

## South-South and Triangular Cooperation for Achieving the 2030 Agenda. Building Innovative and Inclusive Partnerships.

### OBJECTIVES

Explore the challenges and opportunities faced by South-South and triangular cooperation, 40 years after the Buenos Aires Plan of Action

Identify distinctive elements that may contribute to the implementation of the SDGs, based on experience and best practices

Build the evidence base, in terms of distinctive approaches, contribution to the SDGs and to the overall picture on means of implementation

Advance multi-stakeholder knowledge sharing and mutual learning to get better results

### OUTCOMES

Contextualize the evolution of South-South cooperation and highlight the potential of its actors and partnerships to drive innovation and change in implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, Addis Ababa Action Agenda and Paris Agreement on Climate Change

Generate evidence, ideas and policy recommendations on how to boost the contribution of South-South and triangular cooperation to poverty eradication and sustainable development

Support the strong horizontal linkages in development cooperation and help elaborate specific proposals that Argentina will bring to the Group of 20, when it assumes its role as Chair in 2018

Advance preparations for two key intergovernmental processes: the 2018 High-level Meeting of the Development Cooperation Forum and the Second UN Conference on South-South Cooperation (BAPA+40)

### PARTICIPATION

120 high-level experts from all stakeholder groups and regions  
developing and developed countries local governments parliamentarians international organizations  
civil society private sector multilateral financial institutions think tanks & academia philanthropic organizations

### PROGRAMME

informal and highly interactive panel discussions, plus opening and closing sessions  
luncheons, coffee sessions, and other networking opportunities  
pre-meeting technical workshop and meeting of the DCF Advisory Group

### SCOPE OF DISCUSSION

Holistic perspective on development cooperation, including capacity building, technical know-how, collective action for policy change, and financing

Distinctive approaches to development cooperation by Southern actors, through national and sub-national governments and other actors, such as regional entities, south-led multilateral financial institutions, the private sector and academia, including the potential contribution of philanthropic organizations

Challenges and opportunities for South-South and triangular cooperation in key SDG areas

— Jointly organized by UNDESA and the Government of the Argentine Republic —

### Development Cooperation Forum

The DCF is the global multi-stakeholder forum for action-oriented reviews of trends and progress in international development cooperation. It brings coherence among actors and activities and generates recommendations for policy makers and practitioners at all levels on development cooperation, including its quality, impact and effectiveness.

The work of the DCF has heightened the urgency to put, into daily practice, a transformative focus on sustainable development results, putting the 'furthest behind first' and adapting institutions and policies in support of priorities and systems in developing countries.

The High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development and ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development take the DCF's work into account in their reviews of progress on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Addis Ababa Action Agenda.

### UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs

UNDESA supports efforts to engage the range of development cooperation actors in more evidence-based, balanced and inclusive global debate on international development cooperation.

Activities range from research projects, analytical work and organization of symposiums and events. These include the biennial high-level meeting of the DCF, to take place in New York in July 2018, during the ECOSOC High-level Segment.

### Argentine Republic

Argentina is a major player in the global South, with distinguished and valued contributions to South-South cooperation. It hosted the 1978 UN conference, whose outcome document, the Buenos Aires Plan of Action, recognized cooperation among developing countries as a new dimension of international cooperation.

In 2017, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Argentine Republic will mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its Cooperation Fund for South-South and Triangular Development Cooperation, FO.AR. In 2018, it will Chair the Group of 20. In 2019 it will host the Second United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation (BAPA+40).

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