Group 2

Increasing UN technical support through TSFs and other regional mechanisms
Key Issues from presentations

ICTC
Successes of horizontal cooperation, donor harmonisation
• Need for better harmonisation and alignment at national level for political, financial and technical sustainability of TA support
• Need to increase use of local consultants
• Increase South-South and other horizontal collaboration
• Reduce bureaucratic obstacles to cooperation
• Benefits of strengthening cooperation between TSFs
Key Issues from presentations

Technical Support Facilities

• All 5 TSFs now functional
• Almost 2000 days of technical assistance commissioned
• Around 80% of consultancies by local and regional consultants
• Clients responsive to with country-led approach and quality assured services
• Capacity development of partners and consultants initiated
• Innovative partnership models with civil society, private sector
• Refinement of service coverage and efficiency ongoing
Key Issues from presentations

Knowledge hubs

- TA is a critical part of any implementation
- Need to make long term investment in TA
- Invest in building local expertise
- Prioritise and proactively source TA needs though KHS
- Harmonise TA – avoid parallel structures
Issues arising in Discussion

• Challenges to address capacity development and retention within countries
• Benefits if GIPA and involvement of CSOs as providers not just recipients of TA
• Need to address other gaps in TA availability - technical areas, OVC, regions etc
• Need to harmonise TA systems
• Need to address sustainability of regional mechanisms
Recommendations

Consolidate early successes in innovative regional TA provision mechanisms to realise the long term vision

1. Support ongoing investment in TS system refinement and capacity development
   - Ensure sustainability
2. Improve partner coordination and cooperation with TS to maximise benefits
   - Limit duplication and parallel structures
3. Reinforce country leadership of TA
4. Increase UNAIDS support for facilitating country TA planning
5. Reinforce use of South-South, local/ regional and strategic North-South TA
6. Reinforce capacity development approach in commissioning TA to build country level capacity
7. Use regional TS mechanisms as a way to support implementation and make money work
8. Reinforce cooperation with CSOs in TA provision