### Q1 Please indicate who you represent:

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Q2 Have you previously participated in an STDF Working Group meeting?

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Q3 What do you think worked well with this virtual STDF Working Group meeting? e.g. Secretariat's planning and communications, advance documents provided by Secretariat and members, chairing, participation, technology

Answered: 28   Skipped: 0
1. Information prior to the meeting, meeting rules, and technology use.
   Date: 4/16/2020 7:54 AM

2. I was not able to attend the virtual meeting but really acknowledge the advance communications provided by the secretariat.
   Date: 4/15/2020 10:34 PM

3. All of it! The Chair did an excellent job facilitating the conversation. The Secretariat did an excellent job with all the advance work required to make it run so efficiently. I think submitting the comments in writing in advance and having the Secretariat reflect them in their summaries made the virtual event especially effective, whereas without doing so it could have been much longer and more confusing.
   Date: 4/15/2020 9:49 PM

4. Planning in advance, opportunities to provide input virtually.
   Date: 4/15/2020 7:02 PM

5. Zoom worked well, surprised at the level of participation.
   Date: 4/15/2020 5:15 PM

6. The meeting was very well prepared and members sent comments in advance.
   Date: 4/15/2020 2:54 PM

7. Good opinion.
   Date: 4/15/2020 12:09 PM

8. The virtual meeting was well organized, and relevant information timely shared. The STDF Secretariat and the Chair did an excellent job conducting the meeting. Quality of image and sound was excellent.
   Date: 4/15/2020 11:47 AM

9. Efficient preparation, focus on decision items, "objections only".
   Date: 4/15/2020 11:04 AM

10. It was well planned and good time management. However, there were little interventions compared to physical meetings. It has its advantages and inconveniences.
    Date: 4/14/2020 3:23 PM

11. The Secretariat’s planning and communication was great! The running of the whole meeting, especially by the Chair, went well.
    Date: 4/14/2020 1:57 AM

12. The meeting was very efficiently managed. The Chair and the Secretariat were well prepared and coordinated the discussion.
    Date: 4/12/2020 2:07 PM

13. Advanced document and the simplified agenda as well as the excellent chairing.
    Date: 4/11/2020 10:29 PM

14. All the examples including the focus-adjusted agenda for the abridged virtual version of the physical meeting of the WG. This was really good.
    Date: 4/11/2020 1:30 AM

15. All of the above.
    Date: 4/10/2020 6:08 PM

16. Secretariat’s planning and communications - Advance documents provided by Secretariat - Advanced prepared summaries for various agenda items - Focused discussion - Brevity - Summaries
    Date: 4/10/2020 12:31 PM

17. Efficiency of the Chair and Secretariat. The technology worked well although some participants were difficult to hear/see.
    Date: 4/9/2020 7:27 PM

18. The substantial planning in advance was great, and the back and forth that the Secretariat had with donors to address comments directly and be able to clarify them in advance of the group meeting was valuable. Julie was a fantastic, fair, and efficient chairperson, and the technology worked well. As a side note, I thought it was a lot of fun to do this via zoom and not just cancel it!
    Date: 4/9/2020 4:40 PM

19. I was pleasantly surprised by how well the meeting went, given the challenging circumstances. I appreciated the communication from the Secretariat and the leadership from the Chair. I thought both did a good job at incorporating comments from the Members -- keeping a semblance of the usual discussions -- even if actual engagement during the meeting was limited. The technology worked fairly well and Melvin and Pablo did a great job in linking us all to the conversation.
    Date: 4/9/2020 3:07 PM

20. Providing advance documents. Providing various options for connecting to the meeting - important for those of us not allowed to connect via Zoom.
    Date: 4/9/2020 2:36 PM

21. Comments prepared in advance and very efficient time management by the Chair.
    Date: 4/9/2020 1:01 PM

22. The organizing planning and communications went well. Technology was not 100%, at times 'it got stuck' or could not hear somebody was saying.
    Date: 4/9/2020 12:39 PM

23. Documents were shared enough in advance for good preparation, and it helped to have the comments shared.
    Date: 4/9/2020 12:28 PM

24. Effective planning and preparation by the Secretariat excellent chairing timing efficient and productive decision making process during the meeting very focused participation zoom.
    Date: 4/9/2020 12:08 PM
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<td>Advance documents from Secretariat, instructions/advice provided re Zoom in advance and chairing by Canada were all excellent.</td>
<td>4/9/2020 11:55 AM</td>
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<td>26</td>
<td>The chairing was good as was the pace the business was conducted. The technology also worked well considering the number of people connected.</td>
<td>4/9/2020 11:51 AM</td>
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<td>27</td>
<td>Well planned agenda</td>
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<td>All of the above</td>
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Q4 Which, if any, of the advance documents provided did you read?

