



Australian Government

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

AUSTRALIA'S NEW INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT POLICY



Key parameters for the new International Development Policy

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**



Our region is grappling with intense, overlapping crises



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.



Shifts in **economic** and **political power** are creating an uncertain future – marked by disrupted global trade, geopolitical tensions and potential conflict.



*‘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

+ ADDITIONAL
\$1.4 BILLION ODA
OVER 4 YEARS

\$900 MILLION

Pacific

\$470 MILLION

Southeast Asia

\$30 MILLION

ANCP

2022-23 ODA BUDGET

\$4.65 Billion Total ODA

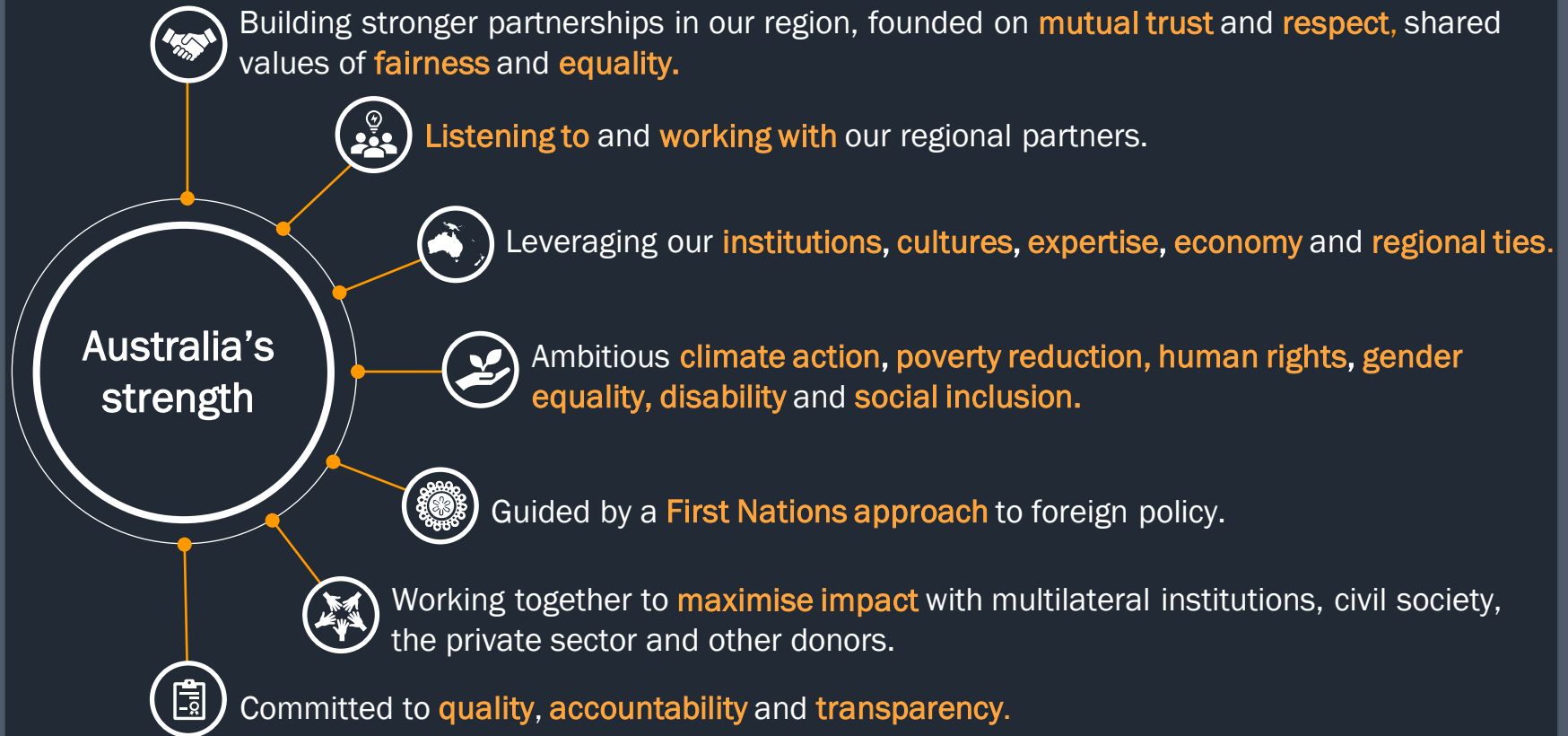
\$383.2 million
for South/West Asia

\$1.2 billion
for Southeast Asia

\$987.8 million
for global and other

\$1.9 billion
for the Pacific

A principled approach – drawing on Australia's strengths



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

What performance type?

