



# **Overview on the Trade Union Development Cooperation Network: TUDCN global strategy 2016-2020**

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# Main achievements of the TUDCN to date



- Trade Unions priorities included in development policies
- Trade unions recognised as development actors in their own right
- Trade Unions influence CSOs and development community
- Innovative trade union international solidarity partnerships
- Regional development networks are created
- Trade Unions engage in advocacy oriented research

# Global challenges for development



## Agenda 2030 & Financing for Development (FfD):

- Very weak willingness to tackle systemic coherence of policies
- Vague commitments
- Voluntary accountability mechanisms
- Strong role of business/privatisation/tied aid
- Diverting ODA resources



# Achievements and Opportunities

## Decent Work recognised at international level:

- A2030 GOAL 8/Indicators + other goals
- Reducing inequalities
- Social Protection/Floors (A2030 and FfD)
- Follow up processes (A2030 and FfD)

## Multi-stakeholders approach and monitoring process (GPEDC)

## Alliances to promote social dialogue and business accountability in development

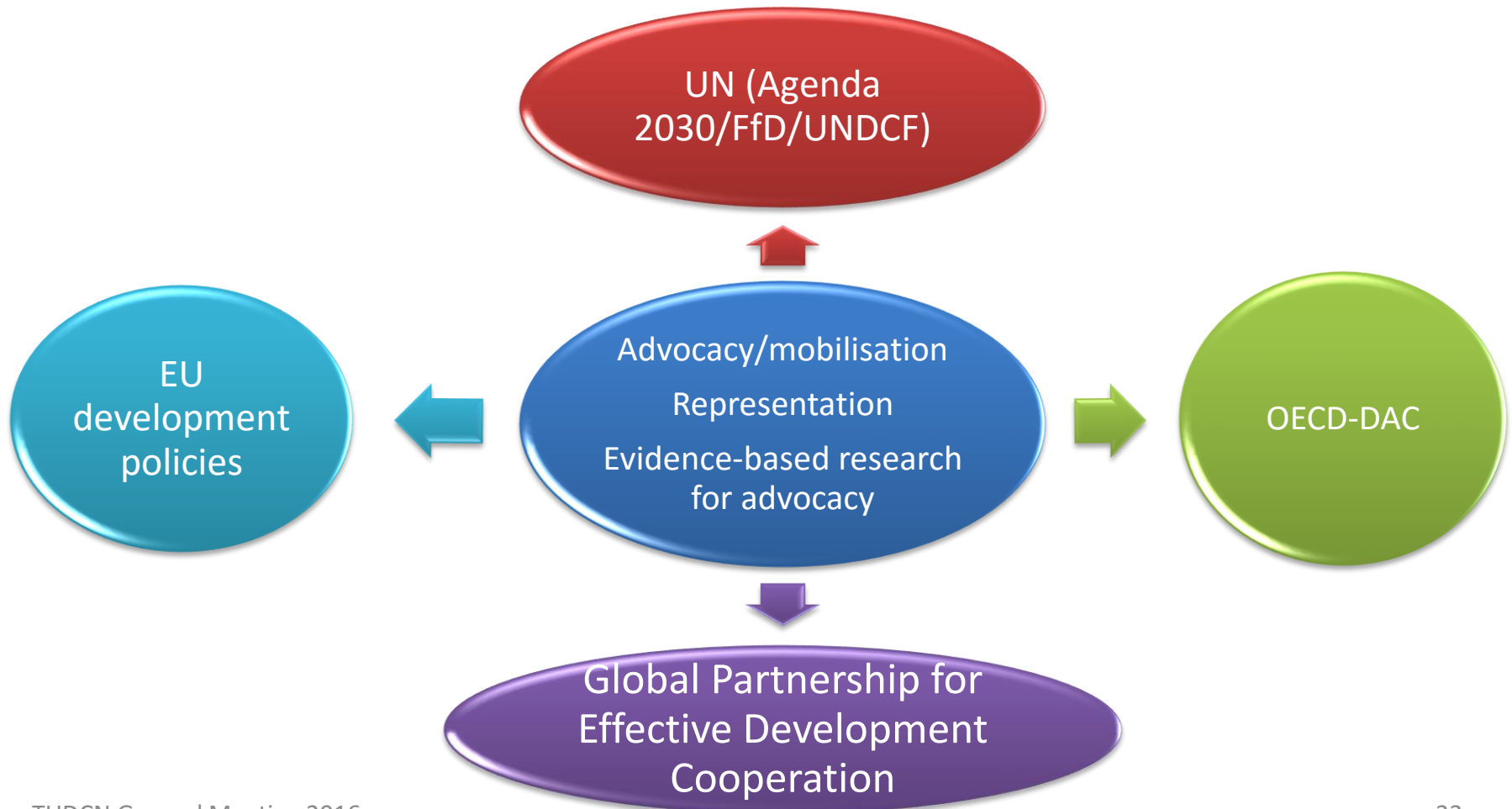
## (DAC/GPEDC)



