

## **MID-TERM EVALUATION REPORT**

# Open Government Partnership National Action Plan for years 2017-2019

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## List of abbreviations used

Abbreviation	Full name
OGP NAP 2017-2019	Open Government Partnership National Action Plan of the Slovak Republic for 2017-
	2019
API	Application Programming Interface
CUDEO	Central Storage for Digital Educational Content
CVTI SR	Slovak Center of Scientific and Technical Information
EŠIF	European Structural and Investment Funds
EK	European Commission
EU	European Union
IEP	Institute for Environmental Policy
IT	Information Technology
МРК	Inter-Departmental Review (process of collecting public feedback on upcoming
	legislation)
MPC	Methodological and Pedagogical Center
MDaV SR	Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic
MF SR	Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic
MH SR	Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic
MK SR	Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic
MO SR	Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic
MPRV SR	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic
MPSVaR SR	Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic
MS SR	Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic
MŠVVaŠ SR	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic
MV SR	Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic
MZVaEZ SR	Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic
MZ SR	Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic
MŽP SR	Ministry of Environment of the Slovak Republic
MNO	Non-governmental non-profit organizations
NASES	National Agency for Network and Electronic Services
NBU	National Security Authority
NÚCEM	National Institute for Certified Educational Measurements
OGP	Open Government Partnership
OP EVS	Operational Program Effective Public Administration
OP II	Operational Program Integrated Infrastructure
OP Val	Operational Program Research and Innovation
PÚ SR	Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic
ROS	Development of the civil society
SAŽP / SEA	Slovak Environmental Agency
SŠHR SR	Administration of State Material Reserves of the Slovak Republic
ŠÚ SR / SO SR	Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic
ŠPÚ / SPI	National Institute for Education (State Pedagogical Institute)
ŠIOV	State Institute for Vocational Education
ÚGKaK SR	Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre Authority of the Slovak Republic
ÚJD SR / NRA SR	Nuclear Regulatory Authority of the Slovak Republic

ÚPVII / ÚPPVII	Deputy Prime Minister's Office for Investments and Informatization
ÚMMaS SR	Slovak Office of Standards, Metrology and Testing
ÚVO / PPO	Office for Public Procurement
ÚPV SR	Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic
ÚSV ROS	Office of the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society
ÚV SR	Government Office of the Slovak Republic
ÚPVS / CPAP	Central Public Administration Portal
VPK	Intra-Departmental Review (process of collecting internal feedback from within a public
	administration authority)
VÚDPaP	Research Institute for Child Psychology and Pathopsychology

#### Introduction

The Office of the Plenipotentiary of the Government of the Slovak Republic for the Development of Civil Society (ÚSV ROS) as the coordinating body of the Open Government Partnership (OGP) initiative has prepared a **mid-term evaluation report to meet the commitments** of the OGP NAP 2017-2019.

The creation of evaluation reports is a requirement for the countries' membership in the Open Government Partnership. During each two-year national action plan cycle, countries need to develop two evaluation reports – one halfway through the implementation period and one after the two-year cycle concludes. Information that is reported also serves as a basis for the OGP Independent Reporting Mechanism reports.

This report was developed to map the process of fulfillment of the commitments set out in the current National Action Plan and to provide a qualitative assessment of the fulfillment of the individual commitments whose deadline has already passed, as well as to evaluate the readiness for the fulfillment of commitments with deadlines from 2018 until mid-2019. Our goal for the report was to show the most accurate picture of the status quo from the qualitative aspect. Based on this report, we know how we have managed to fulfill the individual commitments, see the areas for improvement, and understand in which areas and tasks work will need to be intensified in the future. Thanks to the report, we also have a qualitative basis for the creation of the future national action plan.

Besides ÚSV ROS, the following participated to a great extent during the preparation of the mid-term evaluation report:

• the OGP Coordination Group, composed of representatives of the individual central government bodies, together with representatives of the ÚSV ROS responsible for the individual issue areas,

• an important part of the entire evaluation process were the individual **working groups**, composed of representatives of central authorities and experts from non-governmental organizations and civil society, who participated in the drafting of the OGP National Action Plan for 2017-2019 and assessed whether the results are in line with the expectations defined during its creation,

• last but not least, the **public** also expresses its opinion on the evaluation report.

<u>The timetable for the mid-term evaluation report was as follows:</u>

12 April 2018	Meeting of the OGP Coordination Group (Minutes (PDF, 252 KB) from the
	meeting)
20 April 2018	Acceptance of documents from the ministries to evaluate the commitments
May 14 - 18, 2018	Meeting of working groups and evaluation of commitments
June 5, 2018	First draft of the mid-term evaluation report
June 6-17, 2018	Public feedback
20 June 2018	Presentation of the draft report at the meeting of the Government Council of
	the Slovak Republic for NGOs
18-27 July 2018	Evaluation of feedback and preparation of the final version of the evaluation

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	report
31 July 2018	Final version of the mid-term evaluation report (SK)
September 3, 2018	Final version of the mid-term evaluation report (ENG)

We provide real-time information about the fulfillment of individual commitments on the <u>ROS</u> website as well as <u>on the online Trello platform</u>.

The final mid-term evaluation report will be available in the Slovak language on the <u>ROS</u> website as well as on the international Open Government Partnership website.

### Implementation of the Action Plan as of March 30, 2018 - Summary

#### **First Chapter: Open Information**

Number of commitments to date	23	Commitments: 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 + 4 recommendations
Number of completed commitments	10	Commitments: 1, 4, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23
Number of commitments in progress	13	Commitments: 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 22, 24

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

• Continue publishing datasets - in accordance with Commitments No. 5 and 6 (schedule for the release of datasets in the management of individual public administration authorities) and in accordance with Commitments No. 9 and 15 (most requested datasets and APIs).

#### Second Chapter: Open Education and Open Science

Number of commitments to date	7	Commitments: 27, 28, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37
Number of completed commitments	2	Commitments: 34, 37
Number of commitments in progress	3	Commitments: 33, 35, 36
Number of unfulfilled commitments	2	Commitments: 27, 28

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

• Identify a body / institution / section that will be responsible for managing the creation of educational resources from the perspective of subject, content and format.

• Enforce the change of ownership of license rights - all licensing rights from now move from the publishers to MŠVVaŠ SR. Resume negotiations with partners and request the change of ownership of the license rights.

#### Third Chapter: Government open to dialogue

Number of commitments to date	3	Commitments: 43, 44, 49
Number of completed commitments	3	Commitments: 43, 44, 49

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

• Introduce as a standard the participatory creation of all public policies with the participation of stakeholders, not only as part of fulfillment of the OGP commitments.

#### 4th Chapter: Open Justice

Number of commitments to date	3	Commitments: 53, 54, 55
Number of completed commitments	2	Commitments: 53, 54
Number of commitments in progress	1	Commitments: 55

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** 

- Focus on the technical aspects of publishing evaluations of judges.
- Focus on the implementation of the amendment to the Act on Courts.

#### **5th Chapter: Application Practice**

Number of commitments to date	3	Commitments: 62, 63, 64
Number of commitments in progress	3	Commitments: 62, 63, 64

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** 

#### • Monitor the application of the respective legislation in practice.

#### 6th Chapter: Feedback and continuation

Number of commitments to date	1	Commitments: 65
Number of commitments in progress	1	Commitments: 65

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

• Continue intensive co-operation and co-ordination between the government departments and other central public administration authorities.

### I. Open information

Commitment No. 1: Perform an analysis of the market value and economic potential of open data in Slovakia, including analysis of saving public funds.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister for investment and Informatization in collaboration with the Minister of Finance, Head of the Government Office and the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society.

Deadline: December 31, 2017

Status: completed

Assessment:

The Office of the Deputy Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic for Investments and Informatization (ÚPVII) prepared an **Analysis of the Value of Open Data**, which can be <u>accessed online</u>. In the Working Group K9.4 "Better data", which is led by ÚPVII, there is ongoing discussion about the methods of calculating the value of the open data, in order to calculate the CBA (cost benefit analysis) in IT-related data projects.

#### Commitment No. 2: Submit a draft law on data to the Government.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister for Investment and Informatization in cooperation with the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Justice, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior, Head of Government Office, Chair of the Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre Authority of the Slovak Republic and the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society. Deadline: December 31, 2018

#### Status: in progress

#### Assessment:

ÚPVII launched the drafting process for the legislation. The K9.4 Working group "Better data" is currently proposing the basic points of the new law (open data, big data, my data, linked data, PSI, GDPR, ...) and is forming a narrower working group which will expand these points into more specific proposals. In addition to overseeing the content, ÚSV ROS also monitors the participatory aspect of creation of this crucial legislation.

## Commitment No. 3: Conduct training for employees of public administration made responsible by their employer to publish open data on behalf of the public institution.

Responsible: Head of the Government Office Deadline: ongoing, evaluation on December 31

Status: completed

#### Assessment:

2017: The training for government employees who have been tasked by their employer to publish open data on behalf of public institutions, was carried out by NASES under the auspices of the Government Office of the Slovak Republic on December 15, 2017 on the premises of the Government Office. The training was attended by 41 participants - representatives of ministries and other central state administration authorities, including a representative of the Data center of digitization of Local Government of Slovakia.

Commitment No. 4: Adopt guidelines for a standardized publication method and content of published datasets for state administration and local self-government as part of the amendment of the Decree of Ministry of Finance No. 55/2014 Coll. on Standards for Public Administration Information Systems, as amended.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister for investment and Informatization in consultation with the Head of the Government Office and the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society

Deadline: December 31, 2017

Status: completed

Assessment:

The principles for the publication of datasets of state administration and local government authorities have been modified in line with this commitment through proposed measure of amending <u>Decree</u> <u>No.55/2014 On Standards For Information Systems in Public Administration</u>. The measure was subsequently published in accordance with the Legislative Rules of the Slovak Government and entered into force on 15.03.2018.

Recommendation No. 1: Create and publish a draft for the model publication minimum for local government authorities.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister for Investment and Informatization in cooperation with the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society and the chairman of the Association of Towns and Communities

Deadline: June 30, 2017

Status: no information provided

Commitment No. 5: Update and publish at the Open Data Portal the lists of all datasets of the ministries, organizations established by them, as well as other central government bodies, along with the plan of their publication at the Open Data Portal, including frequency of updates.

Responsible: the ministers, the head of the Government Office, the heads of other central government bodies

Deadline: March 31 of each year

<u>Status</u>: continuously fulfilled by individual ministries, their organizations and other central government bodies

Link to detailed assessment:

https://www.minv.sk/swift\_data/source/rozvoj\_obcianskej\_spolocnosti/otvorene\_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba\_hodnotiaca\_sprava/spolocne\_ulohy/2018-07-30\_B5.pdf

Also available as Appendix No. 1 at the end of this document

Commitment No. 6: Publish datasets in accordance with the plan of publication and updating at the Open Data Portal, based on the updated list of datasets in the sphere of influence of ministries and organizations established by them, as well as other central government authorities.

Responsible: the ministers, the head of the Government Office, the heads of central central government bodies

Deadline: ongoing, evaluation on December 31

<u>Status:</u> continuously fulfilled by individual ministries, their organizations and other central government bodies

Link to detailed assessment:

https://www.minv.sk/swift\_data/source/rozvoj\_obcianskej\_spolocnosti/otvorene\_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba\_hodnotiaca\_sprava/spolocne\_ulohy/2018-07-30\_B6.pdf

Also available as Appendix No. 2 at the end of this document

Recommendation No. 2: Publish open data at least in the scope and structure defined in the publication minimum for local government authorities with the help of the technical infrastructure of the Municipality Data Center (COM).

Responsible: The elected representatives of regional and local government Deadline: ongoing, evaluation on March 31

#### <u>Status:</u>

Assessment:

Since the publication model for local administration has not been created and published (Recommendation No. 1), there is no unifying element for the publication of open data of local administration bodies. However, year after year more and more municipalities proactively provide information on their websites. The problem is that due to the lack of a unifying format, analysis and comparison of data is time consuming.

## Commitment No. 7: Carry out a public campaign to promote the use of datasets published at the Open Data Portal and to support the development of innovation.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society in cooperation with the Deputy Prime Minister for Investment and Informatization and the Head of the Government Office

Deadline: ongoing, evaluation on 31 December

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

ÚSV ROS carried out several activities in the course of 2017 to raise awareness of open data, the open data portal of data.gov.sk, and the innovations created using open data:

#### 1. Open Government Week 2017

During the Open Government Week 2017 (6th-10th November 2017, Art Gallery), one full day (November 9, 2017) was devoted to open data. The program included, among other things, panel discussions with the participation of Martina Slabejová, Director-General of the Information Society Division of ÚPVII, Lukáš Sojka - Managing Director of NASES, Juraj Bardy - Coordinator for the creation of strategic open data documents at ÚPVII, and others.

