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## Papua New Guinea recognized for its DaO RBM efforts



Jacqui Badcock and Nynke Kuperus attended the first meeting of the **'Delivering as One' - Monitoring and Evaluation Network**, held on 9-11 September 2008 in Tam Dao, Vietnam. The network was set up to support information sharing, including tools and formats, identifying good practices and lessons learned, and also to build up a pool of resource persons. The purpose and function of this network was agreed upon during the three days meeting. The meeting was attended by participants from 7 of the 8 pilot countries (only Cape Verde was absent), from two self starter countries (Papua New Guinea and

Malawi) and from UN Development Operations and Coordination Office (UN DOCO). Nynke Kuperus will continue to represent Papua New Guinea in the DaO M&E Network.

A key decision made during the meeting was streamlining One UN reporting obligations with individual agency reporting. It being one of the 'hot' issues, all countries provided heated input to this discussion. UN DOCO agreed that something must be done. UN DOCO will ask exemption from agency specific Annual Reporting for this year (2008) for some countries. For 2008, Papua New Guinea is welcoming the Annual Progress Format that was developed in Rwanda on the basis of an analysis done of all individual agency requirements. Papua New Guinea's aim is to exempt any individual agency annual reporting from 2009 onwards.

Senior Advisor to 'Delivering as One', Mr. Cecilio Adorna, who recently visited PNG also attended and spoke highly about Papua New Guinea's ongoing efforts to move to results based reporting. Appreciating the progress made, we also discussed our plans for the future. For instance, how can we develop a DaO results framework that will measure whether our reform initiatives make us more efficient and effective, how can we work to increase external and internal capacity on RBM and how can we move towards web-based reporting? To move on this future plans an RBM Working Group, made up of Senior Management officials, UN M&E Specialist and M&E officers and focal points from all agencies, has now become a priority and possible ToRs will be discussed in the next UNCT meeting.

## UN Staff Participate in Human Rights Conference

A number of UN staff were invited to speak on Human Rights during a Human Conference organized by ICRAF on the 11-12 September 2008.

The purpose of the Conference was to build organizations and individual skills to strengthen institutions and individual skills to protect and promote Human Rights.

Human Rights Advisor, Neal Gilmore gave an update of the setting up of the Human Rights Commission in Papua New Guinea whilst other staff spoke on their various projects and Human Rights.

## UPCOMING EVENTS October 24

UN Day and the  
Launch of the State of  
Asia Pacific's Children  
2008  
Children 2008

## COMMON ADVOCACY CORNER

### An extract of the Opening remarks of the SG at the 2008 Torino retreat: "A Stronger UN for a better world"

We spoke of action, results, making the UN more modern, mobile, efficient and flexible. We spoke of transparency and, above all, accountability — upwards, downwards and inside-out. We coined an operating motto: Building a Stronger UN for a Better World.

Well, it is one year later. How have we done?

As you see from the program, ably put together by our colleagues at the UN Staff College, we have a chance today and tomorrow to think big thoughts about big issues — climate change, the MDGs, human rights, the security of our staff in an increasingly dangerous theatre of operations. But I also see this as an opportunity for self-examination — an occasion to take stock of where we are, and how we are doing. It is not always a pretty picture. We have tough jobs ... among the toughest in the world. Changing the culture of an organization like our United Nations is difficult and often messy. Let us turn a critical eye on our own work, and ask ourselves the key question: what can I do, today, to make my department more effective, faster, more efficient? What can we do — together, right now — to help build a stronger UN for a better world? To deliver for those in need.

Looking back on the year, I see encouraging progress. We met new challenges in the best UN tradition. We got relief into Myanmar when it was needed. We led the global response to the world food crisis.

In such crises, we owe a great debt to the UN's humanitarian workers, who operate in the most difficult conditions. I find it hard to fully express my admiration, and I told them so wherever I went this year.

We also made progress closer to home. We have pushed certain management reforms: a total overhaul of the internal justice system, for example. The successful conclusion of the UNDP audit was a win for transparency.

Our Capital Master Plan is proceeding smoothly. We have accelerated the construction schedule, and saved time and money by acting on sound business principles — very different from time-honored "business as usual" at the UN.

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