World Bank Global Leadership Forum "Putting Leadership and Coalitions at the Center of Development"



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Convened by the Global Partnership on Collaborative Leadership for Development (GPCL4D)

The Forum was the inaugural event of the newly formed Global Partnership on Collaborative Leadership for Development (GPCL4D) that puts Leadership and Coalitions at the centre of international development practices. The GPCL4D aims to move the collaborative leadership agenda forward by creating a sustainable partnership among like-minded practitioners committed to addressing the important role Leadership and Coalitions play in promoting development solutions. It is building on the important work



Dominic Stucker in discussion at the forum

begun in 2007 with Leadership Matters, in 2008 with the Leadership Roundtable, as well as the seminar on the Frontiers in Leading Change in 2015, which was jointly organized by the World Bank Group and GIZ, where leading thinkers and development professionals strongly supported the creation of a global partnership for this purpose.

The Forum gathered about 200 partners, leaders, and practitioners from government, private enterprise, civil society, foundations, and other international development actors working in areas of collaborative leadership. Participants generated knowledge, developed skills, strengthened partnerships, and

supported operational work to better attain the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The Forum featured a mix of plenary and interactive sessions, an exhibition area, and the launch of the Ed Campos Collaborative Leadership Awards.

Day 1 and most of Day 2 were either keynote presentations or plenary panels. On the second half of Day 2 Dominic Stucker, Senior Project Manager at the Collective Leadership Institute (CLI) led a working group discussion around the question, "How can we help governments, civil society, and entrepreneurs form effective coalitions for change?"

Finally, on Day 3, with a core of some 60 partners remaining, the next steps for the GPCL4D were discussed. Four working groups on Knowledge, Implementation, Partnership, and Leadership Capacity Development identified opportunities and two to three "stewards". Dominic became one of the three stewards for the Leadership Capacity Development theme.

The forum was an excellent networking opportunity and helped raise the profile of Collective Leadership Institute as

a pioneering organization that has been building collaboration capacity for SDG implementation with a



Dominic speaking at plenary panel

practice-based methodology for over a decade. Especially in the working sessions, important questions like "Why are coalitions important, how should they be formed, and what impacts can coalitions have?" were further explored and summarized for the whole forum.

In general, the forum brought together like-minded practitioners committed to addressing the important role of Leadership and Coalitions in promoting development solutions and hopefully the GPCL4D will have an impact on SDG 17 in the future.



Group photo at the World Bank Global Leadership Forum

Find more information about the event at: http://leadfordev.org/global-leadership-forum.



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