The discussion about open data was also recorded and live-streamed in order to raise awareness.

The program also included presentations of examples of good practice, applications and innovations built on open data. The presentations at the event included Finstat (Filip Glasa), Supervisor (Martin Kopeček, MF SR), OpenStat (Barbara Marek, JumpSoft), as well as presentations of possibilities of active opening of data by the Otakar Moteil Foundation from the Czech Republic (Michal Tošovský) or the city of Prešov (Mariana Hurna). (More information.)

#### 2. OpenAlt conference in Brno

Under the theme Open Society, Communities and Data, ÚSV ROS presented the issue of open source software in the public administration at the OpenAlt international conference, which took place from 4th to 5th November 2017 in Brno. <u>Presentation</u> is available, as well as the recording (found <u>here</u>).

#### 3. DanubeHack 3.0 and Open Data Academy

ÚSV ROS in cooperation with ÚPVII, MoE SR (SAŽP), ÚV SR (NASES) and Geoinformatika company organized the third edition of the DanubeHack event on 16-17 December 2017, focused at developing open data applications by the independent IT community.

Within the framework of this event, ÚSV ROS organized an **Open Data Academy**, which aimed to introduce open data to the public in a comprehensive way. Lectures by experts have been provided, such as Introduction to Open Data (Jan Gondol, ÚPVII), Why Publish Data and What are the Benefits? (Iveta Fercikova, ÚSV ROS), How to search for open data at data.gov.sk? (Silvia Horvathova, NASES), Examples of Open Data Applications (Peter Hanecak, Open Data Initiative) and others. The talks were recorded and <u>published online</u> in order to raise awareness of open data among the general public as well as professional audience.

#### 4. IT Conference Bratislava Open Camp

ÚSV ROS presented at the OpenCamp IT Conference in Bratislava, held on April 21, 2018, about the role of open source software in the public sphere. More information about the conference can be found on this page.

#### Commitment No. 8: Conduct a survey of public demand for the most requested open data datasets.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: 31 March each year

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

2017: Between March 16-31, ÚSV ROS conducted a survey of the most requested data sets and open application program interfaces of public administration electronic services.

The survey was mainly conducted through an online <u>on-line questionnaire</u>.

The survey inputs consisted of the following:

#### A. **Results of the online questionnaire:**

The online questionnaire was filled out by 42 people. The questionnaire was addressed to IT developers, data analysts as well as citizens who had expressed interest in public administration data.

#### B. User requests to publish datasets sent through the open data portal data.gov.sk:

ÚSV ROS has obtained the requests from NASES, the organization which administers the open data portal. ÚSV ROS has received 7 requests for the publication of datasets.

#### C. Other suggestions:

Other sources included feedback received by ÚSV ROS in the past, whether formally (via e-mail) or less formally (in personal meetings, by phone) as well as feedback from the past (evaluation report for the OGP 2015 National Action Plan).

institution	Identified data
ÚGKK SR	Ownership information, cadastral procedures, orthophoto maps, digital relief model, etc.
MŽP SR	Weather data, radar maps, information on environmental pollution, atmospheric conditions, list of mineral springs, list of hills, list of river springs, etc.
ÚVO (PPO)	Public procurement references, profile documents, blacklist history, detailed protocols from electronic auctions, IP addresses of electronic auctions bidders, etc.
ŠÚ SR (SO SR)	Register of legal persons, classification lists, classifications, etc.
MDV SR	Public transportation timetables, real-time positions of trains and buses, list of stops / stations, planned road infrastructure, dangerous junctions / crossings, data from the NDS (public highway authority) toll system, data from the automatic census on motorway and expressway sections, data on occupancy of individual trains, as well as stations and stops, etc.
MS SR	Current legislation, historical texts, business register.
MF SR; Financial Headquarters of the Slovak Republic; NBS	Tax identification numbers of taxable persons, VAT IDs, results of tax assignation to non-profits, information on subsidies provided at all levels, anonymized tax returns of natural persons, etc.
MK SR	List of national cultural monuments, list of cultural monuments, list of national natural monuments, list of natural monuments, etc.

#### The 2017 showed that the most requested data sets are from the following sectors:

ÚV SR	Data from the central register of contracts, from the central register of projects, etc.	
MV SR	Register of registered vehicles, trade register, data on coverage of public areas by cameras, etc.	
MPRV SR	Land, land use, agricultural equipment, aquaculture.	

#### More detailed information can be found in this table.

A total of 60 people participated in the survey.

Detailed results were provided by letter to those public institutions managing the data, together with the request to make them available (Commitment No. 9).

**Update in 2018**: After the deadline for publishing the most requested datasets and open application interfaces (APIs) that emerged from the research results in 2017, ÚSV ROS contacted the responsible ministries with a request to provide information about the disclosure / non-disclosure of the most requested datasets and APIs, along with the barriers in the disclosure - legislative, technological, financial, licensing and others. The responses, combined with the information received by ÚSV ROS through personal meetings with selected ministries have been processed and published online on this link.

The current situation is that a number of datasets that were requested in 2017 have not been published. ÚSV ROS therefore considers last year's survey as a permanent survey of the public demand for datasets / APIs, since there is still ongoing discussion / commenting about the individual datasets / APIs between the public and the data owners (public administration).

Such a survey helps to uncover the reasons for which the most popular datasets / APIs are not published, allowing the leaders in the policies for open data / APIs (ÚPVII, ÚSV ROS, NASES) to respond to the needs of publishers.

In order to help the ministries and in order to fulfill this commitment (when the ministries identified the "technological or financial" barriers as reasons for non-disclosure), ÚSV ROS in co-operation the Deputy Prime Minister's Office for Investments and Informatization, introduced measures in the call for applications for public financial support "Data" (Summer 2018) within the Operational Program Integrated Infrastructure that will include solutions to make these priority datasets available.

# Commitment No. 9: Based on the results of the survey of public demand for the most requested datasets, publish the most requested datasets at the Open Data Portal in accordance with applicable legislation.

Responsible: the ministers, the head of the Government Office, the heads of other central government bodies, in cooperation with the Deputy Prime Minister for Investment and Informatization Deadline: 31 December each year

<u>Status</u>: continuously fulfilled by individual ministries, their organizations and other central government bodies

Link to detailed assessment:

https://www.minv.sk/swift\_data/source/rozvoj\_obcianskej\_spolocnosti/otvorene\_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba\_hodnotiaca\_sprava/spolocne\_ulohy/2018-07-30\_B9.pdf

Also available as Appendix No. 3 at the end of this document

Note: This commitment is only relevant to those ministries and other central government authorities identified in the survey.

#### Recommendation No. 3: Monitor and evaluate public demand for the most requested datasets of selfgovernment bodies.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister for Investment and Informatization in cooperation with the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society and the chairman of the Association of Towns and Communities

Deadline: 31 May annually

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

As part of fulfillment of Commitment No. 8 ÚSV ROS carried out a survey of demand for the most requested data sets and open application programming interfaces for electronic services of public administration. The survey did not show current demand for datasets of local authorities. ÚSV ROS will continue to monitor the requirements on a continuous basis and, in case of public interest, will communicate with the respective municipalities or with centrally with the Association of Municipalities and Towns.

# Recommendation No. 4: Collect data of organizations and local self-government with the help of the technical infrastructure of data centers villages and towns (DCOM). Responsible: The elected representatives of regional and local self-government Deadline: ongoing

Status: Information not provided

## Commitment No. 10: Conduct an analysis of publication of datasets of central government bodies at the open data and submit it to the meeting of the Government Council for NGOs.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: 30 June each year

Status: completed

#### Assessment:

2017: The commitment is based on the need to periodically monitor the open data release status in order to ensure the successful implementation of one of the main issue areas of the 2017-2019 OGP National Action Plan.

ÚSV ROS prepared an Analysis of the publication of data sets in public administration on March 31, 2017. The analysis was presented as part of the program of the 12th meeting of the Council of Government of the Slovak Republic for NGOs, which took place on June 19, 2017.

The purpose of the analysis was:

- to analyze the existing datasets of organizations on the data.gov.sk portal,
- to quantify the number of published datasets under the authority of the respective organization s and therefore to map the current situation,
- to identify what kinds of data on the portal are missing relative to current practices abroad,
- to formulate recommendations for public administration authorities in the area of open data publication,
- to raise awareness among organizations about the importance of open data.

The analysis does not have the ambition to evaluate the published datasets in terms of technical quality. It focuses on the mapping of the status quo in terms of quantification. The analysis is available <u>on this link</u>.

## Commitment No. 11: Develop a strategy and action plan of publication and use of open data of public administration and submit it to the Government.

Responsible: Head of the Government Office Deadline: May 31, 2017

Status: completed

Assessment:

The Government of the Slovak Republic by its Resolution No. 346 of 24 July 2017 approved the material Strategy and Action Plan for Access to and Use of Public Administration Data, which is available <u>on this</u> <u>link</u>.

Commitment No. 12: Develop standards for publicly available application programming interfaces and submit them to the Commission for the Standardization of Information Systems in Public Administration.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister for investment and Informatization in consultation with the Head of the Government Office Deadline: December 31, 2017

Status: completed

#### Assessment:

Standards for public Application Programming Interfaces have been developed and discussed with the representatives of the Commission for Standardization of Public Administration Information Systems as well as within its working groups. The <u>Decree No. 55/2014 Coll.</u> was supplemented by <u>Measure No. 11/2018</u> containing new Section 47a, "Publicly Available Application Programming Interfaces". The introductory section of the Decree on Standards was also supplemented by the definitions related to this change.

# Commitment No. 13: Ensure the publication of open data and publicly available Application Programming Interfaces in projects financed by the Operational Program Integrated Infrastructure and other public sources.

**Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister for Investment and Informatization Deadline: ongoing, evaluation on 31 December** 

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

In 2017, the Managing Committee of the Operational Program Integrated Infrastructure approved 7 feasibility studies of projects, namely:

- 1. Information system Legal aid center
- 2. Social Security Data Management
- 3. Improving availability of the public administration data base, including open data, through the data integration platform
- 4. Migration of the municipal information system into the government cloud. DCOM information system expansion Stage 2 (DCOM +)
- 5. Central Economic System
- 6. Business Register Information System
- 7. Central information system of state administration.

Five of the seven feasibility studies declared the intent to publish open data, namely feasibility studies of OP II projects referred to in points 1, 2, 3, 6 and 7. Six out of the seven feasibility studies declared the intent to create publicly available application programming interfaces (open APIs), namely feasibility studies of OP II projects referred to in points 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7.

## Commitment No. 14: Conduct a survey of public demand for the most requested open data datasets.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: 31 March each year

Status: completed

#### Assessment:

2017: ÚSV ROS combined the query survey of the most requested datasets (Commitment No. 8) with the survey of public demand for the most requested open application programming interfaces. The survey was conducted Between March 16-31, 2017.

The survey revealed that the most frequently requested open APIs are from the following sectors:

- ÚGKK SR
- MV SR
- ÚV SR
- ŠÚ SR (SO SR)
- MDV SR
- MS SR
- MF SR

The results of the open APIs that were requested largely copied the public's demands for open data (Commitment No. 8). Detailed results were communicated to the public administration authorities which manage the respective information systems, along with the request to to open up the APIs.

2018: see Commitment No. 8.

Commitment No. 15: Based on the results of the survey of public demand for most requested publicly available Application Programming Interfaces, make available the most requested Application Programming Interfaces in compliance with current legislation and existing technical conditions, along with the license (conditions) for their use.

Responsible: the ministers, the head of the Government Office, and the heads of central government bodies, in cooperation with the Deputy Prime Minister for Investment and Informatization Deadline: 31 December each year

<u>Status:</u> continuously fulfilled by individual ministries, their organizations and other central government bodies

#### Link to detailed assessment:

https://www.minv.sk/swift\_data/source/rozvoj\_obcianskej\_spolocnosti/otvorene\_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba\_hodnotiaca\_sprava/spolocne\_ulohy/2018-07-30\_B15.pdf

Also available as Appendix No. 4 at the end of this document

Note: This commitment is only relevant to those ministries and other central government authorities identified in the survey.

## Commitment No. 16: Enable the disclosure of source code and development using open methods for newly developed plug-ins and extensions of web browsers and client applications.

Responsible: the ministers, the head of the Government Office, the heads of other central government bodies

Deadline: ongoing, evaluation on 31 December

<u>Status</u>: continuously fulfilled by individual ministries, their organizations and other central government bodies

#### Link to detailed assessment:

https://www.minv.sk/swift\_data/source/rozvoj\_obcianskej\_spolocnosti/otvorene\_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba\_hodnotiaca\_sprava/spolocne\_ulohy/2018-07-30\_B16.pdf

Also available as Appendix No. 5 at the end of this document

Commitment No. 17: Document the use of selected open source components in custom-made information systems, analyze the possibility of publishing parts of the code and documentation under an open license and publish selected parts of the code.

