



Result-Based Financing in Conflict-Affected States

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Overview

- Challenges posed by conflict-affected states
- Results-based financing and the conflict cycle
- Defining “results” in conflict-affected states
- Important research questions



Challenges posed by CAS

- In recent decades we notice:
 - High rates of aid dependency
 - Macro gains vs micro losses
 - Parallel delivery/monitoring arrangements weakening governance and undermining broad-based economic development
- Specific issues with CAS
 - Peace accords memorialize compromise so much more flexibility is required.
 - Relative importance of non-state actors so interventions should be more targeted.



RBF and the Conflict Cycle

- CAS require aid at all stages of the conflict cycle
 - PREVENTION
 - MEDIATION
 - RECONSTRUCTION
- **The question is whether results-based financing is appropriate and effect at every stage**



Defining “Results” in CAS

1. Inter-linked objectives (examining the ‘peace imperative’)
2. Constrained timeframes (immediacy and expectations)
3. Starting from zero (limited capacity and base lines)



Benefits for CAS??

- Focus on institutional strengthening
- Increasing country ownership
- Supporting transitions (at all stages of conflict)
- Prioritizing results



Some research questions

- How do we prioritize peacebuilding above program/project metrics?
- How do we define “results” in CAS?
- Does the conflict cycle hold clues about the applicability of RBF in CAS?
- How do we define a viable and sustainable exit strategy from aid?



Questions? Comments?

