



Global Donor Platform
for Rural Development

Governance and Management



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Next steps: final review by SC and approval during Annual Meeting 2007

Key issues



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- Membership
- Steering Committee, Chairs
- Secretariat

Membership



Membership in the Platform is voluntary. All donor countries, development agencies, **foundations** and international finance institutions can become a member after approval by the Steering Committee of the Platform

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Change: i) membership incl. foundations

ii) In the case of bilateral organizations, only one organization per country can become a member

iii) Members and associates

For discussion



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- What about Farmer associations, partner governments (e.g. AU), think tanks and research organisations (IFPRI)
- Emerging Donors (e.g. China, India)
- What are the rights and privileges of members and associates?

Steering Committee



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The Steering Committee (SC) is the central decision making body of the Platform and consists of the Focal Points of six Platform members. The membership in the SC will rotate among members, with the SC membership for each individual/or entity **limited to a three-year period. Two SC members will be replaced every other year.**

Change: time limitation and rotation system.

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- Who will go out and come in this year (2007)?

SC and Chairs



The SC has a chair and a co-chair. They will be elected by all members and will each serve a two-year term. After one year, the co-chair will take over and a new co-chair will be elected.

The SC will conduct Videoconferences on a regular basis and hold at least one business meeting per year (ideally combined with the annual general meeting).

Change: rotation system of Chairs and election by all members (instead of SC)

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- Co-chairs: International vs. Bilateral, North America vs. Europe.
- Who are the next chairs?
- What about having one FP as chair and one „star“ chair (Kofi Anan, Tony Blair etc., ex-CEOs)?

Secretariat



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- Service and advisory function
- Capacity and diversity
- Management and supervision
- Office and location (Bonn, Frankfurt, Berlin, Bruxelles)