



Africa All Party Parliamentary Group

Annual Report

2011-2012

Chair's Introduction

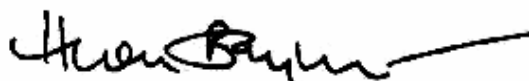
The Africa APPG has continued to hold regular meetings over the past year on topics including the Arab Spring, the role of China in Africa, and developments in the Horn of Africa. We have had the honour of hosting a whole range of high profile speakers, including President Mahamadou Issoufou of Niger, Dr Mohammed Omar, Somaliland's Foreign Minister, Baroness Valerie Amos Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator and Ms Wang Yuan, the Chief Economist of the China Development Bank.

In January 9 MPs and Peers visited Brussels with the APPG to investigate the relationship between the EU and Africa. We met MEPs and African Ambassadors at the European Parliament, Cabinet Members at the European Commission, and senior members of the External Action Service and FCO and European External Action Service representatives at the UK Permanent Representation to the EU. The report of the visit included a number of key questions for future work.

We published a report on the Bilateral Aid Review entitled *DFID's Aid Priorities and Africa* at the beginning of the year, and are pleased to support the APPG on Global Health in a report on *the changing roles and skill mix of health workers globally, with particular reference to Sub-Saharan Africa and the UK*, which will be launched before summer recess. Both these reports and the responses to each from the Secretary of State for International Development are available on our website. The Group is currently working on an update to our 2010 security report, which was submitted to the Strategic Defence and Security Review, which will take the form of a collection of essays by leading experts in the field, discussing some of the key issues and their implications for UK policy.

The APPG has been working closely with the Royal African Society's Diaspora programme, Africa-UK, which aims to engage the African Diaspora with policy-makers. I look forward to continuing to work together over the next year.

The work of the Africa APPG could not be carried out without the support of the Executive Committee, and in particular the Officers, and I would like to thank them for their time, ideas and enthusiasm over the past year. Thanks must also go to the Royal African Society, who provide valued advice, as well as the administration of the Group. Finally, many thanks to our Members: parliamentarians with interests in Africa who become involved in our activities, and without whom the Group could not exist.



Hugh Bayley MP
Chair, Africa APPG

26th June 2011

Officers and Executive 2011-2012

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Baroness Kinnock of Holyhead

Rt. Hon. Alun Michael MP

Pamela Nash MP

Mark Pritchard MP

Earl of Sandwich

Lord St John of Bletso

Membership and Participation

Membership of the Africa APPG has increased over the year to 106 Members across the House of Commons and the House of Lords (see Figure 1 for details).

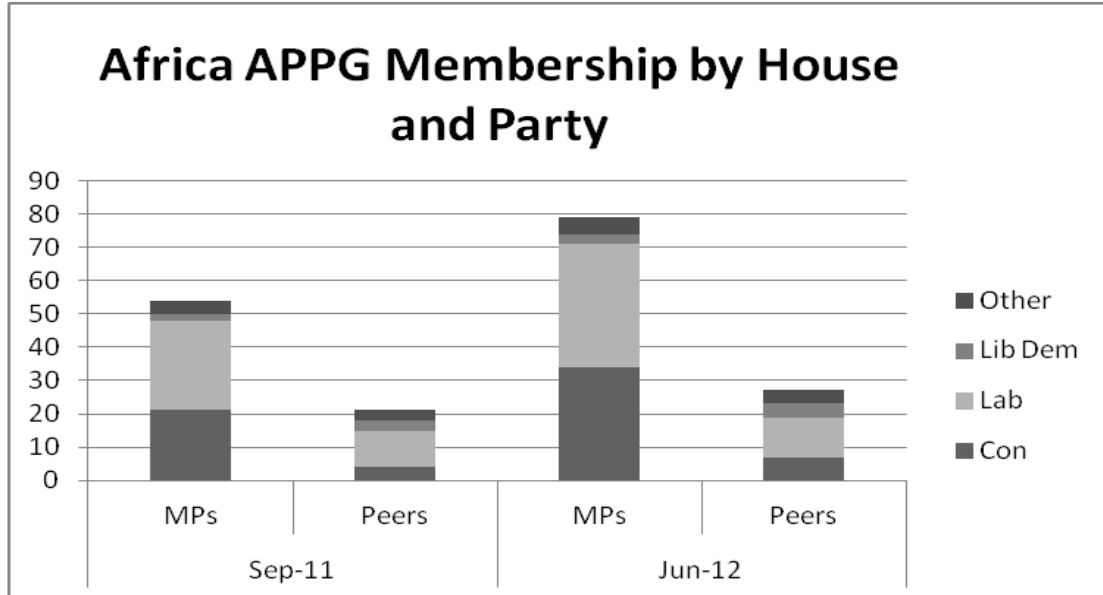


Figure 1: Africa APPG Membership by House and Party

The breakdown in participants in Africa APPG activities can be seen in Figures 2a and b.