WHOLE OF PROGRAM

What is performance measured against?

Indo-Pacific development context
Australia's contribution to development
Organisational effectiveness and efficiency

How is performance reported?

Annual Ministerial Statement
DFAT's Annual Report

PROGRAMS

Country and Regional
Global

COVID-19 Development Response Plans
Strategic partnerships with multilaterals

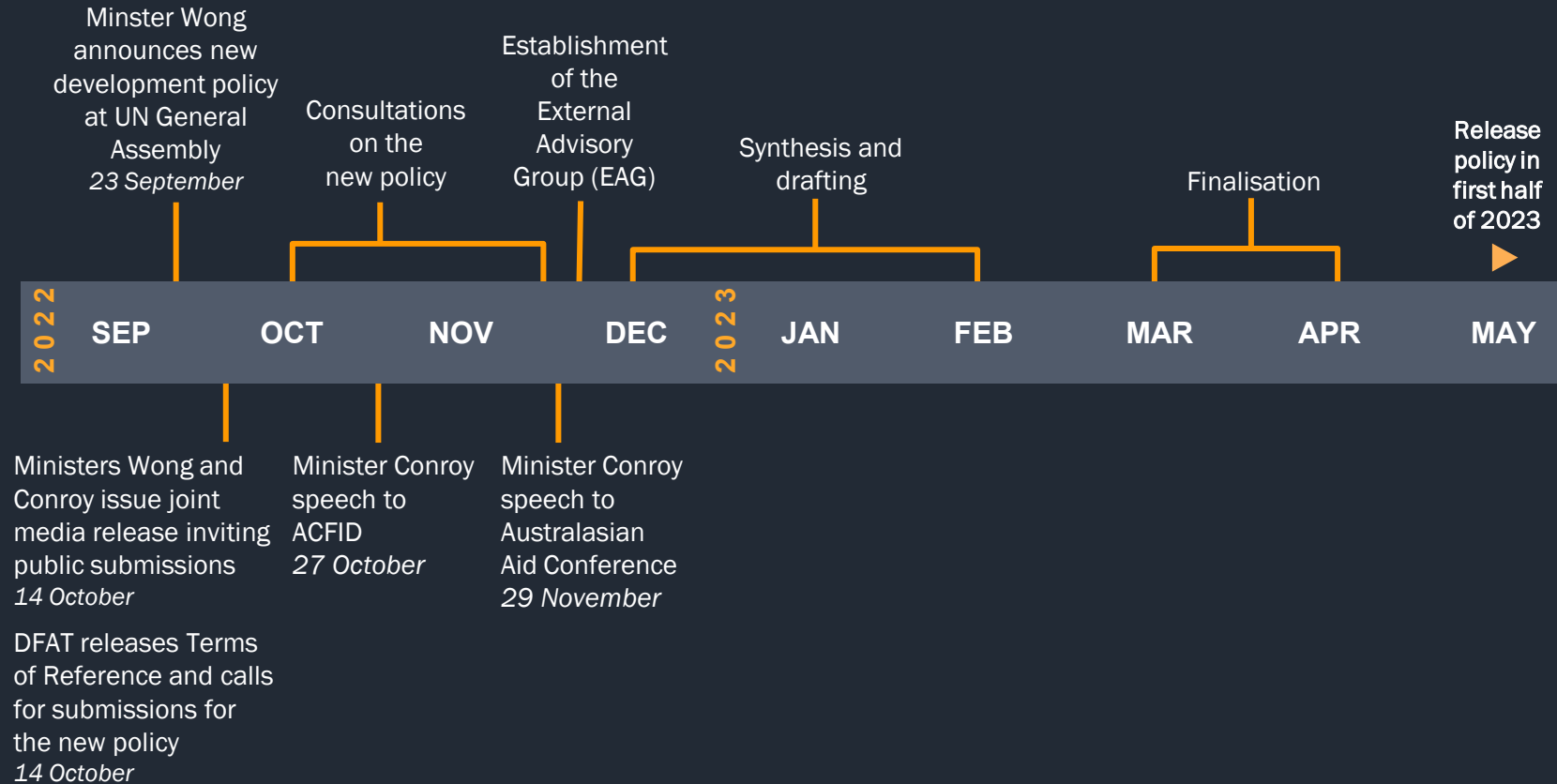
Country/Regional Progress Reports
Multilateral Performance Reports

INDIVIDUAL INVESTMENTS

Investment M&E Frameworks
Partnership Performance

Annual Investment Monitoring Reports
Independent Evaluations
Annual Partner Assessments

Indicative timeline for policy process



Discussion Questions

DFAT is eager to **hear your perspectives**. We propose four guiding questions for today:

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