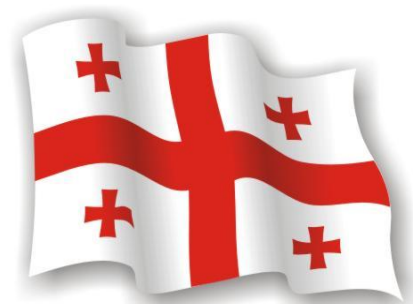


Open Government Partnership: Action Plan of 2014-2015

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GEORGIA

ACTION PLAN 2014-2015

Georgia's Grand Challenges

- ☐ Improving Public Services
- ☐ Increasing Citizen Involvement
- ☐ Better Management of Public Resources
- ☐ Safe Environment
- ☐ Increasing Corporate Accountability

NGO Forum



Developing **Effective** Open Government Commitments

- ☐ commitments may build on:
 - existing efforts;
 - identify new steps to complete on-going reforms, or
 - initiate actions in an entirely new area.

- ☐ Commitments should be structured:
 - around key challenges that all governments confront;
 - around core open government principles.

- ☐ Commitments development:
 - through a consultative, multi-stakeholder process that involves the active engagement of citizens and civil society by government



Commitment Formulation

☐ Each commitment should have:

- its own short paragraph identifying what the commitment is;
- how it will contribute to greater transparency, accountability and/or citizen engagement;
- who will be involved in implementing the commitment (Responsible agency);
- what the government hopes to accomplish by making this commitment;
- Timeline indicating what will be accomplished and when.



SMART Criteria

Specific

- **Describes specific activities that will be undertaken**
- **Describes the problem it is trying to solve**
- **Describes the outcomes expected from implementing the commitment**



Government of Croatia

Improving the practice of consulting the interested public in procedures of adopting new laws, other regulations and acts

Commitment Description

The practice of consulting the interested public in procedures of adopting new laws, other regulations and acts will be enhanced by amending the Government's Rules of Procedure, standardizing internet consultations, training civil servants to efficiently implement the Code of Practice and preparing annual reports on the implementation, and by including members of interested public in sessions of Parliament working bodies.

Activities

- Introduce amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Croatian Government which stipulate the obligation of referring the proposals of draft regulations to the process of consultations (in line with the Code of Practice on Consultation) and require submitting the report on conducted consultations together with draft laws and other regulations
- Set up a standardized internet system for consulting the public in the procedure of adopting new laws, other regulations and acts
- Conduct regular training for consultation coordinators and other civil servants so that they are proficient in using the Code of Practice efficiently.
- Prepare annual reports on the efficient implementation of the Code of Practice on Consultation with the Interested Public in procedures of adopting new laws, other regulations and acts
- Include the representatives of public employees, scientists, and experts in the work of the Croatian Parliament working bodies

SMART Criteria

Measurable

- **Broken into clear, measurable milestones**
- **Lays out measurable, verifiable benchmarks that can demonstrate fulfillment and improvement**



Government of Israel

Commitment Description

As part of its commitments to the Open Government Partnership, the Israel Government will establish a cross-sector forum as an official forum that will supervise approved Government plans and provide consultation on Open Government issues through the Minister in charge of Improvement of Government Services. The Forum will comprise senior representatives of the Government, the academic world and third sector organizations.

Key Impact Benchmarks

1. Approving Israel's National Action plan by a government resolution.
2. Initiating at least four meetings per year dedicated to open government topics concerning Israel and the rest of the world.
3. Initiating a national seminar on issues of Open Government policy.

SMART Criteria

Answerable

- **Specifies ownership by listing the implementing agency**
- **Specifies coordinating or supporting agencies**
- **Specifies civil society, multilateral , or private sector partners**



SMART Criteria

Relevant

- **Makes relevance to open government clear**
- **Addresses transparency, accountability, and/or public participation**
- **Addresses at least one grand challenge**



Government of Indonesia

More Effectively Managing Public Resources

1. Promoting transparency and accountability on budget information at National level. The data and information to be published include: national budget (proposed & enacted), project and budget list, periodical budget disbursement, annual budget report, audited budget report, citizen budget. (Track II, by July 2012).
2. Promoting transparency and accountability on budget information (activity based) at District level. The data and information to be published include: regional budget (proposed & enacted), project (sub-district level) and budget list, and budget disbursement. (Track II, by December 2012).

SMART Criteria

Time-bound

- **Clearly states deadline**
- **Does not have to coincide with 2-year Action plan cycle**
- **Milestone dates are made clear**



Government of Kenya

Commitment Description

Promote transparency and accountability in the management of elections by making available voter register, constituency and boundary information in electronic format online, improving the transmission of election results through technology and making them available online in open data format.

Key Impact Benchmark

Improved transmission of election results through technology

Activities

Making available voter register

Improving the transmission of election results through technology

Target Date

Jan 01, 2011 - Mar 01, 2013

A good Action Plan is

 **Ambitious – Do commitments strive to improve the status quo?**

 **Responsive – Is the plan reflective of public demand?**

 **Relevant – Does the plan address key open government principles?**



Reaching out to Civil Society

A productive Government and Civil Society partnership is built on a solid foundation of:



Sincerity



Trust



**Really
Listening**



**Providing
Feedback**



**Ongoing
Dialogue**



Guidance of the Process

Best Practices



Availability of Timeline & process – Make details & timeline of consultation available (online at minimum) prior to consultation



Adequate notice – Consult the public with sufficient forewarning




Awareness Raising – Conduct awareness raising to increase participation



Guidance of the Process Best Practices

*** Multiple Channels – Consult through various mechanisms: online and in-person**

 **Breadth of Consultation – Consult widely with the national community including civil society and private sector**

 **Documentation & Feedback – Make a summary of public consultations and feedback available publicly**



Government and Civil Society co-create the Action Plan

□ Needs

- Ongoing platform for government and civil society dialogue *(from the process of drafting the Action Plan through the implementation stages and assessment)*



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