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### UNECE Communication to Multiplier Points

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UNESCAP - Pro-Poor Public-Private Partnerships	25.01.2005	International legal and commercial practice	- UNESCAP Resource Faculty Brochure - PPP Concept paper

Dear Multiplier Point Representatives,

On behalf of my colleagues from the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), I am pleased to inform you about the UNESCAP Pro-Poor Public-Private Partnership, which aims to strengthen the capacity of countries in the region to develop public-private partnerships in the delivery of public services to the poor.

You will find a brief description of this project below and in the attached brochure and concept paper. For more information, please visit <http://www.unescap.org/5p/resourcefacility/>

If your organization and/or your partners are interested in taking part in this project, I will be delighted to refer you to the contact person in UNESCAP,

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## UNESCAP Pro-Poor Public-Private Partnership Project

The United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) is implementing a project that aims to strengthen the capacity of countries in the region to develop public-private partnerships in the delivery of public services to the poor.

The Pro-Poor Public-Private Partnership project is being implemented along three major tracks:

- Documentation and transfer of innovative public-private partnerships (PPP) practices on the delivery of basic services to the poor
- Capacity-building of PPP facilitation units at the national level to ensure the provision of basic services to the poor
- Implementation of country-level demonstration projects on provision of basic services to the poor, focusing on access to water, energy, health services and conserving biodiversity.

As part of this project, UNESCAP has developed an Internet-based “Regional Resource Facility on Pro-poor Public-Private Partnerships”. This facility will promote acquisition and transfer of knowledge through a network of organizations around Asia and the Pacific. These will on the one hand collect information about innovative practices and upload it on the resource facility, and on the other hand use the information in the resource facility for information dissemination, training programmes and advisory services in their countries. The beneficiaries of these activities will be sub-national and local governments, private sector corporations and in certain cases, non-governmental or civil society organizations.

The Facility will achieve the above objective through:

1. Proactively identifying innovative practices by undertaking rapid appraisal based on criteria and documentation formats designed by UNESCAP
2. Preparing detailed documentation and analysis on each practice based on guidelines and documentation formats prepared by UNESCAP to assist its clients in determining applicability of a particular practice in their context.
3. Preparing Executive Summaries on each practice to raise awareness and provide a quick understanding of the practice.
4. Verifying accuracy of information on practices by visiting selected practices
5. Promoting interactive and face-to-face exchanges by:
  - i. Maintaining, updating and expanding a database of contact details on the documenters and initiators of the practices, experts and institutes that could provide technical assistance in related fields and organizations/networks that could provide financial assistance for study visits and advisory services for replicating/adapting the practice.
  - ii. Organizing and implementing study visits to and advisory services from selected practices
6. Building capacities by:
  - i. Designing and implementing self-study Internet-based distance learning training courses based on the documented practices as well as lessons learnt

- ii. Designing and implementing or catalyzing the organization of Internet-based time-bound interactive and facilitated distance learning training workshops/courses.
- iii. Providing information by maintaining, updating and expanding a database of available training workshops, seminars, courses etc. related to pro-poor public-private partnerships