# TUDCN strategic engagement axes



**Trade unions are development actors in their own right**



# TUDCN strategic engagement axes



## Trade union partnerships for international solidarity



Ownership & equal partnerships

Shared criteria

Facilitating coordination



## Strengthened coordination and synergies across global, regional and national levels

### The role of the regional development networks (RDNs)

Elaboration of engagement strategies and work plans on both contents and governance

### National organizations' increased involvement

NOs need to be proactive at national level, as well as, in contributing to the life of the network i.e. working groups and other gatherings of the network

### Outreach and visibility strategy (internal/external-Equal Times)

Increased synergies across relevant areas (i.e. trade/human rights etc.) to grant holistic approach to development

# TUDCN governance



## TUDCN general meetings (Annual)

- Bring together all the members of the network and are aimed at setting the overall agenda for the work of the network, take the necessary decisions in terms of organising the work and the implementation of the work plan.
- Composition: All active members of the TUDCN- including **regional organisations** and their national affiliates (max 5)



*TUDCN 2015 General Meeting (Florence, Italy)*



# TUDCN governance



## TUDCN Open Coordination Meeting (annual, in between GMs)

- Ensures coordination of the network in between the annual General Meeting
- Composition: **3 representatives per region** (Europe/OECD, Africa, Latin America, Asia Pacific), 1 GUF representative. Open to all TUDCN interested members



*TUDCN 2015 Open Coordination Meeting (Brussels)*

# TUDCN governance



## TUDCN Steering Committee

- Prepare TUDCN meetings, oversees the work of the TUDCN secretariat, ensures monitoring and evaluation of the work and assesses regularly the financial and administrative situation of the network
- Composition: **5 representatives from the regions** (Americas, Asia-Pacific, Africa and Europe), 1 representative from the GUFs, TUDCN Secretariat

# TUDCN working modalities



## TUDCN working groups (WG)

- Discussion and implementation of TUDCN priorities
- Online work and consultation, and offline meetings
- Open membership, mailing list managed by TUDCN Secretariat

<b>WG on EU development policies</b>
<b>WG on Global policies</b>
<b>WG on Trade Union Partnerships and Joint Initiatives</b>
<b>WG on South-South and Triangular Cooperation</b>
<b>WG Communication and Outreach</b>

# TUDCN working modalities



## TUDCN thematic seminars

- Thematic or training seminars are organised in order to enlarge the level playing field within the trade union organisations, create capacity or study and exchange on trade union development cooperation related issues and support on-line work streams
- Composition: All TUDCN members interested in participating
- Periodicity: when necessary

# TUDCN working modalities



## TUDCN Secretariat

- Organises working groups, network meetings, and seminars
- Ensures the communication, information and visibility instruments of the Network
- Assists with the outreach work to the members, affiliates, NGO platforms and other partners of the TUDCN