UNAIDS TECHNICAL SUPPORT

ZERO NEW HIV INFECTIONS.
ZERO DISCRIMINATION.
ZERO AIDS-RELATED DEATHS.
Overview of Presentation

• Background

• Consultation Process

• Key Recommendations

• Next Steps and Follow Up
Background

- Technical Support Strategy presented as part of the SIE Report at the 27th PCB in Dec 2010

- Development of the strategy was overseen by a working group convened by UNAIDS, with representation from all Cosponsors

- Informed by country surveys, studies, and extensive stakeholder consultations with national, regional and global partners

- Progress report on implementation of TS Strategy presented at the 29th PCB in Dec 2011

- PCB requested a ‘time-limited consultative process to better define UNAIDS TS based on its coordination role, and areas of core competency and strengths’.
UNAIDS Technical Support Strategy

‘most of what UNAIDS does is technical support’

Existing frameworks:

- UNAIDS Strategy & the Political Declaration targets
- UBRAF: strategic direction & budgets
- Performance Monitoring Framework: results and accountability
- Revised Division of Labour the anchor for UNAIDS role in Technical Support
- Country led responses & Joint Teams and Programmes
- Strategic realignment
Objectives of the Consultation

- Better articulate the relationship amongst different technical support frameworks

- Assess emerging Technical Support needs in the changing context (financial crisis, Global Fund financing, scaling up to 2015 targets...)

- Review UNAIDS coordination role and areas of core competency and strengths
The Consultation Process

- Built on extensive consultations undertaken during the development of the TSS
- UNAIDS worked with Geneva based Missions, Civil Society representatives, donors and Cosponsors to develop consultation framework
- Consultations were held in over 35 countries, 7 regions with over 200 stakeholders/institutions between February and May 2012

Consultations were held with:
- Government representatives
- Bilateral donors, Global Fund
- Civil society partners
- Academic and research institutions
- Regional bodies (e.g., PANCAP)
- UN Joint Teams at country and regional level
- Technical support providers

- Consultations extremely helpful and significant value in ongoing periodic regional and country consultations
Some Common Themes

Technical Support is a core function of UNAIDS, but

- Complex – ranges from direct support from UN staff to financial Assistance
- The different roles of Secretariat and Cosponsors needs better communication
- Mechanisms of the UN and others vary in their scope and quality
- There is limited information on how these can be accessed by country partners
Recommendations from the Consultation

- Strengthen the coordination of technical support
- Build capacity
- Support Civil Society
- Focus on Global Fund implementation
Recommendations from the Consultations

Strengthened Coordination of TS

- Facilitate information sharing on technical support availability

- Provide greater clarity on coordination between the various UNAIDS Technical Support Mechanisms and how to access them

Capacity strengthening

- Support countries towards sustainable financing and strategic investment of resources

- Promote mechanisms for sharing and learning across countries and partners (including South to South)
Recommendations from the Consultations

Support to Civil Society

- Prioritize capacity-building of civil society and community based organizations as leaders and providers of technical support.

- UN Joint Teams to help broker partnerships between governments and CSOs to create synergies and systems for accessing public finances for effective service delivery including for hard to reach populations.

Focus on Global Fund

- Reinforce UNAIDS coordination with the Global Fund for scaled up TS in grant implementation.
Next Steps and Way Forward

Increased country access to Technical Support

- Strengthened UNAIDS capacities at the country level

- National gap analysis based on country context and needs in TS and capacity development

- Building on Civil Society expertise as providers of TS

- Coordinating across TS providers to share information on availability of TS and ways to access

- Web based knowledge sharing and management tools (building on rich information from current consultations and existing forums)
Next Steps and Way Forward cont..

Support to Countries on Global Fund

- Support Countries in effective reprogramming for grant renewals
- Continue to strengthen capacities of implementers for risk management, efficient implementation of grants
- Improve coordination around different TS sources (GMS/USG, French cooperation, GIZ, UNAIDS, Alliance Hubs, CSAT etc.)

Building on momentum

- Build on knowledge and intelligence generated through current consultations
- Develop light/virtual global and regional oversight mechanisms for ongoing consultations and accountability

Focus

- Prioritise support around reaching 2015 targets
How has it impacted UNAIDS TS

- Greater emphasis on South to South and collaboration with key partners eg. Prevention scale up with Tanzania, Nigeria, Uganda with India along with AVAHAN/GATES and World Bank

- Better coordination and focusing on core competency: eg. IATT around PMTCT scale up; biweekly coordination calls with TS providers;

- Increased focus on Global Fund TS: eg. TS around risk management eg. Cote d’Ivorie, Kenya; TFM and reprogramming in over 30 countries; Joint working group with GF Secretariat

- Increased Global Fund collaboration through: disease committee, renewals panel, secondment of staff to the GF secretariat, better information