

**Haiti****Country Partnership Framework****Chair's Summary****September 29, 2015**

Executive Directors discussed the IBRD/IFC/MIGA Country Partnership Framework for the Republic of Haiti (IDA/R2015-0243[IFC/R2015-0236, MIGA/R2015-0076]) for the period FY16-FY19 (Report No. 98132-HT).

Directors supported the CPF's focus on increasing inclusive growth, investing in human capital, improving resilience, and strengthening governance and capacity, which will contribute to reducing poverty and shared prosperity. They welcomed the strategy's strong grounding in the analysis of the Haiti Systematic Country Diagnostic, which highlights the importance of strengthening Haiti's social contract and citizen engagement. Directors acknowledged the progress made in Haiti since the earthquake of 2010, particularly in reconstruction, but noted the need to address long-term structural problems faced by Haiti. Directors welcomed the shift in Government priorities from reconstruction toward long-term development and welcomed the CPF's long-term outlook at a time of political transition.

Directors stressed the need for authorities to continue to progress on reducing extreme poverty and foster inclusion, including through infrastructure, delivering services, reducing vulnerability, and strengthening governance. They underlined the need for continued strong collaboration with the IMF and other partners to raise Haiti's revenues, through domestic resource mobilization particularly as aid flows decline. They also recognized the continued need for international resources. They commented on the role the World Bank Group (WBG) can play in donor coordination while underscoring the need for effective government leadership, especially in revenue management. Directors encouraged further support to facilitate transfers of remittances and promote entrepreneurship initiatives to help alleviate poverty. They also commented on the need to address regional circumstances such as economic degradation.

Directors stressed the importance of the private sector, particularly with regard to job creation in the formal and informal sectors and the promotion of growth outside of the capital. They commented on the urgent need to develop and reform the electricity sector. They welcomed IFC's substantial investment program and encouraged continued WBG collaboration to catalyze private investment. Directors noted the valuable role that MIGA can play in inclusive growth through localization with donor funding.

Directors appreciated the diagnostics provided on sustainability and encouraged continued analytical support as part of the WBG engagement under the CPF. They noted the central importance of efforts to expand limited government capacity and to foster government ownership for sustainable results. Directors emphasized the importance of building resilience, including capacity to manage disaster risks.

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