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**ANSWER CHOICES**

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**PLEASE SHARE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS RELATED TO THESE DOCUMENTS:**

#  | Comments                                                                                      | Date               
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1   | No comments                                                                                    | 4/15/2020 10:34 PM |
2   | - provision of documents was useful                                                           | 4/15/2020 5:15 PM  |
3   | I did not find the comments from members when I looked on the website.                       | 4/15/2020 11:04 AM |
4   | Read all and provided comments                                                               | 4/14/2020 3:23 PM  |
5   | The focus agenda considering a shorter virtual version of the physical meeting.              | 4/11/2020 1:30 AM  |
6   | As always, well done and timely                                                              | 4/10/2020 12:31 PM |
7   | The PPGs/PGs could be assembled into one document for ease of downloading/reviewing.        | 4/9/2020 7:27 PM   |
8   | I always appreciate the advance documents, particularly the Secretariat review of applications. With the constraints we had this time, these documents were especially important! | 4/9/2020 3:07 PM   |
9   | and the applications which felt under my field.                                              | 4/9/2020 1:01 PM   |
10  | well prepared and useful                                                                      | 4/9/2020 12:08 PM  |
11  | Comments on PPGs were shared by e-mail                                                        | 4/9/2020 11:46 AM  |
Q5 What do you think could be improved in future STDF virtual meetings? e.g. Secretariat's planning and communications, advance documents provided by Secretariat and members, chairing, participation, technology.

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<td>Planning and communications is ok, but it is quiet tough from my end to link virtually given the time difference from this part of the world (Fiji). As well as sometimes internet reception is a challenge.</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>I think you all did a fantastic job.</td>
<td>4/15/2020 9:49 PM</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>If possible, more participation would be useful but this isn't truly necessary if comments are provided in advance. For the strange situation, the system worked perfectly.</td>
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<td>I think the meeting went well - should be limited to only 3 hours.</td>
<td>4/15/2020 5:15 PM</td>
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<td>I think the members comments should be made a little bit more in advance.</td>
<td>4/15/2020 2:54 PM</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>good organization</td>
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<td>Overall, in my opinion, this first virtual meeting worked well, given the limitations of virtual vs. face-to-face participation.</td>
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<td>It worked well... apart from the difficulty of finding comments, mentioned above. It was easy to find the documents through links in the agenda, other documents I did not find (and did not have time to look).</td>
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<td>It works surprisingly well and I think that this digital approach should be continued or mixed with physical meeting</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>Nil</td>
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<td>A little more opportunity for participation could be considered in the future.</td>
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<td>nothing specific - all went well</td>
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<td>13</td>
<td>Consideration on the opportunity to hold pre-virtual meetings or videoconferences on specific issues identified by the STDF Secretariat in preparation for the meeting related to the agenda of the meeting, that could be discussed in focus-groups e.g. between the lead officer of a PPG/PG, the partner agencies and the advisers from developing countries only.</td>
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<td>Advanced documents by Secretariat and comments from members are very useful to prepare for the meeting.</td>
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<td>The implementation of this 1st virtual WG meeting was very good</td>
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<td>Agenda should be kept to 3-5 topics and a shorter time frame for the session (e.g. more topic-based). This would allow for more full discussion of the topic.</td>
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<td>Regarding the technology, it seemed that the chair's screen view of the meeting didn't allow her to see the raised hands, so maybe fixing that so she can call on people easily would be better.</td>
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<td>I don't think virtual meetings can truly replicate the Working Group meetings -- the exchanges are necessarily much briefer and we miss out on the presentations and other side engagement -- but I think that this format worked well enough that it could be a good option for other meetings (spillovers, MEL, maybe even some sessions of the Policy Committee?).</td>
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<td>N/A</td>
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<td>20</td>
<td>The meeting was very well organized.</td>
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<td>Only technology, but I am not sure if STDF secretariaat could solve that problem. Might very well be my wifi connection.</td>
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<td>if written comments are requested, maybe having a bit more time to review would help, so a deadline a bit shorter, but a few more days to read review. also, if the secretariat provides answers to questions that were shared, if all could benefit from these answers, that would be helpful too.</td>
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<td>if needed sharing of screen with documents, links, presentations</td>
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<td>I feel I would now be more familiar with using Zoom for future meetings and more confident re participating so it is more a matter of personal capacity building than anything STDF could do</td>
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<td>More people with cameras turned on as it is helpful in terms of meeting conduct and use of the hands up function.</td>
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<td>All went well. Next meeting will depend on the agenda, and number of participants</td>
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<td>I thought the meeting ran smoothly - good job!</td>
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Q6 The new STDF Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) framework is expected to improve monitoring and learning related to future Working Group meetings. Would you be willing to complete a similar survey following future meetings?

