

PDF WORKING GROUPS	KEY ISSUES SUBMITTED
MDGs and Social Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustained focus on the MDGs less likely to be achieved, i.e. MDG 1 (Eradicating extreme poverty and hunger), 2 (Achieving universal primary education), 4 (Child mortality), 5 (Improving maternal health) and 6 (particularly combating HIV and AIDS). • Establishment of comprehensive, disaggregated measurement of performance toward achieving the MDGs and other programmes' objectives; • Mitigating the negative impact of the global economic crisis on poverty reduction through specific programmes and initiatives targeting the poorest.
Growth and Investment Climate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting the challenges of the financial crisis and the slowing economy • Addressing the constraints to investments in the Philippines • Promoting competitiveness through improved productivity and effective governance
Economic and Fiscal Reforms	DOF is lead convener of this group, so issues will come from DOF.
Governance and Anti-Corruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harmonization and integration of public financial management systems (looking at the possibility of harmonizing and integrating DBM, CoA and NEDA guidelines) • Addressing systemic constraints to service delivery which cut across the focus areas of: Anticorruption (Integrity Development Reviews); Procurement (Harmonization of Foreign Funded Procurement Guidelines); and Justice Reform (creation of a sub-working group or a separate working group in order to harmonize existing initiatives on justice reform)
Decentralization and Local Government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mitigating the impact of the global financial crisis and the slowing economy at the local level • Pursuing local governance and deepening decentralization to enhance growth and development at the local level
Mindanao	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-affirming the peace process - Coherent and consistent framework on peace, development and security integrating new approaches • Sustainable socio-economic development for conflict-affected and vulnerable communities -Targeted response to vulnerability (<i>Internally displaced persons and those impacted by the global financial crisis</i>) • Aid effectiveness - Strengthening collaborative mechanisms for achieving and measuring impact (<i>Knowledge management, Common Monitoring and Evaluation Framework</i>)
Sustainable Rural Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rationalizing Land Use Policies and Implementation in the Philippines • Responding to a Changing Climate
Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fast-Track Implementation of Strategic Infrastructure Projects • Improve Efficiency in the Provision of Infrastructure Facilities and Services through Strengthening of Policy/Regulatory Support and Institutional Capacity of Implementing Agencies. • Improve the Linkage between Planning, Budgeting, and Funding Processes