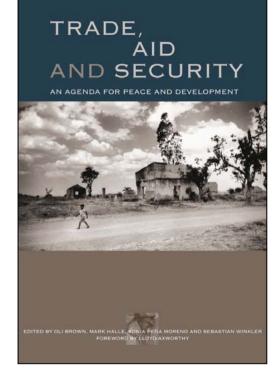


# TRADE, AID and SECURITY

an agenda for peace and development



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## policy objective 1:

### DESIGNING CONFLICT-SENSITIVE TRADE POLICY

• Reduce market access barriers, subsidies and tariff escalation that prevent diversification

 Refrain from negotiating bilateral or regional trading agreements that go beyond multilaterally agreed trade liberalization

 Provide more capacity building ('aid for trade') to help countries benefit from and adapt to trade openness



# policy objective 2:

### **DEVELOPING CONFLICT-SENSITIVE AID**

- Recognize links between aid and conflict; mainstreaming conflict prevention into development aid, ensuring coordination with peacekeeping forces, etc.
- Pay closer attention to the 'resource curse', harmonizing aid policies with policies on governance
- Develop funding mechanisms to secure predictable funding and protect from price shocks
- Break the link between short-term strategic interests and foreign aid
- Increase transparency of aid payments, put in domestic checks and balances



## policy objective 3:

### PROMOTING 'GOOD' GOVERNANCE

- Consider impact of existing policies on governance
- Carefully assess the likely impacts of governance interventions
- Build on existing reforms, align with domestic priorities
- Be patient, consistent and realistic
- Design trade and aid agreements that provide real incentives



## policy objective 4:

### RESTRICTING TRADE IN 'CONFLICT RESOURCES'

- Definition of conflict resources at the Security Council
- Establish professional capacity in the Security Council to advise on sanction regimes
- Strengthen existing licensing systems
- Improve natural resource management in peacekeeping missions where natural resources have led to conflict
- Ensure public procurement policies exclude illegal/ conflict resources
- 'Sin bins' on access to government procurement for companies proven to trade in conflict resources

## policy objective 5:

### FOSTERING RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS PRACTICE

 Establish international norms for rights, responsibilities and liabilities of companies

• Develop robust criminal and legal mechanisms for companies in violation of IHL

• Increase resources for investigation of corrupt practices

• Implement complementary public policies that reward best practice



## policy objective 6:

### MANAGING REVENUES FROM NATURAL RESOURCES AND AID

• Strengthen EITI and IMF Guide on Resource Revenue Transparency – an International Extractive Sector Transparency Agreement

• Create effective revenue management mechanisms



 Reinvigorated the debate on income stabilization mechanisms



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