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[Info 1. Why this Bulletin?](#)

Several organisations, which are not or no longer represented in the Core Group of our Network, expressed the need to have more regular information on what is going on in the network. Of course we have our Website as main tool for information exchange, but we would like to offer you a more direct information about latest news via this e-mail based Bulletin. As you can see, it starts with a short summary of the content, followed by short messages. Where appropriate, these messages would contain links to our website for a more complete presentation of these points. The Core Group is also planning that the Bulletin archives would be stored and accessible on website for the record. Should you wish to include any news on your behalf, kindly contact Gérard Van Bilzen or Carolyn Baker.

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[Info 2. New Members](#)

During the Meeting of the Core Group on the 25th of June, we have accepted the request of International IDEA to become a Member of our network. Already at the end of the Annual Meeting in Washington, the new Core Group had accepted the request of the International Organisation for Migration. Both are already participating actively in the Workgroup on Effective Election Assistance.

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Info 3. Preparations Accra

For the moment the Core Group is concentrating its efforts to get our message across at the High Level Forum in Accra, on the Marketplace and Roundtable 3 on Harmonization. A text for a poster (3 x 4 feet, 93 x 124 cm) is being defined, which should be shown at this Marketplace, and later on included in a booklet showing the different posters. Furthermore our Brochure will be updated, and distributed actively to the participants. For Roundtable 3 we are also trying to get our poster included in the meeting room for this Roundtable.

On the other hand we want to call on all of you to make sure that a clear reference to our work, especially on joint training, is included in the briefings of the Delegations of your organisations, participating in this High Level Forum.

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Info 4. Distribution of Tasks Core group

During the first meeting of the new Core Group, the following tasks have been distributed:

- Coordination Open Courses: Kjersti Sommerset
- Information and Communication
(Including Accra and coordination for the Website):Carolyn Baker and Deena Philage
- Coordination Workgroups:Dominika Nowak

The website coordination mentioned above is different from the Webmaster's role played by Anna Bertelè. Carolyn and Deena will work from a communication policy point of view, to ensure a coherent approach to the content published in different parts of the website, but also in our other publications.

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Info 5. Creation new Subgroup Management for Development Results

On June 24 a successful kick-off meeting was organized at the GTZ Offices in Brussels, creating a new Subgroup on Management for Development Results.

Ten different Train4Dev members have expressed their active interest in this Subgroup, and during the meeting sufficient pledges (almost 500.000 Euro / \$780.000) were made to allow the subgroup to start its work. An Executive Committee was formed, and preparations for contracting will start soonest.

At that same occasion also an inventory was made for new contributions to the work of the [Subgroup Pro-Poor Growth](#). Here also sufficient pledges were made (more than 200.000 Euro / \$315.000), to allow for a next series of courses. The possibility exists to combine perhaps the 2 contracts. At this meeting there was also a representative of the DAC Network on Poverty Reduction, making sure that the cooperation in this area indeed is well assured.

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Info 6. New Core Group Meeting

The next meeting of the Core group will be held on September 17, in Turin, Italy at the premises of the United Nations Systems Staff College. We are inquiring whether any Subgroup could organise their meeting back-to-back with the Core Group meeting preferably on the 16th of September. The UNSSC would be happy to host also this event. If you have a positive reply to this suggestion, please contact Gérard Van Bilzen.

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