UNECE Approach to promoting PPP best practices and standards

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What are PPPs?

Definition (UNECE Guide to Good Governance):

«Innovative, long term, contractual arrangements for developing infrastructure and providing public services by introducing private sector funds, expertise and motivation into areas that are normally the responsibility of government»

• public infrastructure divided into «economic» and «social»
What are PPPs?

Video: introduction to PPPs
What are PPPs?

Four key elements:
- long term contract;
- payment over the life of the PPP contract;
- allocation of risks; and
- reversion of asset to public sector.

• Alternative to traditional procurement...
• ...risk transfer from public to private sector, inter alia: costs of design and construction; cost of time overruns; and operation and maintenance costs.
Intergovermental process: TOS PPP

- Team of Specialists on PPPs

“...to facilitate information sharing and exchange of practical experience of Public Private Partnerships among Member States and to contribute to the preparation, implementation and evaluation of a capacity-building programme for public and private sectors officials...”
Team of Specialists on PPPs:

- Established in 2008;
- Yearly meetings in Geneva;
- Held its 5th session in February 2013
- Next session (6th) scheduled for June 2014

New initiative in 2012: creation of the UNECE International PPP Centre of Excellence
Objectives of the ICoE

1. Identify international PPP best practices and develop international PPP standards;

2. Assist governments to successfully implement best practices and standards; and

3. Encourage shared learning especially between countries new to PPPs and those with mature PPP programmes.
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Achievements by the end 2013

• 5-6 International PPP Specialist Centres fully operational;
• Work started on the Best Practice Guides; and
• Fully operational Business Advisory Board.
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**Note:**
- Green font: Specialist Centres established
- Purple font: Specialist Centres in the pipeline
- Brown font: Specialist Centres under initial consideration
UNECE ICoE: a new synergy between the United Nations and Multilateral Development Banks

- United Nations with its power of convening identifying best practice models and standards focusing **upstream**

- MDBs implementing best practice models by financing projects **downstream**
ICoE: Delivering Excellence

- A better policy and project capability to do PPP
- Better education for all
- Higher quality and more accessible healthcare
- Energy for all: renewables and energy efficiency
- Smart cities: making our cities more accessible, manageable, communicative, and citizen minded
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Available at the UNECE International PPP ICoE website.

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