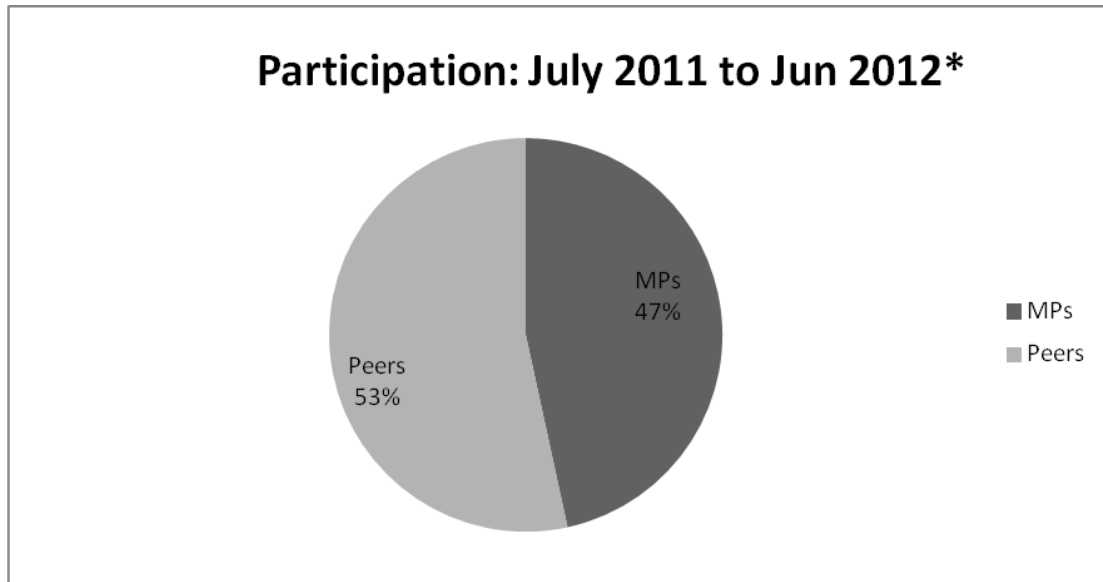
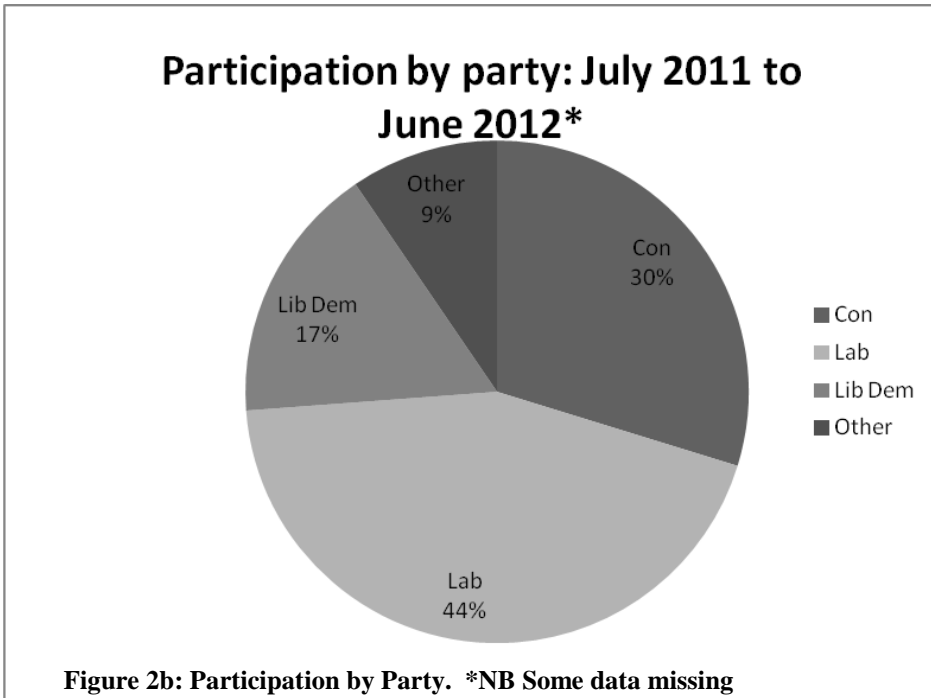
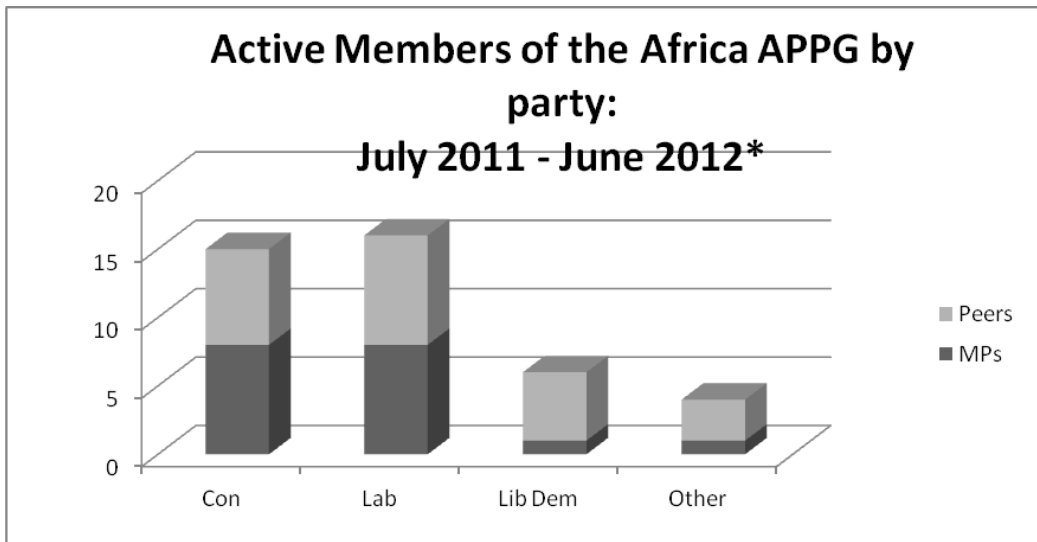


