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Biodiversity in European Development Cooperation



Workshop 7: Governance and stakeholders engagement



Overall conclusion

Stakeholders participation in setting the aid governance framework is essential as is harnessing indigenous knowledge and ensuring equitable benefits

Key recommendations

Invest in research in clarifying stakeholders roles: which belongs to whom and how these roles should be institutionalized

Target investment in expanding and strengthening the civil society in partner countries for them to be an equal partner making useful contributions

Demonstrate leadership in developing a better understanding of the causes of failures of the 'aid promise', develop clear and transparent rules for the allocation and use of development funds, and ensure necessary institutional capacity at both ends: EU as well as host governments

Provide the leadership and means for partner countries to create a level playing field for business to be an effective partner in delivering conservation

Invest in strengthening civil society's understanding of business to enhance the prospects for public-private partnerships

Allocate a part of its development aid in each region or country into a fund that civil society and governments can draw on to leverage additional funding for conservation and sustainable development from the private sector and other sources