

CONSULTATION PLAN: DEVELOPMENT POLICY FINANCING RETROSPECTIVE 2015

About the Retrospective

The 2015 Development Policy Financing Retrospective is an exercise that reviews all development policy financing operations approved during a three year period to identify lessons learned. The objective of the 2015 Development Policy Financing Retrospective is to take stock of, and distill lessons from, the Bank's experience using development policy financing in the last three years. The Retrospective will also present long-term trends of development policy financing, covering the first 10 years of the instrument. The 2015 Retrospective will look closely at the environmental and social aspects of Development Policy Financing.

Timeframe. The proposed timeframe for the Retrospective is as follows:

- December 2014: Bank-wide concept note review
- December 2014 –February 2015: Notification/Online comment period
- December 2014 – April 2015: Preparation of draft report
- May-July 2015: Face-to-Face consultations with stakeholders
- June 2015: OVP review of draft report
- September 2015: CODE meeting
- November 2015: Presentation to Board

Consultations

Stakeholder consultations will take place during the preparation of the Retrospective. The team has designed a dedicated website for the Retrospective to keep interested stakeholders informed and to solicit and receive feedback as the preparation of the Retrospective advances. In addition, there will be face-to-face events at key stages to provide opportunities to directly engage with stakeholders on the scope of the Retrospective.

Objectives: The objectives of the consultations is to elicit feedback from a wide variety of experts in as broad and inclusive manner as possible to provide input on (1) the objectives and direction of the Concept Note; and (2) key issues to be addressed in the World Bank's experience with the use of DPFs in the last three years along with trends in the last ten years.

Stakeholders/Experts: The stakeholders to be consulted include client governments, civil society organizations, shareholders, private sector actors and business associations, subject area experts (environmental, social, and governance), academics, bilateral and multilateral development organizations, and other interested development groups.

Notification/Online Comment Period (December 2014- February2015): A notification period will take place to inform stakeholders about the process behind the Retrospective and forthcoming consultations. During this period, the Concept Note will be publicly posted and stakeholders will be invited to provide their comments on a dedicated consultation website over a period of thirty working days. The comments received on the concept note will inform the team as it conducts the analysis and develops preliminary findings.

Face-to-Face Consultations (May–July 2015): A broad group of stakeholders will be invited to provide their comments on the preliminary findings of the Retrospective. This will be followed by consultations in countries, which may also include video-conference sessions.

Online/Website: A dedicated consultation webpage will provide a platform for stakeholders to provide input to the Retrospective. The webpage will include information related to the consultation process, timeline, relevant background information, and other related resources as the consultation process progresses. Arrangements will be made to translate materials into other languages.

A summary of the feedback received on the preliminary findings will be made public. This feedback will inform the Retrospective.