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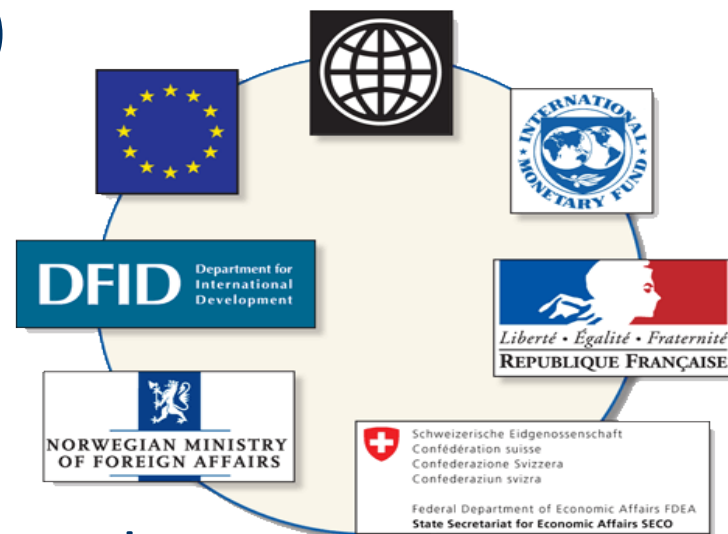
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Aim: contribute to development effectiveness via the ‘**Strengthened Approach**’ to support PFM Reform (*country-led; harmonized PFM analytical work; common data pool*)

The Performance Measurement Framework

- the PEFA Framework (*Blue Book*) ‘flagship’ of the PEFA Program launched by 7 Partners in June 2005



- Applicable to countries with different traditions, & at different stages of development

Strengthened Approach to PFM Reform

- A **country-led PFM reform program**, including a strategy & action plan reflecting country priorities; implemented through government structures
- A **donor coordinated** program of support, covering analytical, technical & financial support
- A **common information pool**, based on a framework for measuring performance & monitoring results over time i.e. the PFM Performance Measurement Framework

Purpose of the PEFA Framework

The Framework **provides**:

- a high level overview of all aspects of a country's PFM systems performance (revenue, expenditure, financial assets/liabilities, procurement, controls): are tools in place to deliver budgetary outcomes (*aggregate fiscal discipline; strategic resource allocation; efficient service delivery*)?

It does **not provide** an assessment of:

- underlying causes for good or poor performance i.e. capacity factors
- government fiscal & financial policies

What can countries use PEFA for?

- Inform PFM reform formulation, priorities
- Monitor results of reform efforts
- Harmonize information needs for external agencies around a common assessment tool
- Compare to and learn from peers

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Adoption of the PEFA Framework

Very good progress – globally

- 360+ assessments, covering 140+ countries
- Since 2010, mostly Repeat & Sub-National assessments

High country coverage in many regions

- Africa and Caribbean 90% of countries
- Latin America, Eastern Europe, Asia Pacific 50-80%