Responsible: the ministers, the head of the Government Office and heads of other central government bodies

Deadline: October 31, 2017

<u>Status:</u> commitment completed by individual ministries, their organizations and other central government bodies

Link to detailed assessment:

https://www.minv.sk/swift\_data/source/rozvoj\_obcianskej\_spolocnosti/otvorene\_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba\_hodnotiaca\_sprava/spolocne\_ulohy/2018-07-30\_B17.pdf

Also available as Appendix No. 6 at the end of this document

Commitment No. 18: Publish at the Open Data Portal the list of used open source software stating the purpose of each type of software, license type, as well as software for which a government body has a license for its use, distribution and publishing.

Responsible: the ministers, the head of the Government Office and heads of other central government bodies

Deadline: July 31, 2017

<u>Status:</u> commitment completed by individual ministries, their organizations and other central government bodies

Link to detailed assessment:

https://www.minv.sk/swift\_data/source/rozvoj\_obcianskej\_spolocnosti/otvorene\_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba\_hodnotiaca\_sprava/spolocne\_ulohy/2018-07-30\_B18.pdf

Also available as Appendix No. 7 at the end of this document

# Commitment No. 19: In cooperation with experts, carry out a study that will document the possibilities, advantages and disadvantages of using open source software and other licensing models in the state administration.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister for investment and Informatization, in cooperation with the ministers, the head of the Government Office, chair of the Public Procurement Office and the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: December 31, 2017

#### Office of the Deputy Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic for Investment and Informatization

Status: completed

#### Assessment:

The study is available <u>on this link</u>. Through the portal, the public is invited to send suggestions and suggestions for improvement.

#### Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic (MH SR)

Status: completed

#### Assessment:

MH SR cooperated with ÚPVII SR on this commitment in relation to its work on tasks No. B.17 and B.18 of Government Resolution No. 104/2017, which included publishing information about the usage of open source software used at MH SR on the open data portal. Besides these commitments, MH SR was not contacted to work on the task related to the study. MH SR is ready to cooperate when addressed.

#### Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic (MŠVVaŠ SR)

Status: completed

Assessment:

MŠVVaŠ SR is ready to cooperate with the Deputy Prime Minister for Investment and Informatization in the area of documentation of possibilities, advantages and disadvantages of the use of open source software and other licensing models in the state administration.

## Commitment No. 20: Carry out an initial feasibility study on the introduction of satellite account for NGOs (cost-benefit analysis).

Responsible: head of the Slovak Statistical Office in cooperation with the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: December 31, 2017

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

ÚSV ROS, in cooperation with ŠÚ SR, prepared the document Feasibility Study of Satellite Account for Non-Governmental Non-Profit Organizations, which aims to analyze the available data available to the ŠÚ SR, following the requirements of ÚSV ROS.

The NGO Satellite Account should provide information on the economic and social benefits of the nonprofit sector in the context of the current state and development trends of the civil society. Its aim is to get to understand the non-profit sector from different perspectives while creating the prerequisites for long-term and systematic monitoring of key aspects of the functioning of the non-profit sector and the civil society at certain time intervals and in a repeated fashion.

The complete material is available in electronic form at this location.

The introduction of the satellite account will be part of the national project Better Public Policies Through Better Understanding of the Civil Society, which is being prepared by ÚSV ROS and will be funded by the Operational Program Effective Public Administration. Commitment No. 21: Define the minimum scope and structure of the disclosed data on the use of European structural and investment funds, the EEA Financial Mechanism, Norwegian Financial Mechanism, the Swiss Financial Mechanism and subsidy schemes from the state budget. Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: March 31, 2017

### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

On March 13-31, 2017, ÚSV ROS conducted a survey of the demand for the most requested data points about the use of public resources, which are to be published.

The survey was conducted mainly via electronic <u>online questionnaire</u>, via e-mails to members of the working group during the previous 2015 OGP National Action Plan who evaluated the publication of information on public funds, through personal meetings, as well as inputs from <u>the workshops</u> that were conducted in Košice (March 16, 2017), as well as Banská Bystrica (March 23, 2017).

The survey sources were as follows:

- A. An online questionnaire filled out by a total of 34 people.
- B. Suggestions from workshops conducted in Košice and Banská Bystrica, with about 75 participants in total, who actively communicated their problems and complications related to receiving funding for their activities from public sources. Among other suggestions, they also addressed transparency requirements and discussed which data may be useful for this goal.
- C. **Other suggestions** other sources included feedback received by ÚSV ROS in the past either formally (via e-mail) or less formally (in personal meetings, by phone), as well as previous feedback collection (evaluation of the 2015 OGP National Action Plan).

The survey revealed that the most requested information on public resources that have been granted can be categorized into the following areas:

Area:	Most important information that has been identified:
Grant Scheme	name, allocation, schedule, source of finance,
Provider	name, ID,
Call	name, call type, allocation, timetable, eligible applicants, eligible activities, call status,
Request	name, description, status, submission date, amount requested, approved amount,
Applicant	name, ID, IBAN, legal form,
Project	title, status, description, measurable goals, proposed schedule, real schedule, budgeted costs,
Indicator	identifier, planned value, planned dates of achievement, unit of measure, real value achieved,
Agreement	link to the Central Register of Contracts
Budget	CPV item codes, economic classification of items, unit of measure, unit price of

	Item,
Billing	item name, CPV code, payment date,
Procurement	link to public procurement information in the Public Procurement Journal, Common Procurement Vocabulary (CPV), information on green / social
	procurement,

Detailed results have been provided to all public administration organizations that provide public resources. Together with the Government Office of the Slovak Republic (NASES, the operator of "Module Grant Schemes" portal at <u>https://data.gov.sk/dotacie</u>), ÚSV ROS provides assistance to the organizations publishing this information in line with Commitment No. 22.

Commitment No. 22: Publish data on the use of funds provided by central government authorities within the European structural and investment funds, the EEA Financial Mechanism, Norwegian Financial Mechanism, the Swiss Financial Mechanism and subsidy schemes from the state budget, at least in the defined structure at the website https://data.gov.sk/dotacie.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister for investment and Informatization, the ministers, the head of the Government Office

Deadline: 30 June annually for the previous year

<u>Status</u>: continuously fulfilled by individual ministries, their organizations and other central government bodies

Link to detailed assessment:

https://www.minv.sk/swift\_data/source/rozvoj\_obcianskej\_spolocnosti/otvorene\_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba\_hodnotiaca\_sprava/spolocne\_ulohy/2018-07-30\_B22.pdf

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Commitment No. 23: In a participatory manner, carry out an analysis of compliance with the obligation to publish contracts in the Central Register of Contracts, prepare a proposal of changes that will clarify the obligation and enable an effective mechanism for compliance verification, and submit these to the Government.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Justice in cooperation with the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: December 30, 2017

### Status: completed

Assessment:

The analysis was carried out within the working group to prepare an amendment to Act no. 211/2000 Coll. on Free Access to Information and on Amendments to Certain Acts (Freedom of Information Act), as amended. The results of the analysis were taken into account in the draft Act amending the Act no. 211/2000 Coll. on Free Access to Information and on Amendments to Certain Acts (Freedom of Information Act), as amended.

# Commitment No. 24: Create space for the publication of local self-government (municipality) contracts in a single central repository.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Justice in consultation with the Head of the Government Office

Deadline: December 31, 2017

#### Status: in progress

Assessment:

The Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic submitted to the legislative process a law amending Act no. 211/2000 Coll. on Free Access to Information and on Amendments to Certain Acts (Freedom of Information Act), as amended. The material will be submitted to the Government of the Slovak Republic within the specified deadline. Information is available <u>on this link</u>.

The amendment of the FOIA enables municipalities, higher territorial units, obligated persons who are their budgetary or contributory organizations and obliged persons in which they have more than 50% participation and who are obliged to publish contracts on their website, to ask the Office of the Government of the Slovak Republic to publish the contract in the Central Register of Contracts ("CRZ"). The Office of the Government is obliged to comply with such a request and allow the publication of the contract in CRZ.

# II. Open education and open science

Commitment No. 25: Establish and operate a repository of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic for storage, long-term archiving and access to educational resources.

**Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: 30 June 2018** 

Status: in progress

Assessment:

Commitment fulfillment is ongoing. The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport is building a **Central Digital Education Content Platform** (CÚDEO), within which educational resources will be made available primarily for pupils and teachers, as well as for the public.

Representatives of the IT Section of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport presented <u>at</u> <u>the meeting</u>, organized by ÚSV ROS on March 15, 2018, the evaluation of CÚDEO preparations. The platform will have several features available to the users, including:

- authoring portal for teachers who will be able to create their own educational resources from the content available in CÚDEO and distribute them to their pupils,
- an open portal containing educational resources under an open license that will be available to the public.

Pedagogues and pupils will be able to sign in to CÚDEO under their RIAM system credentials, part of the portal will also be available to the general public without the need to log in. A repository of digital educational content, which will contain educational resources with an open license available to all visitors to the portal without the need to log in, is part of the portal. The scheduled launch date is November 1, 2018.

Authors of educational resources (educators, NGOs, publishers) will be able to create their educational resources, or download freely available foreign educational resources and upload them to the repository. It is necessary, however, to set up an evaluation / approval process in a way that it ensures professional quality while being sufficiently fast and flexible. The initial proposal is for the evaluation to be carried out in two phases: first through a certain number of relevant teachers and then through an expert evaluation committee managed by the Ministry of the State or the National Institute for Education (State Pedagogical Institute / ŠPÚ).

CÚDEO will not interfere with the licensing policies of the individual educational resources, i.e. it will be possible to use the resources based on the license under which they will be received by CÚDEO. In the case of the Author Module, all resources generated by the teachers will be shareable under open license. In the case the e-Aktovka resources, these are currently not available under an open license due to the deals with authors / publishers. Discussion should be carried out to provide the same number of digital licenses as the number of provided printed textbooks.

Regarding the functions and user accessibility, it is advisable to include CÚDEO in consultations with relevant actors (educators and teachers).

## <u>Recommendations from the Open Education and Open Science Working Group meeting on May 21,</u> 2018:

1. Test CÚDEO before the November 2018 launch within a test group, composed of end users of the system - educators.

2. Consider co-operation with the Methodological and Pedagogical Centers in training the CÚDEO users CEMC and in collection of feedback (logistics, administration, finance).

**3.** Consider the possibility of training IT staff / IT teachers from individual schools to work with CÚDEO (so-called "Multipliers") who would subsequently provide training for teachers at individual schools, as well as counseling about CÚDEO directly at local schools.

Commitment No. 26: After the establishment of the repository of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic, continuously make available open educational resources under the Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) public license.

Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: ongoing, evaluation on 31 December

Status: in the waiting state

Assessment:

Once the repository is operational, all available open educational resources under the Creative Commons Attribution (CC-BY) will be continually made available to e.g. teachers, other pedagogical staff, regional education professionals, pupils, students, etc.

# <u>Recommendations from the Open Education and Open Science Working Group meeting on May 21,</u> 2018:

1. Consider making open educational resources available to the general public as well.

Commitment No. 27: Reach out to partners who have provided educational resources after 2008 to the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic or to its directly managed organizations, with a suggestion to make educational resources available under the Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) public license.

Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: 31 July 2017

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

In the course of direct negotiation procedures for the publishing of updated textbooks in 2016, the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport requested the applicants to provide or transfer copyright from the authors to the contracting authority. However, the invited bidders refused to transfer these rights, while declaring that they would not grant copyright to any other entity.

During the preparatory market consultation on the procurement of new textbook titles that took place on May 12, 2017, the participating publishers were asked again for the release of existing approved textbooks under the Creative Commons Attribution (CC-BY) public license. All participating publishers declined this access.

The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport informed its directly managed organizations about the necessity to make available open educational resources, including the existing resources, under the Creative Commons Attribution (CC-BY) license.

#### <u>Recommendations from the Open Education and Open Science Working Group meeting on May 21,</u> 2018:

**1.** Focus on knowledge of copyright and licensing rights to improve communication with publishers at an equal partner level.

2. Restore negotiations with partners (publishers) and have Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport request again the change of ownership of license rights - transfer all licensing rights from publishers to Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport.

**3.** Define the publication of all new educational resources under an open license under the public procurement conditions.

## <u>Comment by the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport on individual recommendations</u> (June 7, 2018):

1. The respective employees of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport have relevant knowledge of copyright legislation and are equal partners in communication with publishers.

2. The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport requests to transfer all licensing rights from publishing houses to the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport on a regular basis, every year when purchasing textbook re-editions.

