

**Expert Working Group on the benefits of establishing a future EU
Platform on External Cooperation and Development
25 January 2012**

From 09.00 until 17.00

At the Centre Albert Borschette (36, rue Froissart-1049 Bruxelles) - Salle AB 1D

9-9.15 Registration

(Session with GoE only)

1. Welcoming remarks by Co-Chairs Mr G. Thomas, Director DG ECFIN, and Mr K. Rudischhauser, Director DG DEVCO
2. Adoption of
 - a. Agenda
 - b. Minutes of the second Expert Working Group Meeting
3. Continued discussion on the Objectives of the future EU Platform

10.45-11.00 Coffee Break

(Session with GoE + Invited stakeholders)

4. Consultation with invited stakeholders, including discussion of written contributions.
 - 4.1 Potential for enhancement of mutual reliance initiatives and existing MoUs and framework agreements;
 - 4.2 Mapping of coherence between financial institutions activities and EU policy objectives on a sectoral/regional basis, for example in the area of climate change;

13.00-14.30 Lunch Break

(Session with GoE + Invited stakeholders)

5. Further consultation with invited stakeholders

- 5.1 Fostering synergies between EC and financing institutions - lessons to be learnt from implementation of existing instruments.
- 5.2 Value added of a future Platform: key objectives and involvement of bilateral/multilateral financial institutions.
- 5.3 Potential for a future EU Platform to concretely enhance the design, implementation, evaluation, harmonisation and coordination of different types of instruments in the context of EU external policy priorities.

16.00-16.15 Coffee Break

(Final Session with GoE only)

6. A.O.B
7. Conclusion by the Chair

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