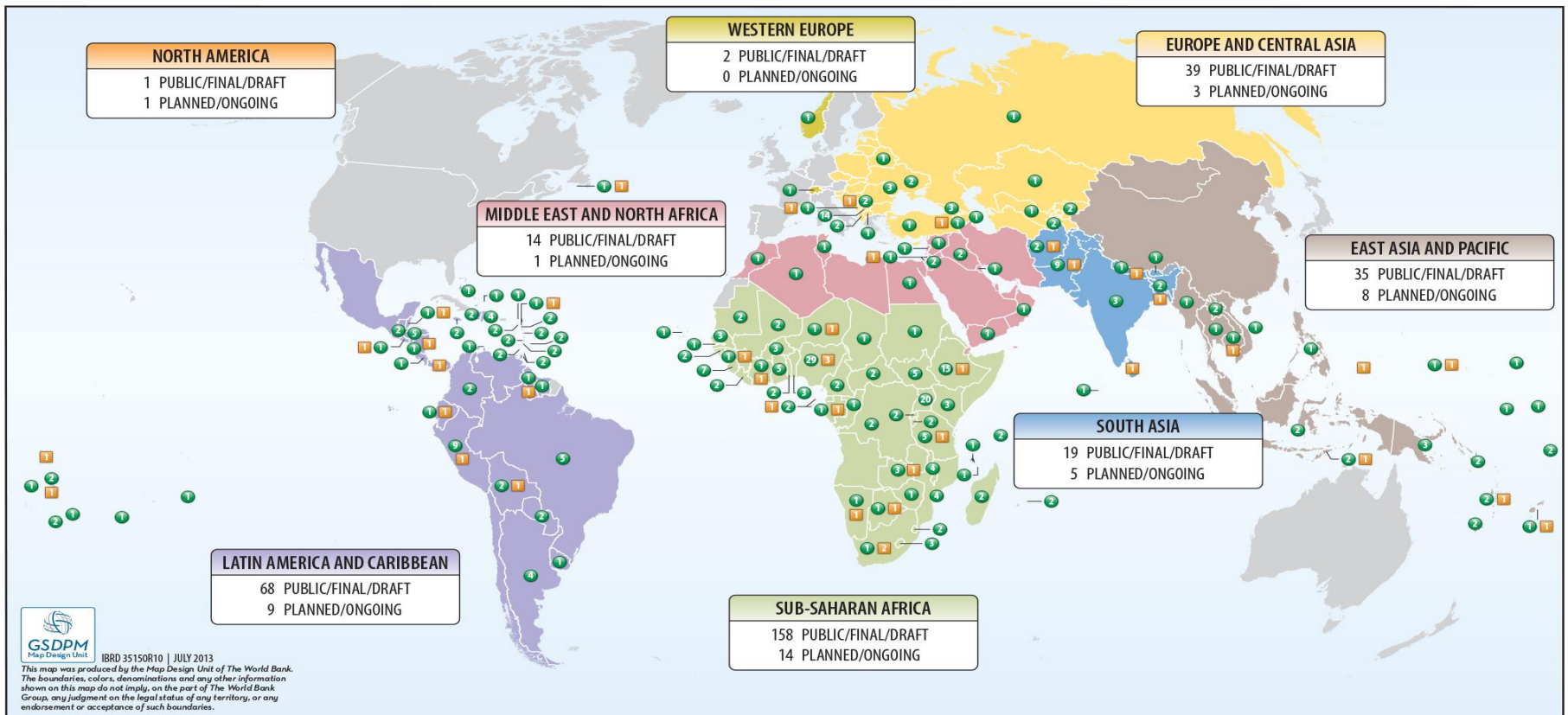
Used in many Middle Income countries

- Upper MICS: e.g. Brazil, Turkey, Belarus, South Africa
- Lower MICS: e.g. India, Kazakhstan, Ukraine, Morocco

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PFM ASSESSMENTS BASED ON THE PEFA FRAMEWORK STATUS APRIL 16, 2013

● 336 DRAFT/FINAL/PUBLIC
■ 41 PLANNED/ONGOING



Stakeholder Involvement

Government leadership/self-assessment

- Active government participation in assessment is key to the use in reform policy dialogue
- Increasing frequency of self-assessment with expert assistance & external validation – but still a minority, as full self-assessment is burden on government

Development Agencies

- About 25 development banks & donor agencies involved (leading, financing or in reference group)
- World Bank & EU have led 85% of all assessments
- Increased frequency of partner inclusiveness

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Neutral body:

- supporting / advising any user of the Framework
- does not represent a particular interest
- does not undertake or finance assessments
- support services are free of charge

PEFA Secretariat Quality Review

- On request, free of charge, rapid feedback (10 days) for CNs/ToRs & Assessment Reports
- Issues **“PEFACheck”** – process certification
- Appraises adequacy of background info & application of indicators: correctly interpreted, sufficient evidence, correct scoring method?
- Considers whether Summary Assessment brings out clear message, consistent with indicator analysis
- Follow-up review – evaluates responses

Secretariat support services & tools

Support to managers on request:

- Advice / Video-conference briefings to country teams on assessment planning
- List of consultants with PEFA assessment experience
- Review of terms of reference
- Quality reviews of draft reports

Support tools on the website:

- Framework in 12 languages
- Calculation spreadsheets for indicators PI-1, PI-2 & D-1
- Clarifications, Guidance Notes & Training materials

Support to assessors on request (interpretation)

Thank you for your attention