Re: TIP/USAID MOU Status and Next Steps

kdimsdale@usaid.gov Kate Dimsdale Friday, July 22, 2022 at 11:46:20 AM Eastern Daylight Time
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Thanks, Veronica. Much appreciated. Hope your offsite in Madrid went well.

We had our Acting Assistant Administrator (who is acting for Karl Fickenscher while he is out on hiring boards for our Foreign Service) Gillian Caldwell "sign" the MOU last week (see attached). We will plan to have a more formal signing for ink signatures with Kristian and Karl, ideally, or designated officials at a later date.

Looks like Friday, July 29 at 11 am EST / 16:00 BST would work best for Kofi, Meghan, Tom, and myself to discuss the next steps for the MOU our collaboration.

Thanks,

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On Fri, Jul 22, 2022 at 11:33 AM Veronica Torres <[redacted]@telecominfraproject.com> wrote:

> + Rudolph Moncrieff for TIP strategic messaging, who will join me on the follow-up discussion. Rudolph may invite others from his team as well once we settle on a meeting date & time.
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> Kate – Proposing two meeting options: TUES, JUL 26 or FRI, JUL 29 both at 1600 BST/11:00 am EDT. As advance, Kristian will be in London from AUG 15-early SEPT so hopefully we can find a time that also works for USAID's leadership team in the UK around the same time.
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> Hope to chat soon,
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> Veronica
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> **Date:** Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at 2:35 PM
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> No worries. Sounds good to us! Enjoy the offsite in Madrid!

Thanks,

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On Wed, Jul 13, 2022 at 2:17 PM Veronica Torres <[redacted]@telecominfraproject.com> wrote:

> Kate – Thanks for the update! Great to hear the MOU is now with USAID's final signatory. Let us regroup internally to discuss on timing for next steps. Kristian is leading an offsite in Madrid next week that will include most of the folks on this email chain so most will be out-of-pocket at least for a few days. I'll circle back with you & others to propose dates/times that work for a potential in-person signing ceremony & other PR around the events.
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> Best,
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> Veronica
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> Good morning, all!
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> Hope you're doing well.
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> I wanted to reach out to let you know that the TIP/USAID MOU is now with our Acting Assistant Administrator Karl Fickenscher for signature! It's been a long road and I greatly appreciate your continued patience with us as we have slowly moved this MOU forward through the USAID clearance process. I'll let you know when he's signed and share a copy for Kristian to sign.

I have looped in my colleagues Kofi, Meghan, and Tom to set up some time to discuss next steps for our collaboration.

We'd be happy to set up some time with you all to discuss a potential in-person signature ceremony (in DC, in the UK, or perhaps in the Philippines or the Indo-Pacific region) as well as how we'd now like to move forward with the relationship and begin to set up our mutually agreed upon workplan (in the MOU, I updated that to be by September 2022).

Let us know some times that work for you all and we'll put something on the calendar!

Thanks again,

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Attachments:

[Signed by USAID] USAID-TIP MOU Final .pdf 112k