Figure 2a: Participation by House. *NB Some data missing



41¹ individual Parliamentarians have participated in APPG activities over the year (see Figure 3).



Reports and Visits

Reports:

02.01.2012: DFID's Aid Priorities and Africa

A report on the bilateral aid review

11.07.2012: The changing roles and skill mix of health workers globally, with particular reference to Sub-Saharan Africa and the UK

A report on skills mixing in the health sector, in collaboration with the APPG on Global Health

Visits:

31.01.2012: Visit to Brussels

Programme:

European Parliament

10:45 – 11:30

Technical Meeting with Development Committee Secretariat and Africa Unit.

Attended by:

Anne McLauchlan - Head of the Secretariat of the Development Committee

Guido Van Hecken - Senior Administrator at the Secretariat of the Development Committee

11:30 – 12:30

Roundtable with MEPS (cross-party and international), hosted by **Michael Cashman MEP**, **Nirj Deva MEP** and **Catherine Bearder MEP**.

Attended by:

Michael Cashman MEP (DEVE Committee, Petitions Committee)

Nirj Deva MEP (VP of the DEVE Committee)

Catherine Bearder MEP (Member of the EU-ACP Joint Parliamentary Assembly)

Miguel Angel Martinez MEP (VP of the European Parliament, Member of the DEVE Committee and ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly)

Norbert Neuser MEP (Coordinator of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly)

Bill Newton-Dunn MEP (DEVE Committee)

12:30 – 2:00

Lunch Meeting with African Ambassadors in European Parliament.