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<td>I thought the MEL will look primarily at project monitoring, implementation and results</td>
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<td>It may be useful</td>
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<td>I'm sorry - this question text is running of the webpage and I am not able to read it to answer or provide comment.</td>
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Q7 Please share any additional views on this virtual Working Group meeting, including opportunities and/or risks for the STDF to make more use of virtual meetings in the future.

Answered: 19   Skipped: 9
Virtual Working Group Survey (estimated time to complete: 3 min)

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<td>The COVID emergency has shown that the use of new technologies can get more strategic allies connected and involved in spite of the distance.</td>
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<td>I hope to have the opportunity to attend an upcoming virtual meeting given the last one was in the height of a Tropical Cyclone in our part of the Pacific and internet connectivity is quiet hard during the adverse weather.</td>
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<td>I don't feel like virtual could replace the regular WG meetings in the long-term, but on occasion or to address specific issues it feels like you got the recipe down on the first try.</td>
<td>4/15/2020 9:49 PM</td>
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<td>- I suspect virtual meetings will be held for a number of international events in the future, it is more efficient but it lacks to ability to have an extended discussion and meet individual members</td>
<td>4/15/2020 5:15 PM</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Zoom worked very well. However, given recent security breach concerns, it might be wise to consider, for future virtual meetings, using additional security features (e.g. use of a password).</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>While virtual meetings are an efficient way to make decisions, they lose an important part of what makes STDF WG meetings valuable: the interaction between participants. I would strongly caution not to replace the two annual meetings of the WG by virtual meetings - except in these special circumstances.</td>
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<td>I don't see any risks rather than more opportunities. It is also an opportunity to save on travel budget, environment and the like.</td>
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<td>Virtual meetings are better for specific and more focused subjects.</td>
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<td>will be good to consider a blended approach for future meeting where parts of the agenda could be done virtually (ahead of the physical meeting) and save time for more topics to the physical meeting</td>
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<td>Procedural issues related to the decision-making in virtual meetings should be clarified e.g. can we do business as usual in virtual formal meetings or we are allow to consider and agree on certain matters / agenda items but not for others for which we need a physical meeting (?)</td>
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<td>It’s a good experience to be used more in the future</td>
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<td>Security concerns related to the use of some video-conference technologies has been reported. The Secretariat may wish to review security aspects of technologies.</td>
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<td>I think this could be good as an option for ad hoc or as needed small group meetings, but I would see it as risky to move to a virtual platform exclusively for future working groups. In person meetings create the strong sense of collaboration and unity in this group which leads to a productive, engaged, and successful organization. Additionally, if there were actual disagreement on an proposal, the virtual platform seems difficult to really engage, discuss, and come to consensus. This working group there were not any contentious issues which may have been why the virtual platform worked so well, but as we know from the past, there can be differing opinions in the group. So in summary, virtual platforms are better than just a phone call and can be an alternative for some STDF related meetings, but I would say that they should not replace the working group in person.</td>
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<td>Thanks very much for organizing! I am glad we were able to move forward with critical items like the Work Plan and the proposal review and appreciate the flexibility and responsiveness of the Secretariat and Chair.</td>
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<td>What is stricking is that a 2 days meeting could be held in 2 hours 20 with quite the same result. In the future, virtual meetings may be sufficient to save resources and the environment. This represents an opportunity for a new way of working.</td>
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<td>Note: Zoom seem to have some privacy and security issues. At my organisation it may be the use of Zoom will not be allowed anymore, but only Signal or maybe Facetime</td>
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<td>allowed participation of many members that eventually may have not be able to join physically Thank you, I enjoyed it</td>
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<td>The meeting was a success - I suppose it is a matter of keeping the ongoing situation under review. As there are only 2 meetings per year and these are usually timed to fit in with WTO SPS meetings there is still a strong case for physical STDF WG meetings but we can't assume that these will always be possible so good to know we have a contingency which works well. Also maybe if STDF WG meetings were to run more than 2 days to deal with a particular item or topic maybe any extra half days etc. could be done remotely?</td>
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The biggest challenge may be the time zones which may restrict wider participation as it will inevitably be late night or the early hours of the morning for some if meetings are hosted during the day in Europe.