

## **TALKING POINTS FOR THE MODERATOR**

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I thank you, your Excellency.

Please allow me to provide a short overview of what transpired yesterday.

Yesterday's discussions generated a lively and very rich exchange among Experts from seven countries, complemented by reflections from resource persons from the United Nations development system, and contributions by participants from the audience. Essentially, the discussion sought to determine how well the United Nations system promotes national ownership and leadership in cooperating with the programme countries, and how it supports the development of national capacities, to enable governments and national stakeholders to have greater ownership and leadership in the development processes, including over the support provided by the UN development system.

The discussion was made richer by the variety of country contexts, including some countries that have adopted the Delivering as One approach, and some countries graduating as MICs.

In the morning, the main discussants presented respective experiences and perspectives from Guatemala, Tajikistan, Tanzania, and Viet Nam. The main focus was on national ownership and leadership. In the afternoon, the main discussants presented respective experiences and perspectives from Ethiopia, Peru and Nepal. The focus was on capacity development. The floor was also opened to audience who also made interesting contributions.

I would like to introduce the presenters of the outcomes of the morning and the afternoon sessions, respectively:

**Dr. Servacius B. Likwelile**

Dr. Likwelile is currently Deputy Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs, Government of United Republic of Tanzania. Before that, he was Executive Director of Tanzania Social Action Fund (TASAF) that supports community level interventions to enhance access to social services and income generation opportunities, and was earlier the Director of Poverty Eradication Division in the Government of Tanzania responsible for the Government's anti-poverty policy and programme. Dr. Likwelile is an Economist by training, and serves as Senior Lecturer and previously Head of the Department of Economics, at University of Dar es Salaam. He is a member of a poverty focused research institute known as Research on Poverty Alleviation (REPOA).

**H.E. Mr. Ahmed Shide**

Mr. Shide is State Minister of Finance and Economic Development. Prior to his current post, Mr. Shide held numerous prominent posts including as Head of the Bureau of Pastoral and Rural Development Co-ordination, Jijiga, Ethiopia (2005 – 2008); Secretary-General for the Somali People Democratic Party (2005 – 2008); and Head of the Office of Civil Service Reform Bureau for Somali National Regional State, (2004 – 2005).

Minister Shide is an economist by training at BA graduate level from the Ethiopian Civil Service College, and he has a Masters in Participation, Development and Social Change from the University of Sussex, UK.

May I turn over the floor to you, to present the morning session, Dr. Likwelile.....

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May I now turn over the floor to you, for presentation of the afternoon session, Minister Shide .....

Mr. Chair, may I now open the floor to the audience for any questions or comments. ...