Attended by:

Ambassador Usman Baraya, Embassy of Nigeria

Ambassador Mamour A. Jagne of the Gambia

Ambassador Dr. Brave Ndisale of the Republic of Malawi,

Ambassador Mr. Kembi-Gitura, Embassy of Kenya

Dr. Badr Abdelatty, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Egypt

Ms Nolundi Dikweni, Minister Plenipotentiary at the South African Embassy South African Embassy

UKrep

2:15 – 2:45

Briefing on UK priorities for EU-Africa relations by **UK Political and Security**

Ambassador Julian Braithwaite.

Attended by:

Dougie Brew, Head of Development, Humanitarian and Africa, UK Permanent

Representation to the EU
FCO staff

2:45 – 3:45

Meeting with **Nick Westcott, EEAS Managing Director Africa**

European Commission

4:00 – 5:00

Meeting with DG DEVCO.

Invited:

Francesca Mosca, Director (ACP) in Directorate General DEVCO

Mr Peteris Ustubs, Deputy Head of Cabinet

Mr Irchad Razzaly, Cabinet Member

Gerardus Gielen

Fermin J Melendro Arnaiz

Mikael Barfod

Philippe Darmuzey

Denis Salord

Sybille Erdei

Domenico Rosa

Fulgencio Garrido Ruiz

Roland Zinzius

Marc Debois

Chloe Allio

5:00 – 5:45

Meeting with DG ECHO.

Attended by:

Mr Martijn Quinn, Cabinet Member

Mr Cees Wittebrood, Head of Unit West, East and Southern Africa and Indian Ocean

6:30

Depart

Meetings Held

12.09.2011: Investing in High Education: solutions to sustainable development in East Africa

Speakers: Prof Benny Dembitzer, Dr Florian Kapitza, Aiducation International, The Kenya High Commission, Sandy Balfour, CEO of Canon Collins Trust, Pauline Latham MP

Chair: Jeremy Lefroy MP

In collaboration with the Hon. Jeremy Lefroy MP and Aiducation International

31.10.2011: Role of the Diaspora in Addressing Agriculture, Food Security and Malnutrition

Speakers: Lord Paul Boateng, James Houston, Coventry University Centre for Agro-Ecology and Food Security, Karima Ola, African Development Corporation

Chair: Jeremy Lefroy MP

In collaboration with Africa-UK

7.11.2012: Education as a Poverty Reduction Tool: Role of the Diaspora

Speakers :Prof. Ezendu Ariwa, London Metropolitan University, David Houghton Carter, Activ8 UK, Chi Onwurah MP

Chair: Lord Boswell of Aynho

In collaboration with Africa-UK

28.11.2012: Infrastructure: Key to Africa's Development

Speakers: Daphne Guthrie, Institute of Civil Engineers, John Hawkins, Engineers Against Poverty, Timothy Modu, CIDA UK, Oril Arav, Standard Bankfor the Emerging Africa Infrastructure Fund.

Chair: Pauline Latham OBE MP

In collaboration with Africa-UK

29.11.2012: Libya: The State of the Transition and Britain's Role

Speakers: Noman Benotman, Quilliam Group, Robin Lamb, Libya British Business Council

Chair: Hugh Bayley MP

In collaboration with Libya-analysis.com

7.12.2011: Libya: Business Opportunities for British Companies

Speakers: Oliver Miles, Libya British Business Council, Michael Parr, British Arab Commercial Bank, Michael Hodges, HSBC

Chair: Laura Sandys MP

In collaboration with Libya-analysis.com

12.12.2011: Briefing on the Horn of Africa

Speaker: Baroness Valerie Amos, UNOCHA

Chair: Baroness Kinnock of Holyhead

In collaboration with APPG Agriculture and Food for Development

12.12.2011: Libya's New Role in the World

Speakers: Peter Henshaw, Privy Council Office of Canada, Reem Maziq, Women for Libya, Jason Pack, Libya-analysis.com

Chair: Hugh Bayley MP

In collaboration with Libya-analysis.com

1.03.2012: Briefing on the Somalia Conference

Speaker: Henry Bellingham MP, FCO Minister for Africa

Chair: Hugh Bayley MP

07.03.2012: Women's Empowerment in Agriculture Index Launch

Speakers: Dr Meredith Soule, USAID Bureau for Food Security, Dr Sabina Alkire, OPHI, Dr Ruth Meinzen-Dick, IFPRI

Chair: Camilla Toulmin, IIED

In collaboration with APPG Agriculture and Food for Development

13.03.2012: China's Growing Role in Africa

Speakers: Richard Shiere, African Development Bank, Chris Alden, LSE, Donal Brown, DFID

Chair: Lord Steel of Aikwood

In collaboration with the Royal African Society.