3. MŠVVaŠ SR má v pláne definovať v podmienkach nového verejného obstarávania publikovanie didaktického prostriedku pod otvorenou licenciou.

3. The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport plans to define open license requirements in the conditions of the new public procurement of didactic resources.

Commitment No. 28: Ensure that all contractual relationships for the creation of educational resources funded by public funds under the authority of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic and its subordinate institutions include the condition of the use of a Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) public license.

# Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: execution from 31 March 2017 onwards, evaluation on 31 December

#### Status: not yet satisfied

#### Assessment:

During the preparatory market consultation for the procurement of new textbook titles, which took place on May 12, 2017, the directors of the publishing companies were alerted to the obligation that applies to the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport based on the Intimate no. 61/437/2016. None of the participants who were present expressed the will to participate in the tender under the condition of releasing the work under Creative Commons Attribution (CC-BY) license. Some publishers also expressed their disapproval of providing the work under the terms of CC-BY license through a letter.

In view of the situation described above, the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport in connection with the preparation of the amendment to Act no. 245/2008 Coll. on Education and Training (the Education Act) and on the amendment of certain laws, put forward a proposal for a change that would reflect the commitment to the Agenda 2030, namely to ensure equal access to education at all levels of education. The way of adjustment was proposed by the addition of par. 1 in Section 13: "All educational resources for schools provided by the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic and financed by public funds, may only be procured under the condition of the simultaneous provision of a Creative Commons Attribution (CC-BY) public license, where the author or other rightholder grants users consent to the reproduction, public display, public display and processing (creation of derivative works), provided the name of the author or other rightholder is stated." The amended Act is expected to enter into force in September 2019.

The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport informed its directly managed organizations about the necessity to ensure that all contractual relations for the creation of educational resources financed from public sources under the authority of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Slovak Republic and its subordinate institutions include a condition for the use of public licenses Creative Commons Attribution (CC-BY).

Outputs of national projects for 2017 were published on the websites of the respective national projects, i.e. they are publicly available.

#### Comment of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport from June 7, 2018:

Within the framework of the priority axis Education within the Operational Program Human Resources, three national projects are currently being implemented:

- <u>http://www.dualnysystem.sk/</u>
- <u>http://npsov.mpc-edu.sk/</u>
- <u>http://itakademia.sk/sk/domov/</u>

Projects started to be implemented in 2016 or 2017, respectively. They are multiannual and implemented in accordance with the planned timetable of activities and this also has effect on the publication of outputs. More specifically, if the project contains design and verification of a methodology, this output will only be published after the verification.

# Commitment No. 29: Encourage translation or dubbing of freely available educational resources into the state language or minority languages (especially videos and short films) appropriate from the perspective of the state educational program.

# Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: 30 June 2018

#### Status: partially completed

#### Assessment:

The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport enables, according to the Directive no. 22/2017 (which regulates the procedure of the the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic and its directly managed organizations) the selection and assessment of didactic means, as well as assessment of didactic means translated from other foreign languages from the perspective of the state educational program.

#### Evaluation updated by the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport on June 7, 2018:

The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport has created the conditions for the assessment and use of translations or dubbing in the state language or minority language of freely available foreign educational resources by the adoption of Directive no. 22/2017, which regulates the procedure of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic and its directly managed organizations in the selection and assessment of didactic means from the point of view of the state educational program.

In case of a positive assessment of such didactic means and the subsequent issuance of a recommendation clause for these didactic means, these can be used for education in schools, where education is considered as continuous vocational training.

#### Update by ÚSV ROS:

On February 13, 2018, The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport <u>informed</u> ÚSV ROS about professionally translated educational materials in the field of mathematics from Finland (about 5,500 educational materials), which have been published on the portal of the Planet of Knowledge and made freely available. However, the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport communicates the necessity of creating locally relevant educational resources (such as history, geography,...) in addition to the need for translation and dubbing of educational resources.

## <u>Recommendations from the Open Education and Open Science Working Group meeting on May 21,</u> 2018:

The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport signed the Ministerial Statement at the 2nd World Congress on Open Educational Resources in Ljubljana, Slovenia in September 2017, and signed up to the Ljubljana OER Action Plan 2017 (OER from English Open Educational Resources), but there is currently no concept for the long-term creation of educational resources, or a scheme to support the creation of educational resources.

There is currently no institution in Slovakia that would be responsible for the management of creation of educational resources. Department of Textbook Policy at the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic is responsible for the processing of public procurement for the purchase, printing and re-publishing of textbooks and workbooks for a limited range of subjects, in exceptional cases also for methodological textbooks for teachers. The National Institute for Education (State Pedagogical Institute) assesses the consistency of these textbooks / workbooks with the state

educational program. We do not have information what institution is concerned what \*other\* (new) educational materials could be created and distributed to schools.

On the other hand, all these institutions declare that a teacher is not required to work with a textbook. The question remains what the teacher should work with when no other educational resources are available from the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic.

The fact that an institution responsible for coordinating the creation of educational resources has not been defined leads to the uncontrolled creation of educational resources through various projects. The Ministry does not have an overview of what educational resources are currently available, where they are located, who works with them, and whether or not they are even used. The situation will be partially solved by CÚDEO, but only if all the respective organizations of the that have been addressed provide the outputs of their projects for deposition in CÚDEO. Even as of today we are already aware of the cases where this mutual cooperation has not occurred despite the efforts of the IT department of the Ministry.

At first glance, 5,500 of the Finnish mathematics education materials give the impression of a huge amount, but they are only intended for the lowest level of mathematics (1st-2nd grade in elementary schools). Licensing is also a question because they are under a license of a Slovak legal entity.

# **1.** Identify a body / institution / section that will be responsible for managing the creation of learning resources from the perspectives of subject, content and format.

#### Comment by Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport from June 7, 2018:

The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport is the institution responsible for providing didactic means for all subjects in accordance with the state education programs in schools where education is considered as continuous vocational training.

Commitment No. 30: Propose and carry out pilot program for ensuring availability of university textbooks and similar publications, as well as and scientific journals published by universities under Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) public license through the repository operated by the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic.

Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: December 31, 2018

<u>Status:</u>

Assessment:

It is necessary to first launch the repository at the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic for storing, long-term archiving and access to Slovak scientific and professional publications.

# <u>Recommendations from the Open Education and Open Science Working Group meeting on May 21,</u> 2018:

1. Although the commitment has a delivery date in December 2018, it is imperative to start the work - according to some members of the working group, it is not necessary to wait for the repository to be launched.

Commitment No. 31: Submit to the Government the legislative proposals which will introduce specific rules for open publication and the obligation to provide free access of selected publicly funded publications through the repository of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic.

Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: December 31, 2018

#### Status: in progress

#### Assessment:

At present, the commitment is partially fulfilled in relation to the application of public licenses (for example, Creative Commons) to the final theses <u>under the amendment to Act</u> no. 131/2002 Coll., which was <u>approved</u> at the Government meeting on April 20, 2018.

In relation to the application of public licenses to other types of documents for which public funds have been provided, the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport is not currently preparing a legislative amendment at the moment. University Section and Section of IT and Management of Departmental Data have not yet applied specific requirements for a possible change of legislation in this area.

# <u>Recommendations from the Open Education and Open Science Working Group meeting on May 21,</u> 2018:

1. Focus on real fulfillment of the commitment.

# Commitment No. 32: Analyze the possibility of applying Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) public license as standard for selected works mandatorily published in the Central Registry of Theses and Dissertations.

Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: December 31, 2018

<u>Status:</u> in progress <u>Assessment:</u> The commitment is currently in the process of preparing the analysis.

# <u>Recommendations from the Open Education and Open Science Working Group meeting on May 21,</u> 2018:

1. There is a need for a more detailed assessment of the fulfillment of the commitment at a meeting with the head of the University Section of the Ministry.

# Commitment No. 33: Raise awareness of open educational resources among teachers, other educational staff, professional staff in primary and secondary education, as well as pupils and students.

## **Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: ongoing, evaluation on 31 December**

#### Status:

Assessment:

The Methodological and Pedagogical Center (MPC) as a budget organization of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport, with its three regional and six detached centers, provides continuous education in accredited educational programs and performs attestations of pedagogical staff and professional staff of schools and school facilities.

In accordance with the needs of regional education, it organizes professional seminars, conferences and conducts expert-methodological, consulting and advisory activities. It implements projects funded by the European Union at national and international level.

On its website <u>https://www.mpc-edu.sk</u> MPC publishes the current offer of accredited educational programs, which it implements in the respective school year.

In the 2017/2018 school year, the MPC is offering 154 accredited educational programs, and lecturers as well as participants use digital content as part of education, including publications / learning resources that are available at <a href="https://mpc-edu.sk/publikacie\_vsetky">https://mpc-edu.sk/publikacie\_vsetky</a> These publications and other professional-didactic materials have been authored by MPC staff (e.g. teachers in continuing education) or external staff (such as lecturers, authors of training programs, or guarantors of educational programs).

As part of the implementation of national projects funded by the European Union, learning resources have been created, which are accessible on the websites of individual projects. One of the outputs of the national project Professional and Career Growth of Pedagogical Staff included the creation of professional-didactic materials within as part of the activity Creation of Well-Established Educational / Professional Experience (OSO/OPO). These materials are available online at https://mpc-edu.sk/projekty/pkr and used in education.

As part of the implementation of the national project Inclusive Model of Education at the Pre-Primary Level of the School System, learning resources have been created, published at <a href="http://ucebnezdroje.npmrk2.sk/">http://ucebnezdroje.npmrk2.sk/</a> and are being used in education.

In the implementation of continuous education, professional seminars and other educational activities, lecturers and participants of education (through information and communication technologies) also use open educational resources from other organizations of the education sector, whose overview and their further definition are listed in the following table:

Organization	Web address	Specify the educational resource
National Institute for Education (State Pedagogical Institute)	http://www.statpedu.sk/sk/ publikacna-cinnost/	teaching texts, methodologies and publications intended for pedagogical and professional employees for kindergartens, elementary schools and secondary schools
State Institute for	www.siov.sk	publications for teachers of secondary vocational schools

Vocational		
Education		
National	http://www.nucem.sk/sk/	collections of released tests from international
Institute for	medzinarodne_merania#4/	measurements (PISA, TIMMS,)
Certified	<u>publikacie</u>	
Educational		
Measureme		
nts		
Slovak	http://www.cvtisr.sk/cvti-sr-	access to remote electronic resources
Center of	vedecka-kniznica/	
Scientific	<u>specializovana-vedecka-</u>	
and	kniznica/vzdialeny-pristup-do-e-	
Technical	<pre>zdrojov.html?page_id = 855</pre>	
Information		
IUVENTA	https://www.iuventa.sk/sk/	publications related to the various areas of youth work
	Publikacie.alej	
Research	http://www.vudpap.sk/	methodologies and publications for pedagogical and
Institute for	publikacie/	professional employees dealing with the issue of
Child	https://www.komposyt.sk/	counseling and prevention of socio-pathological
Psychology	<u>kniznica</u>	phenomena in the school environment
and		
Pathopsycho		
logy		

As part of the implementation of training activities, the internal lecturers (UKV), external lecturers as well as training participants (pedagogical and professional employees) use open educational resources for both pedagogical and professional employees, as well as for primary and secondary school pupils. These are available at multiple web addresses (portals).

The following table provides an overview of the used web addresses (portals) which provide open educational resources, as well as their further specification:

Web address	Details of the educational resource
http://www.eaktovka.sk/	The eAktovka portal makes digital textbooks
	accessible to pupils and teachers of elementary and
	secondary schools. Textbooks are accessible free of
	charge and for all who sign up for the portal. In
	addition to the digital versions of textbooks, pupils
	and parents will also find other freely available
	learning resources and recommended literature on
	the portal.
http://planetavedomosti.iedu.sk/	The learning portal Planet of Knowledge contains
	educational materials from mathematics, physics,
	chemistry, biology, geography and natural sciences
	designed for teachers and pupils of elementary and
	secondary schools.

http://www.digitalnevzdelavanie.sk/ vyhladavanie-do	Digital educational materials for general education subjects
http://www.ainova.sk/	Digital educational materials created within the project "eSchool4S" 2014-2016
http://www.sosna.sk/	Digital educational materials published on <u>http://www.sameworld.eu/educational-</u> <u>platform/</u>
http://www.bezpre.sk/	Digital content on safety, prevention and health in schools

# <u>Recommendations from the Open Education and Open Science Working Group meeting on May 21,</u> 2018:

1. Use the potential of MPC for training (teachers) to use CÚDEO / Open Educational Resources.

Commitment No. 34: Publish the outcomes of the approval process of educational resources on the website of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic.

**Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: ongoing, evaluation on 31 December** 

Status: completed

#### Assessment:

On May 15, 2017, the Directive no. 22/2017 entered into force, which regulates the procedure of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic and its directly managed organizations in the selection and assessment of didactic materials. In accordance with this directive, the outcomes of the approval process are published on the Editorial Portal from September 2017 (available at <a href="https://edicnyportal.iedu.sk/Reviews">https://edicnyportal.iedu.sk/Reviews</a>). The possibility of viewing or downloading the outputs of this process is open to the general public. For individual textbooks that have received an endorsement or recommendation clause since the entry into force of the new directive, reports from reviewers (from the register of reviewers), approval protocol, expert opinions, approval or recommendation clauses, are all available in one PDF file.

# Commitment No. 35: To introduce the basic principles of Open Access to scientific publications under a public license under the Operational Program Research and Innovation.

Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: May 31, 2017

#### Status: completed / in progress

#### Assessment:

Rules for open access to scientific publications (OA) under the Operational Program Research and Innovation are currently being drafted, and the individual procedures need to be modified to take account of the conditions and limitations for the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) stemming from the ESIF Management Regulation, Regulation (EU) No. 1303/2013 or Act mo. 343/2015 Coll. on public procurement and on the amendment of certain laws, as well as on the specifics of publishing processes (desk research, self-study).

For the implementation of the Open Access principles, several tasks have been identified that are currently in progress or already completed:

## A. Focus on program support:

a1) the definition of types of research literature for which the applicant will be able to ask for reimbursement of the OA publishing fee
 <u>Status</u>: completed (12/2017)
 Target: management documentation affected by modifications,
 Other prepared documents (a2)

**a2)** creation of Open Access information for Operational Program Research and Innovation applicants and answers to frequently asked questions <u>Status</u>: in progress Target: for publication at www.opvai.sk

## **B.** Application of Open Access in terms of public procurement procedures

OA-related expenses fall under contracts up to €15,000, which results in an obligation for the applicant to conduct a market survey.

**b1)** development of general and specific instructions for conducting market research and the expense statement for Open Access

<u>Status</u>: completed (general instructions) (04/2018), in progress (specific instructions)

Target: A guide to the NFP (non-repayable financial contribution) applicant for calls for Operational Program Research and Innovation, Handbook for the recipient

**b2)** Modification of a sample market survey form <u>Status</u>: completed (04/2018) Target: Annex No. 1.02 of the application for a non-repayable financial contribution

#### C. Eligibility of new expenditure

The reimbursement of Open Access expenditure will be made outside the eligible territory (within the EU, outside the EU), so it will be necessary to finance the expenditure under Article 70 of Regulation (EU) No. 1303/2013.

c1) the use and incorporation of Article 70 for OA expenses

Status: in progress

Target: the wording of the demand-driven call, Operational Program Research and Innovation expenditure eligibility manual

**c2)** setting eligibility conditions for new expenditure (the process follows the form of application of Article 70)

<u>Status</u>: completed (Expenditure Group: 518 - Other Services, Expense Type - OA Expense) (02/2018), in progress (prerequisites and conditions of eligibility)

Target: call and its attachments, Operational Program Research and Innovation expenditure eligibility manual

# <u>Recommendations from the Open Education and Open Science Working Group meeting on May 21,</u> 2018:

1. Set the conditions for applying the OA rules within the European Horizon 2020 document right from the start of the contractual relationship with recipients.

2. Strongly demand that OA be in the level of duty, not voluntary.

3. Ensure funding of OA in scientific publications even after the end of a specific project, as it is likely that some projects will end before the publication of outputs in paid currented magazines and databases.

# <u>Comment by the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport on individual recommendations</u> (June 7, 2018):

1. The dissemination of scientific publications through the use of one of the OA models (green or golden path) will not be an explicit condition of the non-repayable financial contribution contract in the way of H2020 Annotated Model Grant Agreement (H2020 AGA).

Reason: The Operational Program Research and Innovation in its management documentation and calls (initiated by the Research Agency) has been greatly inspired by the conditions for the application of the OA rules set out in Art. 29 and Art. 6.2.D.3 of H2020 AGA, however, the policy integration rate takes into account the legislative requirements that apply to Horizon 2020 and operational programs. The principles of OA use of projects supported by OP Research and Innovation are set out in the non-repayable financial contribution application manuals and annexes which the non-repayable financial contribution applicant / beneficiary must follow when applying open access, but the direct setting of an OA requirement in the Grant Agreement does not have the same (legislative) support as in Horizon 2020.

2. Application of OA will not be mandatory for Operational Program Research and Innovation projects. Reason: Obligation to implement OA within Horizon 2020 stems from EU legislation, Article 43 (2) of Regulation (EU) No. 1290/2013 and Art. Article 18 (1) of Regulation (EU) No. 1291/2013). This was the basis for the subsequent development of the OA principles in the Framework Program, the Rules of Participation and the H2020 AGA. However, the conditions governing the use and dissemination of results are not addressed by the Regulations referring to the European Structural and Investment Funds, in particular the General Regulation or the Specific Regulation on the European Regional Development Fund, which means that OA was not included in the OP Research and Innovation Programming Document, which was approved by the Commission on October 28, 2014. There is no legal basis for establishing OA as an obligation under OP Research and Innovation.

3. Expenses incurred after the completion of the project activities are not eligible for reimbursement.

Reason: The temporal eligibility of expenditure stems from Art. 65 (2) of the General Regulation and the Management System of the European Structural and Investment Funds, Chapters 3.5.1.2 (1), according to which "expenditure must be incurred and paid to the beneficiary between 1 January 2014 and 31 December 2023". The general eligibility period of the expenditure is narrowed down by the relevant call within the terms of the grant contribution (eg. Term of expenditure eligibility; Temporal eligibility of the project implementation).

The beneficiary's publishing activities are linked to a measurable indicator P0762 Number of Publications Created Within the Project, to be stated in the non-repayable financial contribution's request, if indicated therein, and also in the Grant Agreement where it is part of the subject of the grant. Thus, the beneficiary is obliged to fulfill the indicator at the end of the project implementation, i.e. the cumulative number of publications must be reached by the end of the project activities, and therefore the expense for open access must also be incurred before the project activities are completed. Commitment No. 36: Ensure the implementation of public license Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) in the relevant documents, methodologies, manuals and procedures in order to increase their usage by authors and other rights holders in the preparation of scientific papers.

Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: October 31, 2017

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

Applying Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) license to documents, methodologies, manuals and procedures during scientific work is already possible today. Creative Commons licenses, including the latest version 4.0, are valid for Slovak authors and have been translated into Slovak.

In order to disseminate information about the implementation and benefits of open publishing, including the use of Creative Commons licenses, a Contact Office for Open Access was created at the Slovak Center of Scientific and Technical Information (CVTI SR).

The implementation of public Creative Commons (CC) licenses will be supported by adding CC licensing functions to selected information systems supporting the information and communication infrastructure. CVTI SR was tasked with the work within the frameworks of current national projects NISPEZ IV and DC VaV II. The outcomes will include digital repositories designed to store and make available open publications and open research data produced by the science and research community in Slovakia. Selection of one of the licenses, including CC licenses and author attribution when storing open documents and putting them in the repositories will be obligatory for authors and data owners.

Open Access publishing platform will be another information and communication technology (ICT) system to support CC implementation. The platform will be used for publishing OA journals and OA books and will be linked to CVTI SR repositories.

The repositories together with the publishing platform as well as other supported ICT infrastructure will be covered under a common central portal that will enable search in the integrated systems, including repositories and the publishing platform. Infrastructure and individual systems, including the central portal, will be developed over the years 2017 - 2020.

The relevant guidelines of the KEGA and VEGA Sector Grant Agencies have been supplemented by a Recommendation (October 23, 2017) to use the Creative Commons Attribution public license for the published outputs of these projects.

## <u>Recommendations from the Open Education and Open Science Working Group meeting on May 21,</u> 2018:

1. Ensure that all public funding in science and research is linked to an Open Access requirement.

#### Commitment No. 37: Establish Contact Office for Open Access.

Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: March 31, 2017

Status: completed

#### Assessment:

CVTI SR has established a <u>Contact Office</u> for Open Access in its premises within the specialized Scientific library in June 2016. It is funded from the NISPEZ 4 national project implemented by CVTI SR from the Operational Program Research and Innovation. At present it employs 2 employees.

Its role is to methodologically coordinate, to professionally support, and where possible, financially support the publication of open-access scientific and scientific publications in Slovakia, and to provide targeted training activities for librarians and scientific researchers at universities and research institutions.

The working group for Open Access, which includes members from universities, Slovak Academy of Sciences, Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport, as well as the Rector's Conference, has become the advisory body for the OA Contact Office.

Main tasks and activities of the Contact Office:

• to raise awareness of OA issues, particularly among university researchers

• to ensure the systematic fulfillment of the tasks arising from the international projects we are members of - OpenAIRE2020, SCOAP3 and others that will be created in this area during the lifetime of the Contact Office

• to identify the basic issues that need to be addressed at national level in relation to OA

• to ensure the participation and active fulfillment of the commitments in the OGP 2017-2019 national action plan and to develop cooperation between individual actors in the open science and open publishing process

• coordinate Open Science activities and OA issues at the national level

• set up and update your own website <u>http://openaccess.cvtisr.sk/</u> that would summarize all the important information from the OA world and serve as a practical tool for researchers who want to and need to publish OA

• establish and operate an open repository

The contact office has also developed and certified a training course to educate science and research staff about the use of OA in science and education. The 3-day course ends with a certification exam. The courses will begin in May 2018, will be free of charge and implemented under the NISPEZ 4 project.

The culmination of the popularization activities of the Contact Office in 2018 will be the Open Science Week and the OA Annual Conference to be held during the world Open Access Week in October 2018.

# Commitment No. 38: Establish conditions for passportization of open research data under a public license and monitor its implementation in practice.

### **Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: December 31, 2018**

#### Status: continuously fulfilled

#### Assessment:

The survey entitled "Survey on the state of research data, scientific publications and related information and communication technologies in Slovakia" is necessary for the development of a national information infrastructure focused on the acquisition, preservation, accessibility and archiving of research data, scientific publications and gray literature produced in Slovak scientific- research institutions.

The survey is divided into two phases:

#### 1st Phase: an on-line questionnaire designed for 1,600 workplaces

Subjects of the questionnaire:

• universities: all departments of universities (35 universities / 129 faculties / approx. 1100 departments)

- institutes of the Slovak Academy of Sciences: 58 institutes
- private research companies: about 500 companies (selection)

Objects of the whole survey: research data, scientific publications, gray literature, information and communication technologies.

#### 2nd Phase: interviews aimed at researchers (individuals or research teams).

The choice of respondents will be based on the results of the questionnaire. The CRIS database (SK CRIS) is also a resource for the selection of researchers. The goal is to interview about 60-70 respondents.

So far, the preparation of passportization of research data has been carried out in order to know the parameters, place of production, quantification, processing methodology and other parameters of science and research results. An on-line questionnaire was sent to all the designated workplaces. At present, CVTI SR is evaluating the data obtained and continues with contacts over the telephone.

After evaluating the obtained data CVTI SR will publish the results in the form of scientific articles.

The results of the questionnaire on passportization will serve to define the functionality of the repository used for storing, archiving and making available scientific and technical data (Commitment No. 39).

# Commitment No. 39: Establish and operate a repository to provide storage, long-term archiving and access to Slovak scientific and academic publications, research data and gray literature.

Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: December 31, 2018

#### Status: continuously fulfilled

#### Assessment:

The implementation of the repository will be funded under the <u>NISPEZ 4</u> national project. At the beginning of 2018, the preparation of the definition of the functional specifications of the repository and the setting of integration conditions with the existing science and research information systems were carried out.

Upon completion of the functional specifications, CVTI SR will start the process of procurement of the system integrator.

Due to a significant delay in the approval of the national project, there was a delay that was not anticipated at the time of defining the launch date for the repository, and therefore the deadline for completing this commitment will be shifted.

Commitment No. 40: Design systematic benchmarking monitoring mechanisms for the measurement and comparison and propose further analyses related to acquiring, processing and re-use of research data and Open Access scientific publications.

Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: December 31, 2018

Status: continuously fulfilled

Assessment:

This commitment builds on Commitment No. 38. Only after the research on the state of research data, scientific publications and related information and communication technologies in Slovakia will it be possible to objectively propose the benchmarking monitoring mechanisms.

Commitment No. 41: Actively create awareness of the possibilities and advantages of Open Access in the academic community, among educational institutions, but also in the commercial sector, NGOs and among the general public. Also spread awareness about the benefits of open publishing for the Advancement of Science.

# Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: December 31, 2018

#### Status: continuously fulfilled

#### Assessment:

In order to successfully implement the ideas of Open Access, it is essential to work closely with academia, educational institutions as well as with the commercial sphere, non-governmental organizations and the general public. This commitment is carried out by the <u>Open Access Contact</u> <u>Office</u>(see Commitment No. 37), which prepares and implements awareness-raising activities about the opportunities and benefits of open publishing.

Open Science Week in October 2018 will be the culmination of the activities, for which CVTI SR prepares popularization events all over Slovakia for various target groups (schools, the general public, the professional public). The Open Access Contact Office has consulted the proposed activities with the Open Access Working Group in order to get ideas from the real life.

Commitment No. 42: Actively participate in discussion forums, programs and multilateral efforts in Europe and beyond to support the creation, improvement, mutual exchange and reuse of open educational resources; ensure international coordination of the activities in the area.

Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: December 31, 2018

#### Status: continuously fulfilled

#### Assessment:

The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic actively participates in activities supporting the use of open resources principles at the level of the European Commission and its bodies and ensures the implementation of the principles and requirements at national level.

International cooperation is an essential condition for the spread of Open Access. CVTI SR is an active partner of the pan-European project <u>SCOAP 3</u>, which finances open publishing in the field of physics, It is also partner of the ongoing <u>OpenAIRE-ADVANCE</u> project, which serves to disseminate examples of good Open Access practice within EU member states.

In the year 2018 CVTI SR started with the preparation of meetings of negotiators with the so-called Big deals within the Visegrad Four countries that are responsible for providing subscriptions to electronic information resources. The purpose of the meetings will be to coordinate the procedure for the negotiation of subscriptions, with the aim of making the majority of articles for the country available as open access without additional publishing costs.

CVTI SR participates every year in the preparation of the <u>ILIDE international conference program</u>, which presents contributions from renowned experts from the field of open science from prestigious universities and scientific institutions from around the world.

At the annual conference during the worldwide Open Access Week in October 2018, CVTI SR will invite world's top OA experts as well as experts from European institutions providing OA.

# III. Government open to dialogue

Commitment No. 43: Based on a broad dialogue between central government authorities and the civil society, identify public policies that will be created in a participative manner with civil society representatives.

Responsible: the ministers, the head of the Government Office, the heads of other central government bodies, in cooperation with the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society

Deadline: March 31, 2017

## Office of the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society

Status: completed

Assessment:

On the basis of the communication between ÚSV ROS and the central state administration authorities, the following participatory processes were identified as March 2017:

Nr.	Organization	Policy proposal
1	Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>Updating the National Strategy for the Development of Cyclist Transport and Cycle Tourism in the Slovak Republic</li> <li>New Land Planning and Construction Act, including implementing regulations</li> <li>Concept of urban development</li> </ul>
2	Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>Assignment of tax, i.e. the policy in the area of assignment of a share of paid tax for non-profit organizations as determined by Section 50 of Act no. 595/2003 Coll. On Income Tax, as amended</li> <li>Unit of Value for Money - Public engagement in the form of a public consultation on the revision of spending of budget chapters or cross-cutting policies</li> </ul>
3	Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>Economic Policy Strategy</li> <li>Energy policy</li> <li>Raw material policy</li> <li>Policy to improve the business environment</li> </ul>
4	Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic	Draft Action Plan for the Development of Cultural and Creative Industries, with
5	Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>Revision of the Defense Strategy</li> <li>Revision of the Military Strategy</li> </ul>
6	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development	<ul> <li>Public debate on the EU Common Agricultural Policy after 2020</li> </ul>

	of the Slovak	
	Republic	
7	Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>National Action Plan for Children for 2018-2022</li> <li>National strategy to protect children from violence (revision)</li> </ul>
8	Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>The business register policy, which results from the National Business Register project and life situations of business-people</li> <li>Anti-corruption clause policy for draft laws</li> <li>Policy related to the system of institutional provision of public protection and promotion of human rights in the Slovak Republic</li> </ul>
9	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>Concept of youth work development</li> <li>Concept of training and education of children and youth for volunteering</li> </ul>
10	Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic	• Bill amending Act No. 406/2011 Coll. on Volunteering and on Amendments to Certain Laws as amended
11	Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>Areas that are already participatively formed in cooperation with civil society in the implementation of foreign and European policy of the Slovak Republic</li> </ul>
12	Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>Anti-drug policy</li> <li>Long-term care strategy</li> </ul>
13	Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic	• Strategy for Environmental Policy of the Slovak Republic until 2030
14	National Security Authority of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>public policy has not been identified</li> </ul>
15	Antimonopoly	<ul> <li>public policy has not been identified</li> </ul>

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18	Cartography	<ul> <li>public policy has not been identified</li> </ul>
10	and Cadastre	• public policy has not been identified
	of the Slovak	
	Republic	
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	Regulatory	<ul> <li>Amendment of Act No. 541/2004 Coll. on the peaceful use of nuclear energy</li> </ul>
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	Slovak	
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23	Public	<ul> <li>public policy has not been identified</li> </ul>

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	Government	
24	Office of the	<ul> <li>Coordination of the civil service</li> </ul>
24	Slovak	<ul> <li>Area of providing supporting social services</li> </ul>
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### Administration of State Material Reserves of the Slovak Republic

The Administration of State Material Reserves of the Slovak Republic consulted with ÚSV ROS and audited public policies in its own sector, which would be appropriate to create in a participate manner in cooperation with representatives of the civil society. After a thorough analysis, it has been found that there are currently no public policies where participatory cooperation with civil society representatives would be possible.

### National Security Authority

The National Security Authority did not identify any such policies. The main activities of the Office consist in the creation and implementation of state policies in the field of classified information protection, cipher services, cyber security and trusted services. These vital policies create conditions for maintaining state security and therefore can not be public or created participatively.

ÚSV ROS, when necessary, provided consultations to the Ministries and other central public administration authorities during the process of identifying public policies as well as civil society partners. The central public administration authorities have set up working groups at expert level or at state secretary level to create selected public policies.

# Commitment No. 44: Organize trainings in the area of involving the public in the creation of public policies for public servants who will participate in the creation of public policies that have been identified.

# Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: June 30, 2017

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

In 2017, ÚSV ROS <u>organized training</u> "Participatory public policy making: how to do it?" on June 14, June 28, and July 4. Representatives of ministries as well as representatives of other central government bodies were invited. The training invitations were addressed to the persons responsible for implementing the commitments of the OGP NAP 2017-2019. They were defined by the fulfillment of Task No. 65 of Government Resolution No. 104/2017. In each organization, these persons were asked to invite those responsible for participatory creation in the context of Commitment No. 43 and Commitment No. 45 of the above resolution.

The content of the training is based on the Guidelines for Participatory Policy Making, which were approved by the Government of the Slovak Republic by Resolution No. 645/2014 and addresses following areas:

• Participatory public policy making - principles, benefits, challenges, and limits

• How to identify the optimal level of public participation in public policy making under the "Guidelines for Participatory Policy Making"

- How to identify stakeholders
- What tools can be used to engage the public
- Examples of good and bad practice

The content of the training was to familiarize the participants with the principles, benefits, challenges and limitations of participatory public policy making, as well as the legislative base. The participants discussed optimal level of engagement in model situations, learned about identification of stakeholders, and through interactive work they implemented theoretical knowledge in realistic examples of model situations and formulated their views on participatory public policy making, its benefits and obstacles.

The plan has been to have the training attended by more than 40 people from the following organizations: Nuclear Regulatory Authority of the Slovak Republic, Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic, Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic, National Agency for Network and Electronic Services, Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic, Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic, Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic, Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic, Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic, Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic, Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic, Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic, Ministry of Environment of the Slovak Republic, Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic.

# Commitment No. 45: Create public policies identified in accordance with the recommended material "Guidelines for Engaging the Public in Public Policy Making" in cooperation with civil society representatives.

Responsible: the ministers, the head of the Government Office, the heads of other central government bodies, in cooperation with the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society

Deadline: December 31, 2018

<u>Status</u>: continuously fulfilled by individual ministries, their organizations and other central government bodies

Link to detailed continuous evaluation:

https://www.minv.sk/swift\_data/source/rozvoj\_obcianskej\_spolocnosti/otvorene\_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba\_hodnotiaca\_sprava/spolocne\_ulohy/2018-07-30\_B43aB45.pdf

Also available as Appendix No. 9 at the end of this document

#### Update by ÚSV ROS:

ÚSV ROS has initiated the creation of the <u>Good Practice Library</u>, which will capture good experiences but also the hindrances of participatory public policy making. After collecting the documents, the projects will be published and linked to the outputs of the national project <u>Support of Partnership and Dialogue</u> <u>on Participatory Public Policy Making</u>.

# Commitment No. 46: Conduct workshops focused on the exchange of experiences among government employees who participate in the creation of the identified public policies.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: December 31, 2018

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

During the monitored period, ÚSV ROS implemented 11 workshops. They provided information on the processes of participatory public policy making at various levels of public administration: for civil servants and for elected representatives, as well as for regional and local self-government employees. There was a separate block of workshops featuring integrated workshops aimed at promoting dialogue and partnership between the public administration and the NGOs. Within the framework of the implemented workshops, a space for sharing and exchange of experience in the field of participatory public policy making was created.

#### Types of workshops by thematic focus:

- how to participatively create public policies,
- the benefits and risks of the participatory process in the state administration environment,
- planning the development of public spaces in cooperation with the public,
- preventing conflicts of interest in territorial development,
- knowledge skills attitudes and participatory process of public policy making,
- benefits and economic benefits of participation,
- measurement of participation quality, index of quality of dialogue and deliberation,
- managing a quality participatory process,
- participatory call generation.

#### Detailed description of workshops:

Place and date: Bratislava, June 14, 2017, June 28, 2017, July 4, 2017

#### Target group: State administration staff

**Description**: Seminars for selected public administration employees who are involved in the participatory public policy formulation defined in Commitment No. 43 of 2017-2019 OGP National Action Plan or for those who are actively involved in the preparation of public policies (legislative and non-legislative materials) or are planning to form public policies in a participatory manner. The objective of the seminars was not only to raise awareness of the participatory creation, but also to provide practical information on how to plan and conduct participatory public policy-making. Information about the seminars is available <u>on this link</u>.

#### Place and date: Bratislava, November 7, 2017

Target group: State administration staff

**Description**: A workshop focusing on the benefits and risks of the participatory process in the state administration environment and on collecting qualitative data to identify the needs and requirements for further education.

# Place and date: Štrbské Pleso, November 9, 2017

Target group: Elected representatives of local and regional self-government

**Description**: Panel discussion and workshop focused on planning the development of public spaces in cooperation with the public, exchange of experience.

#### Place and date: Podbanské, November 27, 2017

Target group: professional staff of construction offices of local authorities

**Description**: The panel discussion and the workshop introduced participation to those who "do not have participation in their job description or legally embedded in their competencies". Employees of construction offices should, however, be among the participants of the spatial planning process in order to prevent conflicts of interest in territorial development.

#### Place and date: Liptovský Mikuláš, October 10, 2017

**Target group**: Representatives of the public administration and NGOs **Description**: Workshop conducted in the form of a focused discussion, aimed at collecting qualitative data to identify the needs and requirements of public administration and NGOs for education in the field of participatory public policy making and public engagement in its creation.

#### Place and date: Liptovský Mikuláš, January 16, 2018

**Target group**: Representatives of the public administration and the NGOs Description: Presentation of real experience, who and how to get involved in the preparation and creation of calls from the Structural Funds, coupled with discussion.

Place and date: Liptovský Mikuláš, January 16, 2018

**Target group**: Representatives of the public administration and the NGOs **Description**: Presentation related to discussion about the cost of a participatory process, and how we can evaluate the economic and other benefits of participation.

Place and date: Liptovský Mikuláš, January 16, 2018

**Target group**: Representatives of the public administration and the NGOs **Description**: Workshop focused on measuring the quality of participation and the role of communication in the participatory process.

#### Place and date: Liptovský Mikuláš, January 17, 2018

**Target group**: Representatives of the public administration and the NGOs **Description**: Workshop aimed at managing a quality participatory process, introducing Austrian participation standards and the Guidelines for Participatory Policy Making.

#### Plan for the next period:

• to continue the implementation of workshops and consultation meetings at all levels of the government,

• to continue the Active Citizen Academy project launched as an open learning platform primarily for university students and active citizens. Its aim is to develop a sense of citizenship and to highlight the importance of citizen participation in governance,

• to support the implementation of workshops that involve representatives of the public administration and NGOs involved in the creation of specific public policies,

• to ensure the preparation and creation of a knowledge base that will be available 24/7, free of charge, in an understandable and user-friendly manner in order to provide support to target groups

#### Conclusion:

The workshops were an important part of mapping the current state of knowledge, skills and attitudes of public administration employees about participatory processes. This has become an important part of creating a profile of the course graduate and for creating syllables of a new education program aimed at capacity building in the field of participatory public policy making in the public administration environment.

