

ANNUAL WORK PLAN 2015
TICAD Process Promotion Support Fund (TPPSF)



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Duration

January – December 2015 (12 months)

Requested Budget

\$890,288

Introduction

Since its inception in 1993, the TICAD has achieved significant successes as an open and multilateral forum for African development. The TICAD V, held in June 2013, has widely been considered the most successful TICAD Summit Meeting ever, and has given a critical opportunity to further enhance the TICAD process as a unique, open and multilateral process for African development with strengthened follow-up mechanisms to translate its visions into concrete actions.

As a long-time TICAD co-organizer, UNDP has consistently engaged in the organization of successive TICAD meetings and played major roles in the enhancement of the TICAD process including, but not limited to, (a) making substantive contributions to the formulation and finalization of strategic agendas for TICAD meetings, (b) identifying, formulating and implementing country and regional projects in support of TICAD priorities, (c) supporting the smooth management of the TICAD process among co-organizers and many stakeholders, (c) operational and logistical support to the TICAD process, including communication and advocacy.

The TICAD Special Unit is integrated into the Regional Bureau for Africa (RBA), UNDP HQ, with the objective of synergizing with, and leveraging, the entire UNDP to provide UNDP's comprehensive support to the TICAD process.

2015 Work Plan

Output 1: Strategic Support to the TICAD Process

Building on the success of the TICAD V, as a TICAD co-organizer, UNDP strives to help promote and further enhance the TICAD process through its wide ranging substantive and technical expertise, networks and access to key stakeholders. In particular, UNDP will:

- a) Provide substantive policy advice, as well as technical support to the TICAD process;
- b) Contribute to the effective operationalization and implementation for the TICAD V Action Plan;
- c) Promote and facilitate the identification, formulation and implementation of TICAD V follow up programmes and projects;
- d) Contribute to effective monitoring and oversight of Japan-funded programmes and projects in Africa;
- e) Contribute to enhanced coordination among the TICAD co-organizers.

To ensure continuity of essential functions of the TICAD Unit to support the above, the TICAD Unit maintains the minimum core team of two staff members at D1 and G6 levels respectively.

Output 2: Operational Support to the TICAD Process

Activity 1: Support to the TICAD Process

Against the backdrop of the successful TICAD V Summit Meeting held in Japan in 2013 and the first TICAD V Ministerial Meeting held in Cameroon in 2014, the effective operationalization of the TICAD V recommendations is critical for the success of the TICAD process. There is a wide range of upcoming TICAD meetings, including Ministerial Follow-up meetings, Joint Secretariat's meetings, and Joint Monitoring Committee etc., which are all vital to move the TICAD process forward. In close coordination with Japan and other stakeholders, UNDP will contribute to the effective organization of these meetings through:

- a) Contribute substantively to TICAD meetings;
- b) Make logistical and operational contributions to the organization of TICAD meetings, including the production of folders where necessary.
- c) Provide support to Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) to participate in pre-designated TICAD meetings.

Activity 2: Communication and Advocacy

In order to maintain and increase the visibility and impact of the TICAD process on the African development discourse, UNDP will contribute actively to enhance advocacy and communication. In close consultation with Japan and other stakeholders, UNDP will explore opportunities to further raise awareness, among Japanese and international stakeholders, on some of the key development challenges that exist in Africa. To this end, UNDP will:

- a) Strengthen support to enhance the visibility of the TICAD process;
- b) Organize workshops/symposiums on pertinent development agendas with the objective of maintaining the momentum and further raising awareness and interest, among the public and stakeholders in Japan and abroad, of the TICAD process as well as in African development, in close coordination with the MOFA, JICA and other key stakeholders;
- c) Maintain the TICAD.net website with a view to providing a conducive platform for the provision and dissemination of TICAD related information vis-à-vis stakeholders as well as the public.

Activity 3: Support to TICAD Follow-up Programmes

The TICAD Unit, in close consultation with Japan, will implement multi-year strategic programme support on gender in line with AU's priorities as well as RBA's strategic direction, with the objective of contributing substantively and strategically to the operationalization of the TICAD V recommendations.

2015 Budget

Please see attached the budget for details.

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