13.3.2012: Evidence session: The changing roles and skill mix of health workers globally, with particular reference to Sub-Saharan Africa and the UK

Speakers: Dr Mubashar Sheikh, Global Health Workforce Alliance, Prof Anne Mills, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Prof Chris Lavy, Oxford University, Dr Peter Carter, Royal College of Nursing, Susan Williams, Royal College of Nursing, Dr Rajasingham Daghni, Royal College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists

Chair: Rt Hon Alun Michael MP

In collaboration with the APPG on Global Health

14.03.2012: Addressing Energy Poverty in Africa: Diaspora as Agents of Change

Speakers: Dr. Boma Douglas, Andrew Reicher, Infrastructure Development Group, Rolake Akinkugbe, EcoBank Group

Chair: Martin Horwood MP

In collaboration with Africa-UK

21.03.2012: Diaspora Women and Democracy in Africa

Speakers: Patti Boulaye, Support for Africa, Sylvie Aboa-Bradwell, Africa's People Advocacy, Marianne Alapine, former Councillor for Kensington and Chelsea, Alice Ukoko, Women of Africa

Chair: Anna Vanderpuye-Owunne, Africa-UK

In collaboration with Africa-UK

27.03.2012: Evidence session: The changing roles and skill mix of health workers globally, with particular reference to Sub-Saharan Africa and the UK

Speakers: Prof Jim Buchan, Queen Margaret University, Linda Doull, Merlin, Dr Hannah Faal, Sightsavers International, Dr Matt Harris, Imperial College London, Dr Neil Squires, DFID, Prof Cathy Warwick CBE, Royal College of Midwives

Chair: Hugh Bayley MP

In collaboration with the APPG on Global Health

24.04.2012: Telemedicine in Africa

Speakers: Lord Crisp, Dr. Alexander Finlayson, Dr. Fido, Dr. Victor Joseph

Chair: Lord Swinfen

In collaboration with Africa-UK

23.05.2012: Somaliland's Foreign Policy

Speaker: Dr Mohammed Omar, Somaliland's Foreign Minister

Chair: Rt Hon Alun Michael MP

In collaboration with the APPG for Somalia and Somaliland, and Independent Diplomat

13.06.2012: President Mahamadou Issoufou of Niger

Speaker: President Mahamadou Issoufou of Niger

Chair: Lord Steel of Aikwood

With support from the FCO

20.06.2012: A Discussion on International Development

Speaker: His Holiness the Dalai Lama

Chair: The Speaker, Mr John Bercow MP

In collaboration with the APPGs on International Development, as part of the series Parliamentarians Ending Poverty

26.06.2012: New Perspectives on Development in Africa: China and the UK

Speakers: Ms Wang Yuan, Chief Economist of the China Development Bank, Oliver Colvile MP, CADF rep, Mark Hendrick MP. Attended by 27 senior executives of the China Development Bank and the China Africa Development Fund

Chair: Lord Chidgey

In collaboration with the University of Bradford's Centre for International Development

27.06.2012: The OECD's African Economic Outlook (AEO) 2010: generating jobs for a new generation

Speakers: Mthuli Ncube, Chief Economist and Vice President, African Development Bank, Carkis Akvarez, Deputy Director, OECD Development Centre, Lord Michael Hastings CBE, KPMG International, Lanre Akinola, This is Africa, Karen Ellis, ODI

Chair: David Laws MP

In collaboration with APGOOD and ODI

3.07.2012: Building a More Equitable World

Speakers: Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Gro Harlem Brundtland, Jimmy Carter, Mary Robinson

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11.07.2012: Report Launch: All the Talents – how new roles and better teamwork can improve health services

In collaboration with the APPG on Global Health

Treasurer's Report

From the period January 1st 2011 to December 31st 2011

Net resources at bank reported at January 1st 2011	£461.80
Plus: income received in course of year 2011	£2000.00
Net resources at bank at December 31st 20101	<u>£2461.80</u>

[NB less accrued liability outstanding of £622.44 paid in January 2012].

**Lord Brooke of Sutton Mandeville
Hon. Treasurer**

June 26th 2012
