Agenda for the 16th meeting of the International TOSSD Task Force
Virtual meeting, Tuesday 5, Wednesday 6 and Thursday 7 April 2022

Tuesday 5 April 2022

12:00  Item 1. Governance and financing of the TOSSD framework

At the last meeting on February 2022, the Task Force agreed to implement a transition toward clarified and more formalised governance arrangements for TOSSD. The Secretariat will provide a draft proposal of the future governance structure, including with proposed text related to the roles and responsibilities of the main bodies of this new structure. Members will be invited to share their views on this proposal.

The terms of reference of the TOSSD Task Force expire at the end of July 2022. In light of the discussions at the last meeting, the Secretariat will suggest a new version of the TORs extending the mandate of the Task Force until the end of December 2022. Members will be invited to agree on a new version of these TORs.

During the February meeting, members also asked for further information on what the TOSSD budget would cover. The Secretariat will provide a short paper to that effect. Members will be invited to review the paper and raise any questions they may have.

- Paper: Draft text on sections of a future “manual of procedures”, including the broad TOSSD governance structure and the roles and responsibilities of its main bodies
- Paper: revised version of the TORs of the Task Force
- Short paper on additional information related to the TOSSD budget
- Presentation

13:55  Break

14:10  Item 2. Reporting issues emerging from the 2021 data collection on 2020 activities

The Secretariat will bring to the attention of the Task Force a number of concrete issues faced during the last TOSSD data reporting cycle and will propose solutions to improve the data collection this year. It will also describe the steps taken to derive the TOSSD recipient perspective based on the raw data received from reporters.

The reporting issues are both of a technical nature (e.g. consistency across TOSSD reporting fields, gaps in TOSSD classifications) and of a more substantive nature (e.g. coverage, comparability, quality and transparency of reporting, application of the TOSSD eligibility criteria for pillar II). The Secretariat has developed tools to support improvements in the data collection (a “check-list” for reporters to use before sharing their data with the Secretariat, an indicative list of organisations that can be reported in TOSSD). It will also propose a number of adjustments to the classifications.

Task Force members will be invited to share their views on these proposals, as well as to reflect on a few questions regarding the operationalisation of the TOSSD-eligibility criteria for pillar II.

- Paper on reporting issues emerging from the 2021 data collection on 2020 activities
- Presentation

15:00  Close of Day 1
Wednesday 6 April 2022

12:00 Item 1 (continued). Governance and financing of the TOSSD framework

During this session, the Task Force will continue its discussions started on 5 April.

13:15 Break

13:30 Item 3. Further development of the TOSSD recipients’ list

At the last TOSSD Task Force meeting in February, Mexico presented a preliminary proposal on further development of the TOSSD recipients’ list based on multi-dimensional criteria. The Secretariat will present a discussion paper based on the proposal by Mexico. Task Force members will be invited to provide their comments on the proposal and decide on next steps.

- Paper: Mexico’s proposal on new recipient eligibility criteria for TOSSD
- Paper: Further development of the TOSSD recipients’ list

15:00 Close of Day 2

Thursday 7 April 2022

12:00 Item 4. Review and validation of a revised version of the TOSSD Reporting Instructions

The Secretariat will propose modifications to the TOSSD Reporting Instructions based on the 2021 data collection process. Task Force members are welcome to intervene in case they have doubts/objections on the proposed changes.

- New version of the Reporting Instructions

13:15 Break

13:30 Item 5. Anonymisation of TOSSD data in specific crises

Paragraph 75 of the TOSSD Reporting Instructions provides for an exception to activity-level reporting on TOSSD “to protect the lives or safety of people receiving the support or implementing the activities (e.g. in the field of human rights or in the context of violent conflicts)”. The Task Force is invited to discuss the extent to which information on channels of delivery and other fields in TOSSD data can present security risks, and in which circumstances this information might be removed from the TOSSD data visualisation tool.

- Presentation

14:00 Item 6. Further guidance on sustainability

The TOSSD Reporting Instructions indicate in section 2.2.1 that “in the context of TOSSD, an activity is deemed to support sustainable development if it directly contributes to at least one of the SDG targets as identified in the official list of SDG targets (...) and if no substantial detrimental effect is anticipated on one or more of the other targets”. The Secretariat will propose additional guidance to further operationalise this definition for TOSSD reporters.

- Paper
- Presentation

14:30 Any other business

14:45 Close of the meeting