

OPEN DAY Program – Southern Africa Regional Learning Event

Friday 8 May 2015, Cresta Lodge Hotel, Harare, Zimbabwe

The Open day is the final day of a four day Regional Learning Event (RLE) held for the Civil Society WASH Fund in Southern Africa. Participants for the event are CSO staff and partners of the Fund: Plan International Malawi, Australian Red Cross Lesotho; Concern Malawi; Plan International Mozambique; WaterAid Mozambique; Welthungerhilfe Zimbabwe; World Vision Zimbabwe; and their respective counterparts, particularly Local Government. The Open Day is a chance for participants outside the Fund to join the program, learn about the Fund and share their experiences, with the view to improving WASH effectiveness and sustainability of investments. Objectives of the whole RLE program are to:

- 1) Improve the effectiveness and sustainability of WASH projects within the Fund, particularly in relation to CSOs and Local Government working together;
- 2) Strengthen relationships between civil society organisations (CSOs), local government and other transformation agents within the Southern African Region to extend specific areas for collaboration and sharing; and
- 3) Provide a forum to build the WASH community of practice within the Fund, and learn from and share with the wider WASH community.

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| Time | Friday 8 May |
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| 8:30 – 9:00 | Registration |
| 9:00 - 9:10 | Welcome |
| 9:10 - 9:25 | Keynote: Future Trends in WASH and the Role of Aid – Harold Lockwood, Aguaconsult |
| 9:25 - 10:30 | Panel Discussion on key topic – <i>Engagement with Local Government for sustainable WASH services</i> . Facilitated by Harold Lockwood. Panel Members: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nyasha Simbanagevi, Commonwealth Local Government Forum, Pretoria, South Africa 2. Masauko Mthunzi, Concern Universal, Malawi 3. Christopher Shumba, Principal Director, Ministry of Local Government Public Works and National Housing, Zimbabwe |

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| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. <i>Ben Henson</i>, Consultant 5. <i>Local government representative</i> [tbc] |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Break |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | Facilitated Reflection Activity on field visits. Facilitated by <i>Guardiner Manikai</i> , National Facilitator |
| 11:30 – 12:30 | <p>Presentations from the CS WASH Fund.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Civil Society WASH Fund in the Australian Aid Program - <i>Robyne Leven</i>, Water, Sanitation & Hygiene Section, Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade 2. The evolving role of CSOs in the CS WASH Fund - <i>Paul Tyndale-Biscoe</i>, Monitoring and Evaluation Reference Panel 3. Working effectively with transformation agents in the Welthungerhilfe Project, Sustainable Services for Everyone beyond the Lifetime of the project at a Fair price (SELF) - <i>Mark Harper</i>, Program Manager, Welthungerhilfe |
| 12:30 – 1:30 | Lunch |
| 1:30 – 3:00 | <p>Guest speakers with Q&A session</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Southern African Regional Local Government Perspective - <i>Nyasha Simbanagevi</i>, Commonwealth Local Government Forum, Pretoria, South Africa 2. Disability and WASH - <i>Sian White</i>, Research Fellow, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine 3. Support to the water sector in the Southern Africa - <i>Michael Webster</i>, Senior Water & Sanitation Specialist, World Bank 4. Why do we have Local Authorities? Focus on Zimbabwe - <i>Axel Ulmer</i>, Head of Programme, GIZ Zimbabwe |
| 3:00 – 3:30 | Break |
| 3:30 – 4:30 | Workshop session: Capturing lessons for action |
| 4:30 – 5:00 | Closing comments |