New policy will seek to reinforce the foundations of a **peaceful, stable and prosperous Indo-Pacific.**

Focus areas:

- Building effective, accountable states
- Enhancing state and community resilience
- Connecting partners with Australia and regional architecture
- Generating collective action on global challenges

New policy will:

- Be **whole-of-government**
- Consider **priorities**
- Outline the use of **ODA** and **non-ODA**
- Consider Australia’s **national strengths**
- Set out **delivery, performance and accountability systems**
Shifts in economic and political power are creating an uncertain future – marked by disrupted global trade, geopolitical tensions and potential conflict.

COVID-19 will have lasting social, economic and health impacts – with setbacks in poverty reduction, gender equality, education & achieving the SDGs.

Demand for humanitarian assistance is growing. Around 274 million people need emergency help in 2022.

Our region is on the frontline of climate change. More than 130 million people could be pushed into poverty over the next decade.

‘Over the coming months, we are designing a new development policy, outlining how we will play our part in a world in an era of crisis.’

~ Foreign Minister Penny Wong at UNGA, September 2022
Australia’s ODA is increasing – but there are competing calls on our resources

2022-23 ODA BUDGET

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A principled approach – drawing on Australia’s strengths

Building stronger partnerships in our region, founded on mutual trust and respect, shared values of fairness and equality.

Listening to and working with our regional partners.

Leveraging our institutions, cultures, expertise, economy and regional ties.

Ambitious climate action, poverty reduction, human rights, gender equality, disability and social inclusion.

Guided by a First Nations approach to foreign policy.

Working together to maximise impact with multilateral institutions, civil society, the private sector and other donors.

Committed to quality, accountability and transparency.
Consultation and thematic issues

Consultation is critical to developing the new policy

Seeking views from a wide range of stakeholders

Committed to listening to our regional partners

Consider carefully how to address thematic issues

An External Advisory Group will provide contestability

‘It’s vital that we hear from as many experts and partners as possible.’

~ Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Pat Conroy, at ACFID conference, October 2022
# An updated performance and delivery system

## Current Performance and Delivery System

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Indicative timeline for policy process

Minister Wong announces new development policy at UN General Assembly 23 September

Consultations on the new policy

Establishment of the External Advisory Group (EAG)

Synthesis and drafting

Finalisation

Release policy in first half of 2023

Ministers Wong and Conroy issue joint media release inviting public submissions 14 October

DFAT releases Terms of Reference and calls for submissions for the new policy 14 October

Minister Conroy speech to ACFID 27 October

Minister Conroy speech to Australasian Aid Conference 29 November

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Establishment of the External Advisory Group (EAG)
DFAT is eager to **hear your perspectives**. We propose four guiding questions for today:

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