

UK Strategies to achieve the MDGs

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WHAT IS DFID's COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGE?



- ❖ Clear legislative base – the International Development Act
- ❖ As a consequence – clear focus: poverty reduction and the MDGs
- ❖ Ability to take a systemic view – DFID controls over 90% of UK ODA
- ❖ Enormous operational flexibility

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WITH PARTNER COUNTRIES

Develop, support and promote policy that assists poverty reduction and the achievement of the MDGs

- Country led is a philosophy and a mindset



An example of some important work
Work to reduce the effect of
corruption on development

- Help partner countries improve transparency and accountability
- Drive out bribery from international trade and business
- Deterring laundering of funds acquired

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ALLOCATE OUR AID TO THE RIGHT PLACES

- 90% of UK aid goes to low-income countries
- 100% of UK aid is untied

GIVE IT IN APPROPRIATE WAYS

- Predictability
- Lack of conditionality

INCREASE THE AMOUNT WE GIVE

- UK on target to meet 0.7% pledge by 2013
- Development programme for 2007/08 is £ 4.3 billion
- By 2013/14 it will be £10 billion

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DIFFERENT APPROACHES IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES



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INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENT WITH CHINA

- This work directly responds to China's growing influence on the rest of the world.
- It recognises that constructive engagement, dialogue and exchange of ideas and technology will be important to achieving global development objectives.
- It will cover four main areas
 - Africa
 - Aid effectiveness and harmonisation
 - Sustainable development, climate change and energy security
 - Learning from China
- Working towards MDG 8.



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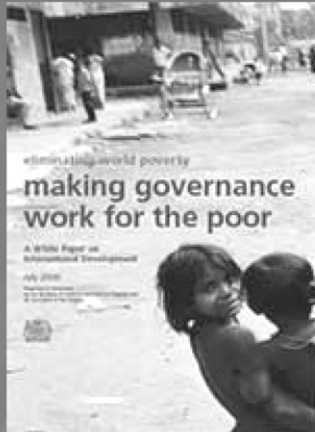
IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

- Work to promote international agreement on more and better aid
- Make our approach to aid conditionality more consistent and transparent
- Work with international partners to improve the effectiveness of resources devoted to tackling AIDS
- Respond to the global threat of climate change
- Make social protection a higher priority



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WITHIN UK GOVERNMENT



- International Development Act – sets out purpose of oda as poverty reduction
- Creation of a single government ministry, cabinet level minister
- Increased resources to development – aim to reach 0.7% oda/gni by 2013.
- Cross government – all ministries with a common aim.
 - Public Service Agreements – setting out what each government department will achieve with the resources it is given
 - Policy Coherence work

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