantha Kamaladasa also informed that since he knew the background details the membership committee had approved the application but he also iterated that it's open for discussion.

Mr. Phil Karp thanked Mr. Nishantha Kamaladasa for the background information. Ms. Sangeeta Gupta informed that it was GDLN AP who convinced University of Mauritius to join the network. Mr. Tomoyuki Naito suggested to inform AADLC regarding the application and the joining of University of Mauritius to GDLN AP network. Ms. Grace Kim communicated that the application was sent to AADLC by the Global Secretariat first but after Ms. Marre Tait informed regarding the discussions happened in Seoul Korea, Ms. Grace Kim has contacted AADLC to update regarding the application which was resent to GDLN AP, but no reply has been received from AADLC.

The Governing Committee has given their approval on the application of University of Mauritius and the GDLN AP secretariat will send the letter of approval.

Mr. Nishantha Kamaladasa also informed regarding the application received from Centre for Innovations in Public Systems (CIPS) –India which is located inside the Administrative College of India which is already a member. Mr. Nishantha Kamaladasa communicated that the membership committee has tried but was unable to contact Mr. Jagdish who is the contact person of Administrative College of India to get a clarification on the new application. Mr. Nishantha Kamaladasa requested the advice of the Governing Committee to proceed with the application. Ms. Sangeetha Gupta communicated that she could talk to Mr. Jagdish and request to respond to the emails of the membership committee. Mr. Sangeetha Gupta also suggested to request for explanation from Centre for Innovations in Public Systems (CIPS) –India for the reason of applying for membership when already a GDLN affiliate is present at the same location. Mr. Nishantha Kamaladasa informed that the membership committee would look in to that option as well and write to the applicant from explanation.

Ms. Sangeeta Gupta thanked the governing committee members who have participated and Dr. Pimrumpai Premsmit Ms. Sangeeta Gupta also thanked TDLC for the new technologies used for connectivity and requested to share the details offline or in another meeting..

Meeting adjourned at 09:30 hrs IST Thursday November 20 2014

Next meeting: Third week of December