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Overview

During this workshop, which is co-organised by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the Egyptian Ministry of International Co-operation, the UN Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) and the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB), participants will discuss the potential of working in triangular partnerships in Africa with a view to sharing experiences, lessons learned and ideas for future joint actions.

The outcomes of the Second High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Co-operation (BAPA+40) in 2019, provided an important political impetus to triangular co-operation. At BAPA +40, UN members acknowledged that triangular co-operation builds partnerships and trust between all partners, combining diverse resources and capacities, under the ownership of the requesting country, to achieve the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

On the African continent, digitalisation, rapid technology advancement, climate change and the various impacts of demographic transitions have been generating both opportunities and challenges. At the same time, the uncertainties created by the COVID-19 pandemic have put the African continent at risk of not meeting the SDGs. These development megatrends are driving co-operation dialogue and co-ordination around the world at all scales from the global to the local. To turn these challenges and megatrends into opportunities for the continent, it will be vital for Africa to diversify its development partnerships. As of now, triangular co-operation has not played a major role, and there is scope to expand and improve the implementation of the modality across the continent to scale up innovation and share successful solutions.

The OECD and UNOSSC have embarked on an analysis of current trends and possible strategic directions for triangular co-operation in Africa through a joint paper, to which the IsDB has contributed valuable inputs and feedback. The main findings of the paper will be discussed in the margins of the International Development Co-operation Forum hosted by the Government of Egypt. This workshop will gather representatives from African governments, development partners, civil society organisations, private sector, research institutes, philanthropy, regional and international institutions, including members of the Global Partnership Initiative (GPI) on Effective Triangular Co-operation.





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This workshop aims to:

- **Discuss** how triangular co-operation can add value in supporting Africa's efforts to address the megatrends and development challenges on the continent;
- **Explore** initial evidence on the impact of how triangular co-operation is used to tackle the COVID-19 crises;
- **Provide** an outlook for more inclusive, horizontal triangular partnerships to leverage and scale up innovations from Africa.

In Attendance

- Egyptian and African Ministers
- Development partners
- Private sector companies
- Civil society organizations
- Think tanks

