



PROGRAM

e+i Face-to-Face Meeting – www.ei-f2f2015.org

27-30 April 2015, Hotel Freienhof, Thun

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Day 1 – April 27, 2015: Opening, introduction to the topic and exchange on own experiences

8:30	Arrival of participants, registration & coffee
09:00	Opening by Sybille Suter, Head Latin America & Caribbean Division, SDC
09:20	Objectives and program; introduction of participants
9:40	Introduction to the topic “effective partnerships with the private sector” by Peter Beez, e+i focal point, SDC
10:00	Key note: Development cooperation and the private sector Rita Stupf, Senior Advisor und Deputy Director at cinfo
10:30	Key note: Private sector perspective on development Patrick Struebi, Social Entrepreneur, Ashoka Fellow and founder of Fairtrasa
11:00	Coffee Break
11:30	Panel: Key elements of partnerships with the private sector (Sybille Suter, Peter Beez, Rita Stupf, Patrick Struebi)
12:20	Wrap-up of the morning & introduction to the afternoon program
12:30	Lunch
14:15	Market stalls Learning from ongoing programs and experiences from participants: how, when and where to partner with the private sector. <i>Market Stalls Round 1: 14:30 – 15:30</i>
15:30	Coffee break
15:50	<i>Introduction & Market Stalls Round 2: 16:00 – 17:00</i>
17:00	Wrap up of day 1 Remarks, findings, lessons, open questions for the white board
17:15- 17:30	Closing of day 1

Day 2 – April 28, 2015: Field Visits (SDC only)

Morning: PSD/FSD Group Visit to Chocolats Halba, Wallisellen (www.chocolatshalba.ch)

7:45	Meeting outside Hotel Freienhof for all participants of PSD/FSD group and bus transfer to Chocolats Halba, Wallisellen
10:15	Welcome by Chocolats Halba, Short insight into marketing of products from Honduras
10:30-11:30	Visit of the chocolate factory
11:30-12:30	Presentations on Chocolats Halba's engagement in the cocoa sector in Honduras and Ecuador as well as the collaboration between the company and SDC in Honduras Q&A, Discussion on Opportunities, challenges, possibilities for improvements in collaborations between SDC and the private sector on the example of Chocolats Halba
12:30-13:00	Chocolate degustation on the topic of „different cocoa origins – different tastes“
13:10-14:15	Bus transfer from Chocolats Halba to Lucerne, SHL, with lunch bag
14:15	Arrival in Lucerne

Morning: VSD Group Visit to gad Foundation, Berne (www.gad.ch)

8:30	Meeting outside Hotel Freienhof for all participants of VSD group and bus transfer to Restaurant & Söhne, Berne
9:40	Introduction: Overview of the day and the two visits, objectives of the field visit, open questions
10:00	Presentation by Fondation gad Stiftung; Q&A Presentation by Gesundheits- und Fürsorgedirektion des Kantons Bern; Q&A
11:40	Guided Tour: Restaurant & Söhne
12:10	Wrap-up
12:45	Bus transfer from Berne to Lucerne, SHL, with lunch bag
14:15	Arrival in Lucerne

Afternoon: Both groups Visit to Swiss Hotel Management Academy Lucerne (SHL), in Lucerne (www.shl.ch)

14:30	Presentation by Swiss Hotel Management Academy Lucerne Presentation of the Project Myanmar Q&A
16:00	Exchange of experiences and lessons learnt PSD/FSD and VSD groups
16:30	School visit
16:45	Apero
18:00	Return to Thun , Hotel Freienhof in Bus 1 (arrival in Thun by 20:00) <i>OR</i> Free time in Lucerne for participants who choose to take Bus 2
20:00	Return to Thun , Hotel Freienhof in Bus 2 (arrival in Thun by 22:00)

Day 3 – April 29, 2015: Learning and Capacity Building

PSD/FSD Group: Improving the productivity of smallholder farmers through private sector collaboration

8:00	Arrival, registration and coffee for participants who join for the day
8:30	Welcome
8:45	Presentation of best practices and projects improving the productivity of small holding farmers
9:20	Panel discussions with leading practitioners and companies
10:40	Break
11:00	Presentations of topics for working tables (JAIN Micro Irrigation Systems, Juhudi Kilimo and responsAbility, One Acre Fund, AgDevCo and Empresa de Comercialização Agrícola Lda, The C&A Foundation and Cotton Connect, Khyati Foods, Biolands Group and Barry Callebaut, Fairtrasa)
11:20	1st round of working tables
12:45	Lunch
13:45	2nd round of working tables
15:15	Break
15:45	Wrap-up and closing
16:30	Speech by Manuel Sager, Director General, SDC
17:00	Closing
SDC and speakers only: departure for social event at Niesen, 17:45-23:00	



VSD Group:

8:00	Arrival, registration and coffee for participants who join for the day
8:30	Welcome
8:40	SDC's VSD Projects: Present Portfolio, future trends & Parliament Message; Inputs by Simon Junker & Andrea Inglin (SDC); Donor Committee for dual VET; Input by Sibylle Schmutz (DC dVET); Discussion, Q&A
10:00	Break
10:30	The Private Sector in VSD: Inputs by Markus Maurer (theory) and Katharina Walker (insights from SDC's e-discussion) followed by workshops on different roles of the Private Sector as: "VSD center client", "Provider of Learning at Work" and "Partner in VSD System Design and Management"
12:30	Lunch
13:30	Continuation of workshops, reporting back and clarifications
14:10	Introduction to the "Fishbowl" discussions and opening statements
15:00	Break
15:20	"Fishbowl" Discussions (parallel) on "VSD between poverty alleviation and economic development", "VSD and Migration" "Market System Development approaches in VSD projects"
16:30	Speech by Manuel Sager, Director General, SDC
17:00	Closing
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Day 4 – April 30, 2015 Exchange and the way forward (SDC only)

8:45	Arrival
9:00	Review on day 3
9:20	Opening , program of the day
9:30	Presentation of e+i network program / result chain
9:45	Decide on topics and build working groups and/or open space for new ideas
10:00	Round 1. Working groups on pending topics (4-6 working groups)
11:00	Coffee break
11:30	Round 2. Working groups on pending topics (4-6 working groups)
12:30	Lunch
14:00	The way forward: Review of the collaboration agreements; Invite other members to the working groups
14:30	Final review of work plan
14:50	Evaluation of the event
15:10	Impressions from the participants: final short statements
15:30	Official closing
15:45	Farewell drink