

UNICEF Strategic Plan Financing Consultation

UNICEF House, Danny Kaye – 1:45pm – 5:00pm on June 17, 2016

Agenda

	Time
Opening – Justin Forsyth	
Introductory remarks, providing the context in terms of the consultation's intended outcomes and links to UNICEF being fit for results within the SDGs era, especially given the changing aid environment.	1:45pm – 1:50pm
Session 1: Implementing Agenda 2030 – Jeff O'Malley	
Examination of UNICEF's implementation of the SDGs, in partnership and based on comparative advantages. How does the Strategic Plan map onto the SDGs? How does this impact on the MTR of the current Strategic Plan and the development of the Strategic Plan 2018 – 2021, including required funding resources?	1:50pm – 2:00pm
Session 2: Flexible and predictable funding – Olav Kjørven & Gerard Bocquenet	
Flexible, predictable resources are critical to UNICEF's ability to deliver on its mandate and respond to the universality of Agenda 2030. With this in mind, it is also important to develop and diversify UNICEF's resource mobilization base, through strengthening long-standing partnerships, as well as exploring further engagement with new partners, using innovation as a driver for this work.	2:00pm – 2:10pm
Q & A for Sessions 1 & 2	2:10pm – 2:40pm
Session 3: Brainstorm Plenary: Enablers and limitations of flexible funding – Dominique Hyde	
There has been a downward pressure on flexible resources (RR, thematic and other multi-year/sector/country/agency) for the last several years. This session will focus on the enablers and limitations to providing flexible funding, and to shape funding so that it supports maximum impact for children, with enhanced visibility for our joint results. Specifically, we will look at: (i) the enablers and bottlenecks of UNICEF's modus operandi to facilitate flexible resource contributions; and (ii) the internal enablers and limitations for resource partners to provide flexible funding (e.g. financing structures; win – win considerations).	2:40pm – 3:10pm
Tea & coffee break	3:10pm – 3:25pm
Session 3 (cont.) – Dominique Hyde	
Continuation of the discussion around enablers for providing flexible funding and ways to address limitations.	3:25pm – 3:55pm
Session 4: Looking forward – Olav Kjørven & Gerard Bocquenet	
The UN system is facing a changing fundraising environment. UNICEF needs to be agile and innovative in the face of the current trend of tightening flexible resources, and more proactive in expanding its base with traditional, emerging and potential resource partners. This session will explore how a focus on SDG-based results can drive a shift away from piecemeal funding towards longer-term and more sustainable funding patterns that are aligned with the Strategic Plan linked to results.	3:55pm – 4:10pm
Open discussion	4:10pm – 4:50pm
Closing - Olav Kjørven	
Final closing remarks based on the discussions and forward thinking on UNICEF's funding strategies within the current aid landscape.	4:50pm – 5:00pm