

GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP ON COUNTRY SYSTEMS

Advancing Aid Effectiveness through the Use of Country Systems

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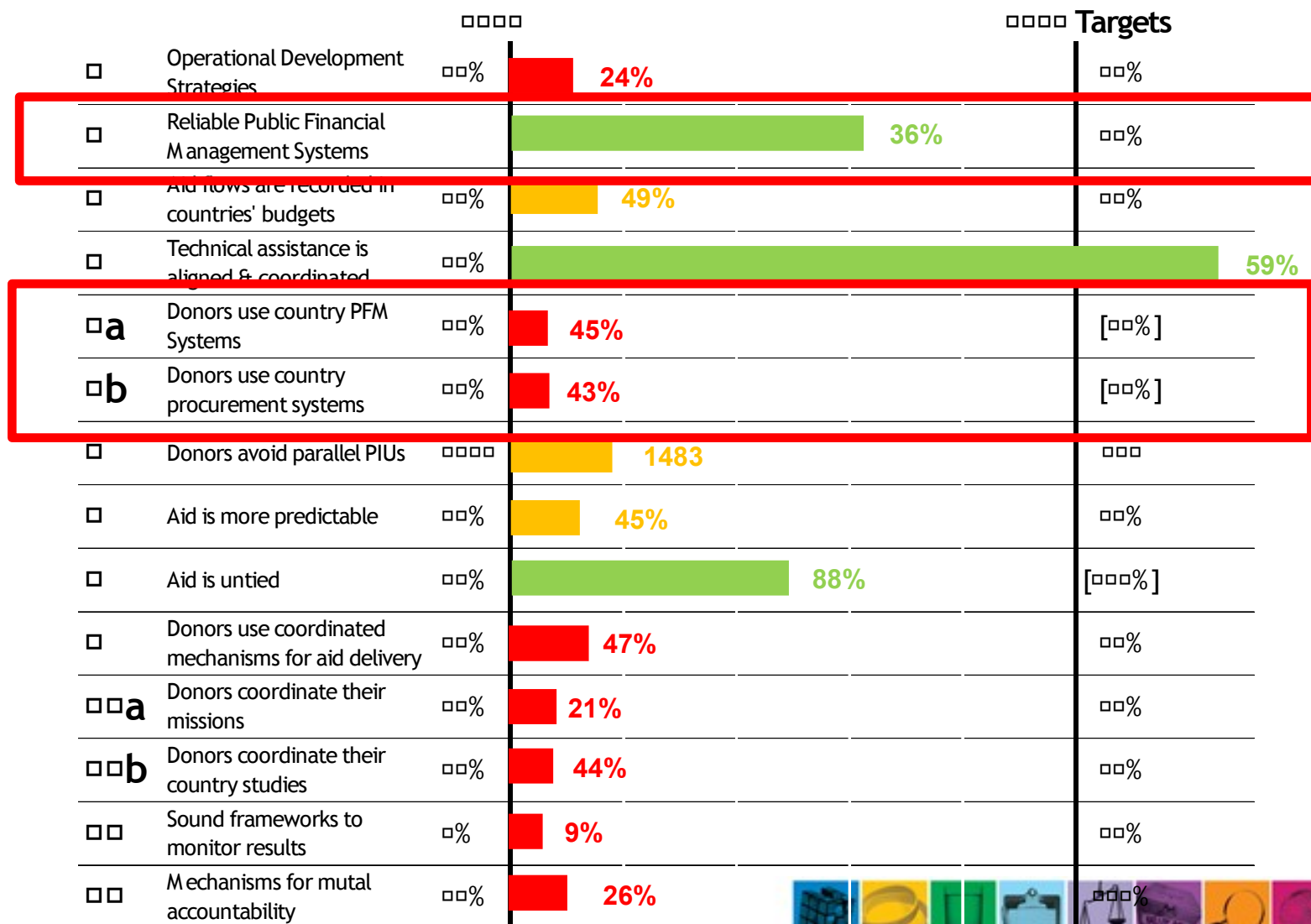


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Outline of Presentation

1. Progress on meeting the Country Systems Commitments in Africa
2. Global Partnership on Country Systems: An Introduction
3. What can Policy Makers do? The Role of the Country Systems Initiative
4. The Role of CABRI

EVIDENCE ON COUNTRY SYSTEMS -- MIXED



ACCRA AGENDA FOR ACTION (2008)

DONORS will:

- Use country systems as the first option in public sector.
- Be transparent when they don't use them.
- Support country-led reform programmes.
- Develop corporate plans for using country systems.
- Channel 50% (or more) of government-to-government aid through country fiduciary systems (i.e. PFM + Procurement)

PARTNERS will lead in defining reform programmes.

PARTNERS & DONORS will jointly assess quality of country



Global Partnership on Country Systems

- Sub-body of the Working Party on Aid Effectiveness
- Created in 2009, following consultation in Accra (Donors, Government representatives (Ministry of Finance, Sector Ministries), Parliamentary representatives, and CSOs)
- Co-Chaired by Ghana and the United States
- Draws on the work of two Task Forces
 - Task Force on PFM (co- chaired by Saulos Nyirenda (Malawi) and Tony Hegarty (World Bank))
 - Task Force on Procurement (co-chaired by Ruby Alvarez (Philippines) and Enzo de Laurentiis (World Bank))

Key Tasks



1. Using Country Systems
2. Assessing the Quality of Country Systems
3. Effective Capacity for Reform
4. More Accountable and Results-Driven Country Systems

Support for Action on Country Systems at the Country Level



**Paris
and
Accra**
Implementation

Background and Objectives to Country Systems Initiatives

- Respond to **Partner Country demand** for political and technical support to move on the country systems opportunities and constraints (Paris Declaration, CABRI)
- Support a partner country-led process to implement the country systems agenda **through existing initiatives**
- **Phase 1:** Highlight the **constraints and opportunities** at the country level on both strengthening and using country systems
- **Phase 2:** Identify **concrete steps** to address those bottlenecks and take advantages of opportunities
- **Phase 3:** Provide a rapid **lessons learning platform across the region** on the countries where there has been a strengthening and increased using of country systems



CABRI's role

- Drawing from analysis of Aid on Budget reports and CABRI recommendations on Using Country Systems
- Shape and facilitate the development of recommendations around key areas (Phase 2 of Country Systems Initiatives)
- Provide a platform for lessons-learning in Africa on the Use of Country Systems

Ongoing Country Systems Initiatives

- Ghana – Phase 2 beginning (J une 2010)
- Malawi – Phase 1 (J une 2010)
- Mali – Country Systems Initiative with Health as an entry point (J une-September 2010)
- Exploring other Country Systems Initiatives following demand (Bangladesh, Nepal, Namibia, Swaziland, South-East Asian countries with support from ADB and CDDE)