



Introduction
to the work of the
Donor Committee for
Enterprise Development
(DCED)

Chiang Mai, Thailand

ILO PSD Seminar

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Overall Objectives and Rationale

- To coordinate donor agendas, approaches
- To share successful experiences and lessons learned in the field
- To benchmark approaches/instruments and agree on jointly defined standards
- To avoid duplication of activities
- To build staff and practitioner capacity

The Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness puts increasing emphasis on donor harmonization; DCED work aims at further substantiating this in the technical field of enterprise development

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Modes of Working

- Formed in 1979 as the informal “Committee of Donor Agencies for Small Enterprise Development”
- Since 2005, move towards more substantial operations, including more formal structures
 - Co-chairs complemented by Executive Committee
 - Secretariat with part-time Coordinator
 - Membership fee to finance Secretariat activities
- Technical work through working groups, currently on
 - Business Enabling Environment
 - Linkages and Value Chains
- Increasing focus on services to members (through Secretariat)
 - Knowledge management, websites, newsletter
 - Support to members, country coordination groups

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The Committee's evolving structure

Annual Meeting / General Assembly of Members

Co-chairs

Laurence Carter, World Bank Group
Corinna Küsel, German Devt.Coop.

Executive Committee

Co-Chairs + Martin Clemensson, ILO;
Jean-Christophe Favre, SDC;
Dag Larsson, NORAD

Trust Fund, administered by IFC

Secretariat

Jim Tanburn, **Coordinator**

- Knowledge management
- Websites, newsletter
- Support to working groups

Working Groups: currently

- **Business Environment Reform**
(Chair: Martin Clemensson)
- **Linkages and Value Chains**
(Co-chairs: Doyle Baker, FAO, Michele Clara, UNIDO)

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Active members

- **Bilateral agencies** currently active in the Committee include Governments of Australia, Austria, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, UK, USA
- **Multi-lateral agencies** currently active include the European Commission, FAO, IFAD, ILO, OECD-DAC, UNCTAD, UNDP, UNIDO, World Bank Group

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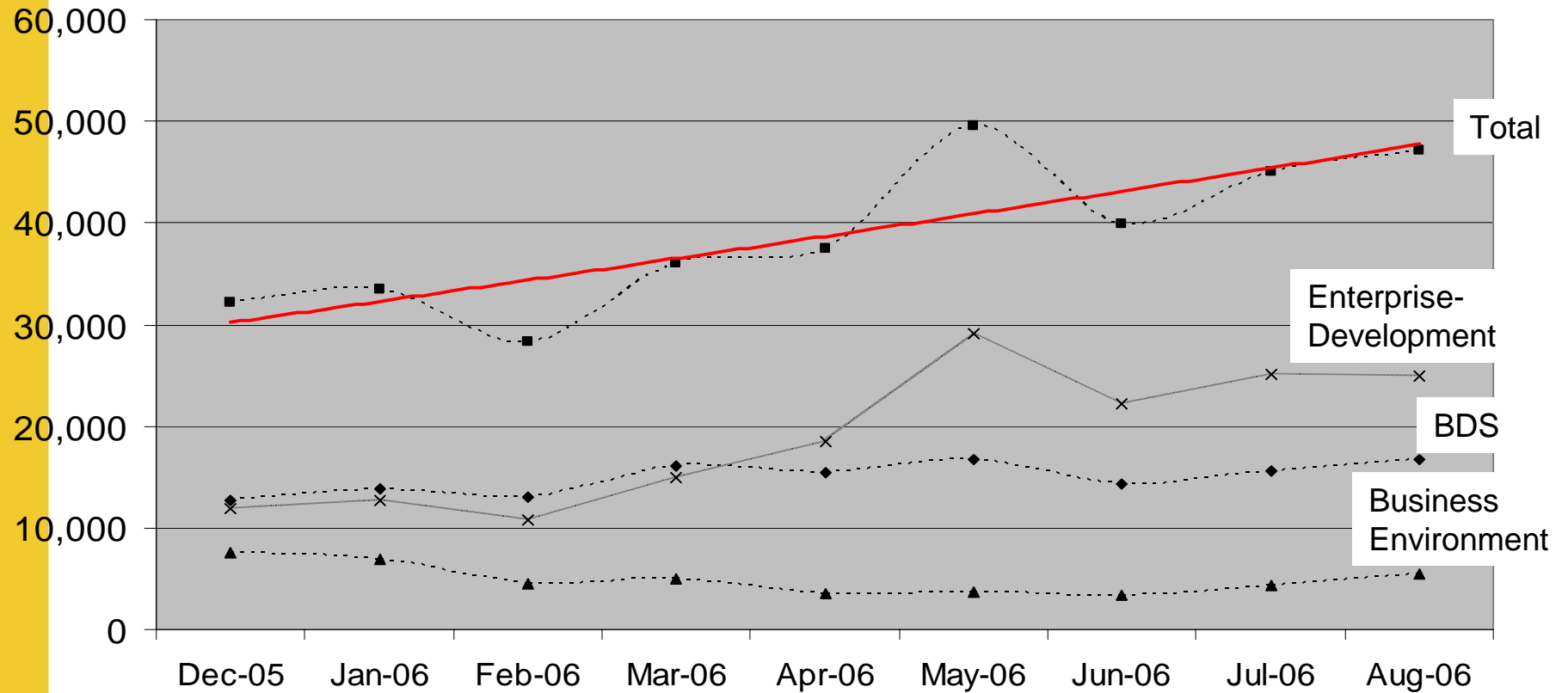
Some of the main activities

- Definition of best practice for donors through Guiding Principles
 - “Business Development Services for Small Enterprises” (Blue Book), 2001
- International and regional Conferences
 - Cairo Conference on reform of the business environment globally, 2005; 300 people from 29 donor agencies
- Knowledge management, websites etc.
 - www.enterprise-development.org information on members, Working Groups, events, documents
 - www.bdsknowledge.org Oracle database for BDS, Value Chains, Making Markets Work for the Poor etc.
 - www.businessenvironment.org
 - Monthly newsletter

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Page Views per month on Committee websites



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Future agenda?

- Fully implement efforts towards higher level of activities, services and professionalism
 - Establish larger Secretariat, with improved services and outreach
 - Expanded activities, part. knowledge management and information sharing on events, research, new topics, etc.
 - Expanded outreach to country level donor groups
 - Reach out to new members, including new donors
- New modes of operation, e.g. benchmarking/peer reviews
- Address new topics (in a flexible way)
 - Impact orientation
 - SWAps, programme-oriented approaches
 - Engaging the private sector
- Raise the Committee profile, representation in other forums and events

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