### Commitment No. 47: Evaluate identified participatory processes of creation and implementation of public policies and disseminate examples of good practice based on this evaluation.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: May 31, 2019

#### <u>Status:</u>

#### Assessment:

Evaluating the processes of public policy making and implementation is linked to identified public policies in Commitment No. 43 of this National Action Plan. From the processes of evaluating participatory processes under the previous OGP National Action Plans, it is demonstrable that their substantive and analytical evaluation deepens the understanding of the needs of the stakeholders involved, improves their mutual relationship and the exchange of practical information.

#### Procedure for Evaluating this commitment so far:

# The first collection of information on participatory public policy making at the level of central public administration authorities as of December 5, 2017.

As a summary of the information on the implementation of participatory processes for the creation and implementation of the identified policies, a material for the members of the working group on participation has been created by ÚSV ROS on December 5, 2017.

#### Second collection of information in the mid-term evaluation process

On April 17, 2018, ÚSV ROS organized a meeting of those responsible for the participatory preparation of public policies. The goal was to discuss the collection of data on preferred topics and forms of support for participatory public policy making [1], as well as setting up semi-structured interviews with selected stakeholders involved in the public policy process in a participatory way. In May 2018, we anticipate the process of selecting external co-workers and their data collection training, which should begin in June 2018 and conclude in the third quarter of 2018. As part of the process of evaluating identified processes of participatory public policy making, data, analytical and methodical outputs from the national project Participation will also be used [2].

Information on the progress of selected government departments to fulfill the Commitment No. 45 as of December 2017:

#### Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic Construction Act

### The Draft Bill on Construction and the Draft Bill on Spatial Planning are in the process of preparation and

consultation with the professional public. This process will last at least until summer 2018, then in 2018 (consequently as well as in parallel), the law will be consulted with representatives of the civil society and non-governmental organizations (citizens with disabilities, etc.) [3].

The Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic established a so-called an expertlegislative working group, which met on November 29, 2017. The invitation states that during the preparation of the new legislation, we are also aware of the significant need for wider professional (but also legislative) discussion to achieve a balanced social consensus.

#### Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic

#### I. Strategy of Economic Policy of the Slovak Republic until 2030

In September 2016, a coordination group was set up to prepare the document Strategy of the Economic Policy of the Slovak Republic until 2030, composed of representatives of the state administration as well as representatives of science and research and employers' associations. Due to the inter-departmental reach and cross-sectional content, the Ministry of Economy also cooperates with the relevant government departments and state administration authorities. The document is currently under assessment of environmental impacts, including impacts on human health (SEA). The Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic proposed to cancel the elaboration of Strategy of Economic Policy by the end of December 2017, as the same task was imposed on the Minister of Economy by the Government Resolution No. 111 of March 1, 2017, point B.5 on the Proposal for a Road Map to the National Infrastructure Plan for the years 2018 - 2030 with deadline for completion until June 30, 2018. The formulation of this task and the timing of its implementation resulted from the material approval process, with the goal of bringing the strategy into line with prepared strategic planning principles, and also to reflect the draft of the national implementation of the Agenda 2030. Due to these reasons, the Ministry of Economy will submit the Strategy of Economic Policy of the Slovak Republic until 2030 to the Government by June 30, 2018.

#### II. Raw materials policy of the Slovak Republic

In the formulation of the raw materials policy, we note that the processes that still preclude its acceptance as a strategic material of the government of the Slovak Republic have a character which, in the Guidelines for Participatory Policy Making, is characterized in the second scenario where the public participates in the debate on public policy alternatives.

A long-term discussion has been taking place in the preparation of raw materials policy since 2012, working groups have been set up to propose and pursue various approaches to the raw materials policy, ranging from the update of the existing policy to the design of a new raw material policy. A broad spectrum of opinions of the stakeholders - e.g. direct participants, experts in geology and mining (especially non-energy), have been obtained from the discussions and information gathering. The assessment of the consultations with experts led to the decision to prepare the raw materials policy as part within the framework of the government's manifesto. Some attitudes of the public, antagonistic to the views of the professional public, have been accepted as a motivation to use the existing negatives for the creation of policy starting points which would allow the implementation of the policy objectives in a positive way. At present a material has been prepared, which will be subject to assessment in the SEA process. The assessment process will be publicly accessible, like all existing steps from the communication on the preparation of the strategic document, the publication of the scope of assessment, and the adoption of comments on the scope of the assessment. The follow-up steps correspond to the requirements of the Slovak Government's legislative rules which reflect the need to involve the public in public policy making.

On the consultation and discussion level of participation, mainly traditional tools have been used:

• <u>Ad hoc personal consultations with selected experts</u> - selected experts were nominated by the Mining Chamber, Slovak Mining Company, the Slovak Geological Society, representatives of universities, the academia, and the State Geological Institute of Dionýz Štúr.

• Evaluation of documents in working groups

a. Two working groups were working on the preparation; the second working group is still active, and the activity happens not only during official sessions, but the main activity is happening outside of the meetings.

b. Accepting professional partners for the preparation and creation of conceptual and planning documents The National Technology Platform for Research, Development and Innovations in the Mineral Resources together with the Faculty of Mining, Ecology, Process Control and Geotechnologies (BERG TU), which received an acceptance letter from the Minister of Economy, accepting the NTP VVIS and BERG Faculty as a specialist partner in the processing of raw materials and energy as well as a partner in the preparation of conceptual and planning documents.

• <u>Wide professional discussions within conferences and round tables</u>. Major conferences dealing with the issue of raw materials policy with active participation of the Ministry of Economy:

• Responsible Production and Use of Metallic Raw Materials, Bratislava, October 6-7, 2015. The conference was part of the project Time for Change: Promoting Sustainable Production and Consumption of Raw Materials in the Context of EYD 2015 and Beyond, involving 13 international partners with an emphasis on the Member States of the European Union.

• Sustainability of mineral resources and environment Bratislava, October 2016

Raw Materials Day, October 2015, TU Košice

• Raw material policy, extraction and processing of mineral raw materials in Slovakia, May 12-13, 2016, Slovak Technical Museum Košice

Raw materials SR - Sustainability and Potential, May 2013 ŠGUDŠ Bratislava

• International Seminar on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the foundation of the Department of Geology of Mineral Deposits, held on October 30, 2012 at the Faculty of Natural Sciences in Bratislava, Mlynská dolina

• International conferences of the Slovak Mining Company 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 Repiská, Low Tatras

 Professional seminars of SZVK (Slovak Association of Aggregate Producers) on the problems of raw materials policy 2013-2017 Nový Smokovec

• Information meeting "The European Innovation Partnership for Raw Materials and the EU Horizon 2020 Program"

• 23rd meeting of representatives of EU State Mining Administrations on the topic "Raw Materials Policy and its Impact on Mining of Mineral Deposits", Bratislava September 2017.

#### Policy to Improve the Business Environment

Business entities (not the general public as such) are the affected parties and the material creation process has been set up from the point of view of entrepreneurs. Approximately 400 suggested proposals collected from the business sphere were considered during the drafting of the measures. These were proposals that were not solved for a number of reasons in the previous period. Suggestions were received, for example, in the form of letters addressed to the Ministry of Economy by the business community, the results of the survey Bureaucratic Nonsense of the Year, the Program Statement of the Government of the Slovak Republic for 2016-2020, International Comparison of Doing Business Indicators, the competitiveness index of the World Economic Forum, the analysis of critical areas of regulations affecting the business life cycle, the results of measurement of administrative costs of doing business, as well as the Businessfriendly.sk web portal. The collected incentives were subsequently selected and summarized in related units according to their recency as well as impact on the business

environment. On the basis of these criteria, some 145 proposals were identified - problematic areas for businesses, which were internally consulted with the relevant ministries and central state administration bodies. A total of 35 concrete proposals for action were presented for further assessment and elaboration with the business community. The Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic has set up an interdepartmental working group at the highest level for Doing Business, whose members are representatives of central state administration bodies whose activities influence the business environment in the Slovak Republic. The first meeting of the interdepartmental working group was held on October 4, 2016. On March 17, 2017 a joint meeting of representatives of entrepreneurs and the interdepartmental working group took place at the Ministry of the Economy. Businessmen were represented by AZZZ, RÚZ, PAS, SOPK, Club 500, SŽZ, SAF, and SAMP, among others. From March 6 to March 17, 2017, and subsequently during their joint meeting on March 17, 2017, representatives of entrepreneurs contributed their proposals and comments on the individual draft measures. Each measure was consulted independently. The businesspeople identified the top 15 proposals from the list of top 35 which they perceived as the most important.

#### Improving the business environment

The material is the result of consultations with the representatives of the central state administration authorities and the representatives of the business community. In addition, during the document creation, individual discussions and consultations were conducted with the bodies involved in impact assessment and participatory public policy making, as well as representatives of the Initiative for the Rule of Law and the Association of Entrepreneurs of Slovakia, who expressed interest in participating in the consultation process. Bilateral meetings were also held at ÚSV ROS and with the members of the Permanent Working Commission of the LRV SR for the assessment of selected impacts at the Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic. At the same time, the content proposal, in order to request for proposals and suggestions for the preparation of the document, was submitted for public consultation through the preliminary information published on Slov-Lex portal under No. PI/2017/170. The website of the Ministry of Economy held a public consultation on the preparation of the document. The Ministry of Economy did not record any suggestions or proposals from the public in reaction to these activities. The material was presented to the wider professional public on November 8, 2017 at the first international conference under the auspices of the Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic, Small and Medium Sized Enterprises in the European Economic Area, which took place at the premises of the University of Economics in Bratislava. The material was then submitted to the MPK (unterdepartmental public consultation) until November 30, 2017.

#### Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic

## The Draft Action Plan for the Development of Cultural and Creative Industries, with a primary focus on the development and promotion of internationalization and cross-sectoral innovation.

The Ministry of Culture has so far conducted two stakeholder meetings, waits for the evaluation of tasks, and will then start to draw up an action plan according to the methodology of the foreign partners. The aim is to set up more effective public policies in the area of cultural and creative industries, with an emphasis on the development and support of internationalization and cross-sectoral innovations implemented at different levels throughout the Slovak Republic.

For the preparation of the Action Plan, a stakeholder group was set up to actively participate in the action plan preparation process. It is composed of representatives of the state administration, associations and professional associations. The project also includes an international dimension in the form of feedback from the foreign partners of the CREADIS3 project. The action plan is an output of this project.

The Stakeholder Group will be involved in the whole process of plan preparation. The outcomes of the working group on specific proposals for measures will be consulted with a group of experts representing the different sectors of the cultural and creative industries in the form of providing comments to engage the professional public and the subsequent effective implementation of the proposed measures.

Preliminary timetable for the action plan creation:

• 2017: document preparation - mapping, setting up a working group, giving account for the current Creative Industry Development Action Plan,

• 2018: stakeholder group working meetings, working meetings with a group of experts representing individual sectors of the cultural and creative industries (commenting on the proposal and concrete measures), consultations with the CREADIS3 foreign partner (procedure, proposals for solutions),

• 2019: Commenting on the draft action plan by the CREADIS3 foreign partner, internal feedback, external feedback, submission to the Government.

#### Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic

#### Public debate on the Common Agricultural Policy of the European Union after 2020

In February 2017, the European Commission opened a three-month public consultation, which represented the first phase of modernization and simplification of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP).

The public consultation took place for 12 weeks during which farmers, citizens, organizations and all stakeholders had the opportunity to comment on the future of the CAP. The Commission used the input from this consultation to draft a Communication to be submitted by the end of 2017 (expected November 29, 2017), containing the conclusions on the current functioning of the CAP and future policy options based on reliable evidence.

The results of the public consultation, involving also 3 132 respondents from Slovakia, were presented by Commissioner Hogan at a conference in Brussels in July 2017. The results are available <u>on this link</u> and <u>on this link</u>. At present, preparations of the new CAP for the 2020-2027 programming period are taking place at European level. This will fundamentally influence the direction of Slovak agriculture.

The issue of the future of the CAP after 2020 should be dealt with by the Institute of Agricultural Policy, which was established at the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development on November 15, 2017. Its mission will be to improve the Ministry's decision-making through analyses, data and evidence in the areas of agriculture, food, forestry and rural development. The Institute will also provide analyses and forecasts for the Slovak Government and the public. The priorities for the next Institute of Agricultural Policy after 2020.

#### Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic

#### **National Action Plan for Children**

The preparation of the National Action Plan for Children, which is based on the current National Action Plan for Children for 2013-2017, is the responsibility of the Working Group of the Committee for Children and Youth of the Government Council of the Slovak Government for Human Rights, National Minorities and Gender Equality from July 2017 until June 2018.

