



**Workshop on Local Government in Post-Conflict Situations:
Challenges for Improving Local Decision Making and
Service Delivery Capacities**

**ANNEX 19: Strengthening UNDP and National Engagement in Local Government in
Post-Conflict. Group of National Counterparts. Conclusions.**

**Oslo, Norway
28-29 November 2007**

January 2008

**Bureau for Development Policy
Democratic Governance Group
Oslo Governance Centre**

Challenges and Obstacle in Engaging with UNDP Programme Support:

1. Resource mobilization
2. Coordination of support and assistance
3. Relationship
4. Capacity development

Resource Mobilization

1. Limited resources available to UNDP
2. Resources spread very thinly (need to better targeted and concentrated)
3. Bureaucratic bottlenecks
4. Flexibility + efficiency for early results
5. Demand driven not service driven

Coordination of Support and Assistance

1. UNDP to assist and facilitate govt in coordinating overall support from development partners
2. Need to consider if assistance should be targeted at local or national level
3. Performance assessments (who assesses the performance? who measures output and impact?)
4. Being pragmatic when delivering, but building on UN principles

Relationship

1. The role of individual (e.g., UNDP country director)
2. Building trust among stakeholders should be a key focus area
3. UNDP and national govt not synchronized
4. All support provided by UNDP should be nationally-led