

Rethinking Stakeholder Engagement through an Accountability Lens

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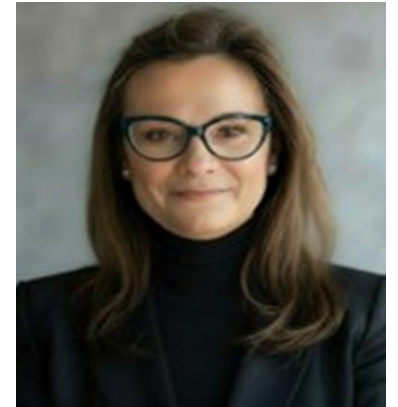
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What is an Independent Accountability Mechanism (IAMs) of a DFI?

❖ Nexus between IAMs and the parent DFI:

- ❑ Most multilateral and bilateral DFIs have their own IAMs for institutional accountability towards social and environmental risk management.
- ❑ IAMs operate within institutional mandates and provide avenue for project affected people to lodge complaints for E&S harms caused by projects financed by the respective DFIs.
- ❑ IAMs provide institutional learning, and in some cases policy enhancements.
- ❑ IAMs serve as key accountability pathways in the context of DFIs privileges and immunities.



Three Functions of Accountability

Dispute Resolution

Through its Dispute Resolution function, the IAM works to resolve complaints through neutral, collaborative, problem-solving approaches aiming at consensual solutions.



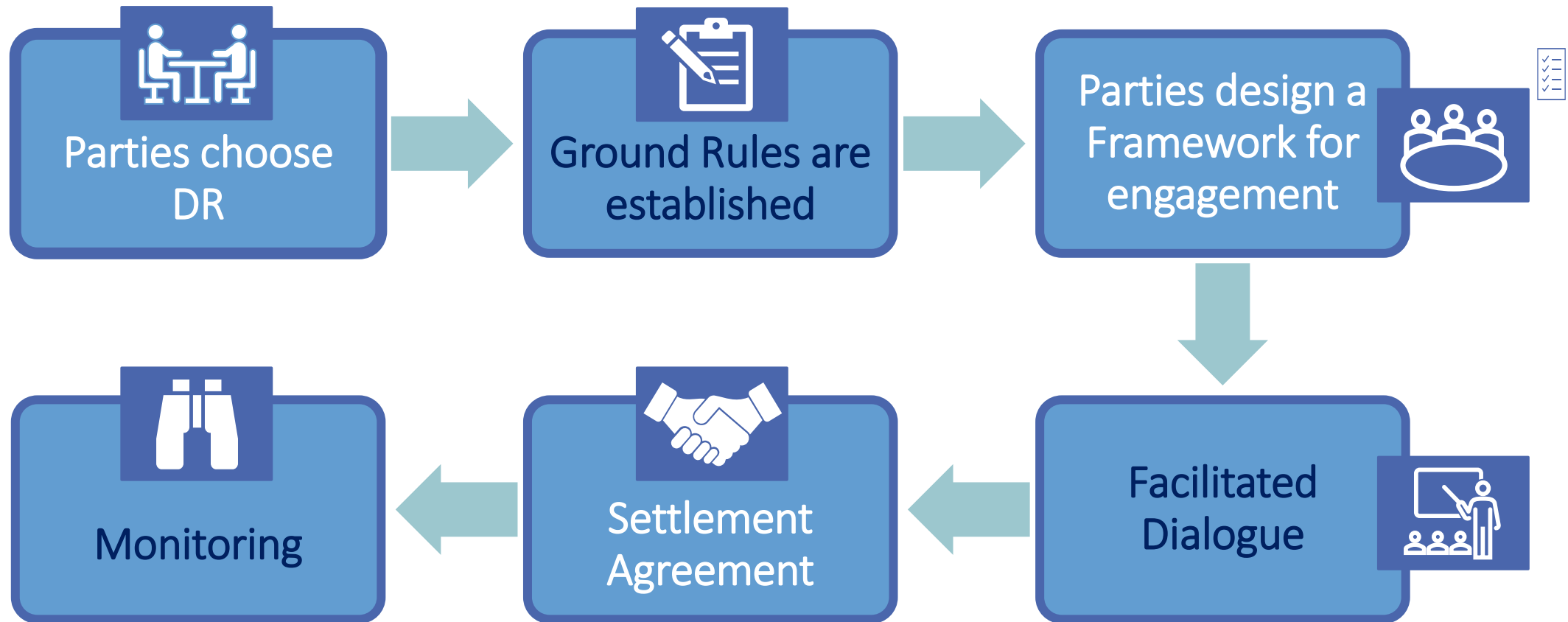
Compliance

Through its Compliance function, the IAMs reviews the MDBs compliance with their own environmental and social policies, assesses related harm and in some cases provide recommendations.

Advisory

Through its Advisory function, the IAMs gathers insights from **dispute resolution**, **compliance** cases and Good International Practice, where applicable IP to catalyze learning and help enhance the MDBs performance on environmental and social issues.

Dispute Resolution Function Overview



Compliance Function Overview



COMPLIANCE APPRAISAL

Preliminary analysis to determine whether the complaint meets the accountability policy criteria and merits an investigation. A compliance appraisal of a complaint does not imply a finding of harm or non-compliance.



COMPLIANCE INVESTIGATION

If an investigation is warranted, this is conducted through the collection and evaluation of evidence to assess DFIs' compliance with its E&S policies and any link between non-compliance and harm.



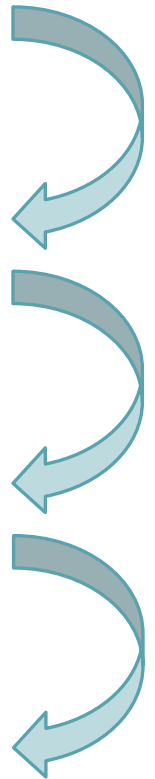
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REMEDY

If non-compliance is found, remedial recommendations at the project and/or systemic level might be suggested.



MONITORING

When mandated, compliance monitoring ensures remedial actions are implemented effectively by the DFI, tracking progress and outcomes.



Advisory Function Overview



- Advisory proactively identifies patterns and trends concerning E&S issues relevant for the DFI. This is based on analysis of complaints and good industry practices as opposed to reactive nature of compliance and DR functions.
- Helps prevent harm by highlighting learning lessons, identifying emerging risks and suggesting pathways for effective E&S risk management.
- Delivers strategic advice to management and Boards through reports, workshops, toolkits, and learning sessions to improve sustainability performance, as mandated by the policy.



Chirunti: ABC Pipeline- 01

- The ABC oil and gas pipeline is a 1,094 km long crude oil pipeline stretching from Chirunti coastline to the capital city.
- In 2021 both IFC and IBRD invested \$300 million each.
- Complaint filed on behalf of northern communities and Bagli Indigenous Peoples that wish to remain anonymous.



Issues raised in Complaint

No E&S information about the pipeline has been shared

Increased HIV seroprevalence

Rise of prostitution

Environmental destruction of the Foofo reef

Loss of livelihood for fishers

Communities opposed to the project were provided with poor water quality

Lack of consultation with Indigenous Peoples and inadequate compensation for livelihood restoration

SE Challenges IAMs face*



POOR/ LACK OF
COMMUNICATION



UNDER
REPRESENTATION



LACK
OF/UNACCESSIBLE
INFORMATION



TECHNICAL
LANGUAGE



LACK OF TRUST



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