

**Chair's Aide Mémoire - Third Meeting of the Conference Committee
for IEE Follow-up (CoC-IEE) –Wednesday 30 April 2008**
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Discussion of Progress

- 1) Members were generally satisfied with the progress to date. There had been a positive and constructive atmosphere in the Working Groups. There now needed to be an acceleration in moving towards decision making, recognising that no decisions on proposals to the special session of the Conference would be final until their full discussion in the Conference Committee for IEE Follow-up (CoC-IEE). Management had an important proactive role to play in advancing work in several key areas.
- 2) The Committee looked forward to a fuller discussion of the substance of progress to-date when it considered the written Chair's Progress Report at its meeting on the 15 May. The following specific points were made:
 - a) **Chair's aide mémoires:** Members noted the usefulness of the aide mémoires as a recall of discussion while restating that they were not decision making documents. Members were encouraged to provide any disagreements or additions they had to aide mémoires at a subsequent meeting and they would be recorded in the aide mémoire for that meeting, as had been done previously in some of the Working Groups;
 - b) **Reference of issues to the Programme and Finance Committees:** It was confirmed by the Chairs of the Programme and Finance Committees, that the two Committees would be flexibly available to provide advice to the CoC-IEE itself, or through the Council to the Conference, if considered appropriate by the CoC-IEE; and
 - c) **Check List of Progress by the Working Groups in addressing the IEE Recommendations:** It was agreed that such a check list would be prepared.
- 3) With regard to overall progress in drafting the Immediate Action Plan, a proposal was made by the European Union to accelerate this and develop a financing plan. It was agreed that this could be discussed further, including in the Bureau.