

Event description:

Welcome speech

Prime Minister of Sweden Mr. Stefan Löfven

Addressing the vital role of ODA in reaching the SDGs.

Introduction

Minister for International Development Cooperation, Ms. Isabella Lövin

Sweden has allocated 1% of BNI to ODA for decades based on a strong conviction of the need for, and unique role of, ODA for poverty alleviation and sustainable development.

Country perspective:

Ethiopia

Minister of Finance and Economic Development Mr Sufian Ahmed (TBC)

ODA as an enabler/catalyser for more resources for sustainable development and contributes to actions against poverty.

Mozambique

Minister of Economy and Finance Mr. Adriano Afonso Maleiane (TBC)

a country in conflict to what it is today. General Budget Support in combination with capacity building support to institutions like the National Audit Office has resulted in, among others; that an enabling environment for domestic resource mobilisation has been created. The PFM has been strengthened and it has increased efficiency and effectiveness of public spending and led to confidence of foreign investors.

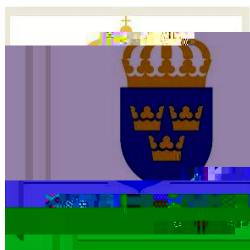
An example how ODA through a development loan has leveraged 585MSEK for rehabilitation of hydropower plants in Mavuzi and Chicamba will also be presented.

The United Arab Emirates :

Minister of Development Ms. Sheikha Lubna Al Qasimi (TBC)

The UAE is for many a non-traditional donor country and it is unknown to vast majority that in 2013, total net ODA of the UAE amounted to USD 5.4 billion, representing an increase in real terms of 435% over 2012. The ratio of ODA as a share of GNI also rose, to 1.34%, from 2012. In 2013 the Ministry of International Cooperation and Development (MICAD) was created.

This presentation will focus on renewable energy markets and give an example on what can be accomplished by ODA in this sector.

**Discussion and Q&A:**

The case presentation will be followed by a discussion and Q&A session. The cases presented will be discussed as well as the uniqueness of ODA and ODAs vital role in development. ODA still a crucial source in financing for development will be discussed.

Closing/Final remarks

Minister for International Development Cooperation, Ms. Isabella Lövin

Summing up the discussion and once more emphasize the importance and uniqueness of ODA.

Chair of the session:

Ms. Charlotte Petri Gornitzka, Director General Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency