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Introducing the Open Government Partnership

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The Origin of OGP



Global multistakeholder initiative

Partnership between
Government and
Civil Society

Make governments more open, accountable, and responsive



The Process Mechanics

1

Join
If eligible, country may join

3 Implement

Government leads implementation of commitments

2

Co-create

Government & civil society cocreate national action plan

4 Assess

Publish self-assessment & participate in Independent Reporting Mechanism

5 Learn
Contribute to peer learning

Eligibility Criteria



Budget Transparency

Measured by the Open Budget Index 2012 (100 country survey)



Access to Information

Measured by Right2Info's database of FOI laws and constitutional provisions for access to information



Asset Disclosure

Measured by the World Bank's Public Officials Asset Disclosure database



Citizen Engagement

Measured by the Economist Intelligence Unit's Democracy Index

How do countries score on the criteria?

Country	Eligibility Scores				
	Budget	FOI	Asset Disclosure	Engagement	Total
BANGLADESH	2	4	2	3	69%
INDIA	4	4	2	4	88%
INDONESIA	4	4	4	3	94%
MONGOLIA	4	4	4	4	100%
PHILIPPINES	4	3	4	4	94%
SRI LANKA	4	3	4	3	88%
TIMOR LESTE	4	0	2	4	63%

Change as a starting point to join



Sierra Leone

Passed a Freedom of Information Law.



Tunisia

Released the Executive's Budget Proposal to improve their fiscal transparency score.



Malawi

Released executive budget proposal and audit reports. Approved Access to Information Policy; law in the final pre-adoption stage.

From Commitment to Action

Total number of commitments made since OGP launched in 2011

Countries in OGP

Countries with a forum for regular multi-stakeholder consultation

Out of some 800 commitments assessed.

were starred commitments, recognized for their ambition, relevance and completion.

Average number of ongoing commitments per country

Total number of

National Action Plans

Number of countries that participated in the 2015 Open Government Awards

Top 5 Issue Areas:

Public

Participation

305

Open Data

243



Budget Transparency

204



Public Service Delivery

165



Information

132

The Arc of the OGP Story

Phase 2
Laying the
Foundation

Phase 3
Raising the
Ceiling

Phase I Founding and Growth

Laying the foundation

- Consultation requirements
- SMART action plans
- Deepening & broadening
- Learning from earlier cohorts

Raising the ceiling

- Who is in the room?
- Can civil society/public influence action plans?
- Are action plans becoming more diverse?
- Do action plans tackle civic space issues?
- Are we learning from IRM and other monitoring reports?

Looking Ahead

- ✓ Bring new countries from Asia on board
- ✓ Maintain high-level political leadership and commitment to open government reform and broaden the base of reformers and issues
- ✓ Respond to the threat of closing civic space
- ✓ Set up permanent dialogue mechanisms and keep improving the platform
- ✓ Connect to other core global agenda's: Post2015, Climate, Finance for Development
- ✓ The OGP journey goes sub-national

Resources



CSE Team
Support Unit
Guidelines



Referrals for Technical Assistance



Track Progress
OGP Explorer
IRM Database



Working Groups, Workshops,



Co-Created Content: Blogs, Op-eds, Newsletter



Case Studies,
Open Gov Guide,
OGP Research Agenda

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