

Africa Regional Seminar on Participatory Budgeting

Strengthening Budget Performance, Participation and Independent Oversight

A Joint Undertaking of the MDP-ESA, World Bank,
UNHABITAT, New York University, Swiss
Development Cooperation, and City of Durban
in cooperation with

The Africa Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF),
ANSA-Africa and CommGAP

10 – 14, March 2008

George Matovu

The Seminar Objectives

- To enhance knowledge and promote exchange of experiences among key national policy makers in Africa on how to strengthen the enabling environment for participatory budgeting in local governance
- To give the participants the opportunity to deepen their knowledge and share innovations on how to operationalise participatory budgeting in African countries
- To catalyse and facilitate peer-to-peer learning among African Participatory Budgeting champions and practitioners.

Approach

- One-day high level conference (March 10, 2008)
- Three-days workshop (March 11-13, 2008)
- One-day field visits (March 14, 2008)
- Launching of the Africa-Latin America Mutual (Peer-to-Peer) Learning Initiative on Participatory Budgeting

Who are Here?

- Policy makers
- Policy advisors
- Local government officials
- CSO and NGO representatives
- Researchers and academics
- Development partners

Policy Seminar on Budget Transparency, Voice and Independent Oversight March 10, 2008 A.M

- Overview of Key Factors Underlying Policy Reforms in Africa to Strengthen Budget Transparency, Voice and Participation and Independent Oversight.

Speaker: Honourable Eneas Comiche, Mayor of Maputo & Vice President of UCLGA

Policy Seminar Cont'd
March 10, 2008 P.M
Panel Discussion on Future of PB

Panelists:

- Honourable Protais Musoni (Rwanda)
- Mayor Eneas Comiche (Mozambique)
- Mayor Celestine Keutch Courtes (Cameroon)
- Madam Ziria Ndifuna (Uganda)
- Madam Dorothy Adebajo (Zimbabwe)

Chairperson: George Matovu (MDP-ESA)

Reception
Monday 10 March 2008
18:00 – 20:00

At Ushaka Marine World
Hosted by His Worship Obed Mlaba
Mayor of Durban
All welcome

Day 2, March 11, 2008
Workshop 8:30-10:00 A.M

- Operational Principles of Budget Transparency and Demystification
Speaker: Ms. Tandiwe Mlobane
Facilitator: Ms. Ziria Ndifuna

March 11, 2008
Workshop: Case Studies

10:30 – 12:00: African Case Studies

- Ms. Courtney Babcock and Shital Shah (New York University)
- Mr. Dalisto Kubalasa (Malawi Economic Justice Network)

13:00 – 15:00: International Case Studies

- Mrs. Nilza Oliveira (Brazil)
- Ms. Tatyana Gianpoalo Baiocchi (Cotacachi)

March 11, 2008

15:30 – 17:30

Session 4: Fostering Mutual Learning on Participatory
Budgeting

*Launching the Africa-Latin America Peer to Peer
Mutual Learning Initiative*

- *Activity I:* Sharing the experience on mutual learning and networking in Latin America and Africa
- *Activity II:* Participants introduce themselves, explain their link to PB, and explain how they envision benefiting from the Mutual Learning Initiative

Day 3, March 12, 2008
Workshop 8:30-10:00 A.M

- Operational Principles of Citizens' Voice in Revenue and Expenditure Planning

*Speaker: Professor Mohamed Halfani
(UNHABITAT)*

*Facilitator: Dr. Takawira Mumvuma (MDP-
ESA)*

March 12, 2008

Workshop: Case Studies

10:30 – 12:00: African Case Studies

- Ms. Mary Rusimbi, Gender Development Specialist (Tanzania)
- Mr. Krish Kumar, City Treasurer (South Africa)

13:00 – 15:00: International Case Studies

- Mr. Mariano Curicama, Governor of Chimborazo (Brazil)
- Mr. Galo Ramon, Executive Director, Comunidec (Brazil)
- Professor Giovanni Allegretti, Centre for Social Studies, Coimbra University (Portugal)

March 12, 2008

15:30 – 17:30

Session 4: Fostering Mutual Learning on Participatory Budgeting

- Participants will be divided into small groups to begin preparing preliminary proposals for mutual learning on the different thematic areas of participatory budgeting

Day 4, March 13, 2008
Workshop 8:30-10:00 A.M

- Operational Principles of Independent Oversight in Budget Execution

*Speaker: Honourable Kwamena Ahwoi
(Ghana)*

*Facilitator: Mr. Kinuthia Wamwangi (MDP-
ESA)*

March 13, 2008

Workshop: Case Studies

10:30 – 12:00: African Case Studies

- Mr. Zerubabel Ojoo (Uganda)
- Ms. Christine Melly (Switzerland)

13:00 – 15:00: International Case Studies

- Mr. Julio Pires, (Belo Horizonte, Brazil)
- Mr. Ihsan Haerudin, National Democratic Institute (Brazil)

March 13, 2008

15:30 – 17:30

**Session 4: Fostering Mutual Learning on Participatory
Budgeting**

- Participants will finalize and submit their preliminary proposals for mutual learning to MDP-ESA

Closing
March 13, 2008
16:30 – 17:30

- Participants
- George Matovu (MDP-ESA)
- Andre Herzog (World Bank)

March 14, 2008

- 8:00 – 16:00 Field Visits
- 16:00 Free Time Until So Long

**Thank you
Ngiyabonga.**

Enjoy your stay