

From left to right, Torgny Svenungsson, EU Coordinator of Sida, Anna Terrón Cusí, CEO of FIIAPP, Tomáš Bokor, Director General of SlovakAid, Jérémie Pellet, CEO of Expertise France, Elke Kaschl Mohni, Regional Director Southwest Europe and Delegate for European Affairs of Goethe Institut, Lidija Kašubienė, CEO of CPMA, Simon O'Connell, CEO of SNV, Tanja Gönner, Chair of the Management Board of GIZ, Gaston Schwartz, CEO of LuxDev, Félix Fernández-Shaw, Director International Cooperation and Development Policy DG INTPA European Commission, Jean Van Wetter, CEO of Enabel, Friedrich Stift, Managing Director of ADA, Rémy Rioux, CEO of AFD, Hans Meusen, Director Strategic Partnerships of the British Council, Jan Slíva, CEO of CzechAid.

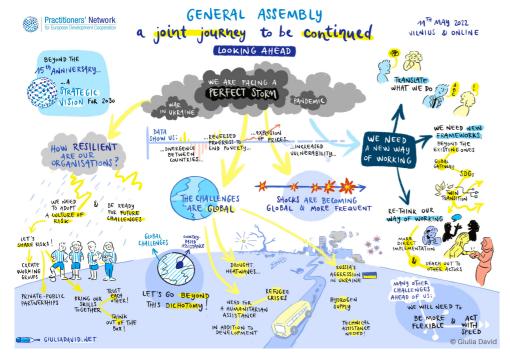


Ukrainian singer Elizaveta Izmalkova, performed two touching Ukrainian songs during the ceremony

On the occasion of the 15th AMGA held in Vilnius, at the Palace of the Grand Dukes of Lithuania, organised under the CPMA-GIZ co-Presidency, the Members of the Practitioners' Network (PN) celebrated the 15th anniversary of the network looking back at the highlights of their contributions, experiences, added value, challenges and learnings, but also looking ahead at the future challenges and opportunities in European and Development Cooperation and the role of the PN until 2030.

The CEOs discussion recognised the PN as a valuable platform for dialogue with the European Commission and among Members, with an inclusive approach, open to new Members, and effective in strengthening coordination. Looking ahead, it is agreed that the recovery from the pandemic and the Russian war against Ukraine requires the capacity to resist to shocks, to work even closer together, to be open, flexible, and resilient since the world faces more pressing interconnected global challenges. PN Members agree in sharing the work in a co-creation spirit, fostering complementarity and synergies.





Graphic Recording of the AMGA

CO-PRESIDENCY HANDOVER

During the ceremony CPMA and GIZ handed over the Presidency of the network for the year to come to FIIAPP and SNV. The incoming Presidency shared with all Members the priorities for the period 2022-2023. The work plan proposal is guided by inclusiveness, policy first principle and partner countries' involvement. It foresees sticking to the endorsed PN 2030 Strategic Vision, focusing on the practical aspect of the "how-to", reinforcing policy dialogue with EU partnership and guiding the development effectiveness with a deeper focus on Team Europe, Team Europe Initiatives, EU architecture development and the Global Gateway and strengthening strategic dialogue among CEOs.



From left to right, Tanja Gönner, Chair of the Management Board of GIZ, Lidija Kašubienė, CEO of CPMA, Simon O'Connell, CEO of SNV and Anna Terrón Cusí, CEO of FIIAPP

ACHIEVEMENTS

The 2021-2022 Presidency of CPMA and GIZ succeeded in endorsing relevant declarations and action plans such as the Strategic Vision PN2030, "Declaration on the importance maximising European Public Sector Expertise potential of the Practitioners' Network", and the "Joint statement on the coordination European Development and Finance Institutions on the African Continent". Furthermore, CPMA and GIZ organised two CEO meetings, an Inclusiveness coordinated the PN participation in the EDDs and ensured the PN's participation in high-level outreach actitivities such as the Finance in Common Summit. Further achievements entail the amendment of membership criteria in the PN Charter, a new Working Group structure, as well as the preparation of several internal guiding documents. Finally, the network continued reinforcing its internal communication and external visibility efforts by developing and following a Communication Action Plan or launching a study on internal communication and inclusiveness.

Troika 2022-2023:

CPMA-GIZ, Expertise France, FIIAPP-SNV

Steering Committee 2021-2022:

ADA, CPMA-GIZ, Enabel, Expertise France, FIIAPP-SNV, Sida

Presidency 2023-2024: Expertise France