The work of the Working Group tasked with the preparation of the National Action Plan for Children is closely coordinated with the work of another Working Group of the Committee for Children and Youth, tasked to develop a proposal for a mechanism for the participation of children and young people in policy making and monitoring the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. In order to align the system of strategic planning with the program budgeting system, the work of the Working Group will be coordinated with the work of the working to identify the mechanism for monitoring and allocating resources from the public budget for the protection of children and families. Estimated activities of the initial phase of material preparation - data collection and baseline analysis

(December 2017 - March 2018): preparatory team will

• draw up a plan for preparatory work and the intention to collect data,

• perform data collection based on the intention to collect data and summarize the findings in the input report, which analyzes the content starting points of material creation,

• based on the content of the input report, draw up a National Action Plan for Children, which defines the framework of the material and mentions the strategic objectives of the material.

The opening meeting of the working group (preparatory team) responsible for the preparation of the National Action Plan for Children took place on December 8, 2017.

### Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic

#### **Environmental Policy Strategy by 2030**

During March and April 2017, the Institute of Environmental Policy (IEP) organized first working meetings of expert working groups divided by the main components of the environment and the factors most affected by them (water, geology and environmental burdens, biodiversity, soil and forests, energy, climate and the air, the green economy, and waste). There we presented the basic objectives, framework and procedure for the elaboration, commenting and approval of the Envirostrategy 2030. From the first meetings, among other things, there was a need to extend the content with a separate chapter that would address the environmental education at different levels. From the members of the working groups, we have so far received over 70 materials and suggestions. In addition, between February 13 and the end of April 2017 we organized a public online consultation where the general public could send their recommendations and suggestions. Overall, we received it <u>729 suggestions</u>. We are currently working on the analytical part, objectives and recommendations based on the input from the members of the working groups, other external consultants, but also the general public. Incorporating inputs of the working group members will be subject to verifiability of the proposals, which should be supported with their own expert analysis or references to the relevant studies, practical examples and so on. Proposals should also be consistent with national and international long-term objectives in individual areas if they are currently approved. The IEP will send the first draft to the members of the working groups and then subsequently organize the meetings in which proposals will be consulted, both the incorporated as well as the unincorporated parts. The first draft will then be

published, providing space for expressing feedback also to the general public through online commenting.

We have officially launched a new Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) process for Envirostrategy 2030 - Strategic Document Notification. The announcement is published <u>on this link</u>, as well on the <u>website of the Ministry of the Environment</u>. All the current information about the environmental strategy is available <u>on this link</u>.

# Office of the Deputy Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic for Investment and Informatization Data Act

The Data Act is to be submitted only in December 2018, so it is not a priority at this time, and there are other commitments with an earlier date of fulfillment.

# Commitment No. 48: Promote partnership and dialogue between public authorities, citizens and NGOs at national, regional and local level in the area of participatory public policy-making.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: June 30, 2019

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

In April 2017, in support of the partnership between the public administration and the civil society, ÚSV ROS launched a national project <u>Promoting partnership and dialogue on participatory public policy</u> <u>making</u>. The project is funded by the Efficient Public Administration Operational Program with an allocation of 2.35 mil. EUR for a period of three years. It is intended for representatives of state administration, self-government at the level of municipalities, cities and self-governing regions, for legal entities, especially NGOs and for citizens themselves.

#### The project consists of two main parts:

#### 1. participatory creation of 12 pilot public policies

This part verifies innovative mechanisms of participatory public policy-making at four levels - national, regional, micro-regional, and local, in various segments of public policy-making. It puts into practice and verifies innovative practices, scenarios and tools for participatory public policy making in a wide range of topics - social inclusion, open data, sustainable mobility, children and youth, inter-municipal cooperation, use of public spaces, waste management, environmental education and education.

# 2. analytical-methodological-legislative support for the introduction of participatory public policy making into practice

This section is divided into several parts:

• analysis of current state and participation - mainly systematic and targeted collection, summation and interpretation of relevant data

- Legislation mapping the current legislative environment on the topic of participation,
- capacity building, particularly on the public administration side,

• activities to support participation - providing support for the promotion of participatory processes in practice, with an emphasis on managed communication, information, educational activities and events, such as discussions, education, online tools, social games, newsletters).

# Commitment No. 49: Propose a recommendation of internal guidelines on the use of free on-line tools in participatory creation of public policies.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: March 31, 2018

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

Public participation in public affairs is one of the core topics to which ÚSV ROS is devoted. When a larger number of stakeholders communicate, whether they are from public administration or they are other actors (from scientific institutions, non-governmental organizations, individual citizens, business sector, etc.), one of the key factors is the choice of effective communication tools.

From the previous experience of ÚSV ROS, it is clear that the internal directives of the public administrations on the use of the Internet and intranet do not deal with the possibility of using free online tools in the creation of public policies. However, it is necessary for the public administration to respond to the transformation of society, which has also been affected by the development of information and communication technologies, and use such tools.

ÚSV ROS has therefore developed a study which informs about existing free online tools for effective cooperation of multiple people on document creation. The study will serve as a recommendation for an internal directive on the use of free online tools for participatory public policy making.

We will continue to communicate with the relevant representatives of individual central government authorities, especially with representatives of the IT departments, who are professional guarantors in eliminating security risks. Our goal is that tools such as Google Drive and Skype calls become a regular part of the work of public administration employees. We believe that the use of such online tools in public policy-making (e.g. drafting of legislation, strategies, action plans, projects, programs, etc.) reduces the cost of participatory public policy-making and makes it easier to get feedback stakeholders from the external environment throughout the public policy making process.

The recommendation will also be published on our website.

#### **Commitment No. 50: Create learning tools in the field of participation.**

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: June 30, 2019

Status: in progress

#### Assessment:

The creation of educational tools is one of the main priorities of the national project <u>Supporting</u> <u>Partnership and Dialogue in the Field of Participatory Public Policy Making</u> that is being currently implemented (link to Commitment No. 48). Instruments are being created on a continuous basis, they are also continuously tested on various seminars and workshops, so that they reflect the reality of the Slovak environment.

# Commitment No. 51: Use educational tools about participation in formal education using informal learning methods.

Responsible: Minister of Education, Science, Research and Sport Deadline: December 31, 2019

Status: in progress

Assessment:

Regular updating of information in the <u>Continuous Education Information System</u>. The instruction to develop the application for accreditation of the training program is published and regularly updated <u>on</u> <u>this link</u>.

Commitment No. 52: Develop recommendations for embedding participatory processes into organizational processes, internal guidelines and other documents for the needs of central government bodies.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society in cooperation with the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of the Interior Deadline: December 31, 2018

Status: in progress

Assessment:

The fulfillment of this commitment also builds on Commitment No. 48 and on the implementation of the national project <u>Promoting Partnership and Dialogue in the Field of Participatory Public Policy Making</u>. Recommendations will be prepared within the set deadline.

### **IV. Open justice**

Commitment No. 53: Reassess the implementation of the publication of assessments of judges in terms of the clarity and making further analysis easier.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister of Justice Deadline: December 31, 2017

<u>Status:</u> completed <u>Review:</u> The assessments of judges are available <u>on this link</u>.

#### Transparency International Review and Recommendations from May 18, 2018:

The commitment can be qualified as completed, as qualitative assessments of judges are currently published on the <u>website of the Ministry of Justice</u>.

However, it is necessary to point out the repeated malfunctioning of the Ministry of Justice website where <u>annual statistical reports of judges</u>, which represent a quantitative form of assessment of judges, are published.

Smaller deficiencies can also be found on the website of the Ministry of Justice dedicated to the publication of judges' qualitative assessments. Filtering of assessments is available on the basis of a judge's status (active / inactive), but several active judges are inaccurately listed as inactive.

#### Commitment No. 54: Specify which court decisions do not need to be published.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister of Justice Deadline: July 31, 2017

Status: completed

#### Assessment:

Payment orders were excluded from publication by Act No. 301/2006 Coll., Amending Act No. 757/2004 Coll. on the courts and on the amendment of certain laws as amended.

#### Transparency International Review and Recommendations from May 18, 2018:

Effective January 1, 2017, payment orders were removed from the disclosure obligations in court decisions. In this respect, the commitment by the Ministry of Justice can be considered completed.

However, we consider it necessary to draw attention to the inadequate implementation of this amendment to the Act on Courts. Despite the exemption from mandatory disclosure, up to 36,056 payment orders were published in the period from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 and another 4,412 payment orders in the period from January 1, 2018 to May 18, 2018. The amount of payment orders that have been disclosed is not evenly distributed across the Slovak Republic.

Region	Number of payment orders published (January 1, 2017 – May 18, 2018);
Košice	10 533
Banská Bystrica	10 206
Nitra	5 803
Bratislava	5 464
Prešov	2 977
Trnava	2 252
Trenčín	1 743
Žilina	1 490
TOGETHER:	40 468

Table 1: Number of payment orders published, source: InfoSúd

In order to fulfill the purpose of the amendment, it is also necessary to raise awareness in the courts responsible for the publication of decisions, in particular among administrative staff, in order to avoid unnecessary disclosure of this kind of judicial decisions, where court staff spend time unnecessarily on anonymizing data to the detriment of other tasks.

Commitment No. 55: Specify the types of submissions that are appropriate to formalize, design standardized forms for selected submissions, and publish the standardized submissions electronically at the website of the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic, the central public administration portal and the Slov-Lex legal and information portal.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister of Justice Deadline: ongoing, evaluation on 31 December

Status: in progress

Assessment:

The commitment is ongoing, work is currently underway on an electronic claim form / motion to initiate proceedings, a proposal for an urgent / precautionary measure and a general submission.

Commitment No. 56: In a participatory manner, prepare draft legislative changes to determine the authority to supervise the fluency of disciplinary proceedings and to ensure a rigorous, swift and effective application of the disciplinary responsibility of judges and submit them to the Government.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister of Justice Deadline: June 30, 2018

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

Act no. 152/2017 Coll., Amending Act No. 385/2000 Coll. on Judges and Adjudicators and on Amendments to Certain Laws as amended and amending certain laws.

#### **Transparency International Review and Recommendations from May 18, 2018:**

We consider the commitment to be formally completed, as the <u>legal</u> status of the Judicial Council of the Slovak Republic has been adjusted to observe and supervise the observance of the principles of dignity of the disciplinary proceedings and the smoothness of the disciplinary proceedings. However, it is necessary to draw attention to the wider context of shortcomings in the disciplinary procedures.

The introduced <u>measure</u> only deals with the supervision of disciplinary proceedings at the stage after the submission of the petition by a privileged prosecutor, but does not have any impact on the stage between the commission of the disciplinary offense and the filing of the petition. Thus, the amendment does not guarantee that there will be disciplinary liability for disciplinary offenses, since filing a disciplinary proposal is conditional on the will of a privileged prosecutor.

An example is the non-opening of disciplinary proceedings for committing a disciplinary offense under Section 116 Article 1 f) of the Judges and Adjudicators Act, or serious disciplinary offense under Section 116 Article 2 g) in connection with incomplete statements of judges on close relatives employed in courts or the Ministry of Justice ("family ties"). At present, there is no control mechanism at the level of the Judicial Council or the Ministry of Justice, which would ensure the checking of the completeness and correctness of the statements of judges pursuant to Section 31 Article 1 of the Judges and Adjudicators Act. Without the knowledge of specific judges who fail to fulfill their obligation to declare family ties, it is not possible even for the privileged prosecutors to make a disciplinary proposal. From our own investigative activity, we know that many judges violate this duty.

If the objective of this commitment was to increase the effectiveness of disciplinary proceedings, we believe that this goal can be fulfilled, as long as in addition to overseeing the fluency of disciplinary proceedings, effective mechanisms are in place to monitor compliance with the obligations of judges that is insured by disciplinary responsibility for their violation.

# Commitment No. 57: In a participatory manner, prepare draft legislative changes to ensure greater public scrutiny of the election of the heads of courts, judges and judicial staff and present them to the Government.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister of Justice Deadline: June 30, 2018

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

Act No. 152/2017 Coll., Amending Act No. 385/2000 Coll. on the Judges and Adjudicators and on Amendments to Certain Laws as amended and amending certain laws, and Decree of the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic No. 160/2017 Z. z. laying down details of the selection procedure for the office of judge.

#### **Transparency International Review and Recommendations from May 18, 2018:**

We consider the commitment to be only partially fulfilled. In the evaluation, the said <u>amendment to the</u> <u>Act on Judges and Adjudicators</u> has reformed the process of selecting judges by introducing so-called collective selection procedures, but no selection of other judicial staff (e.g. senior magistrates) has been affected.

First of all, it is worth noting that we are in favor of the idea of introducing collective selections for judges, as the results of the first round of competitions held in late 2017 suggest that they <u>have the</u> <u>potential to contribute</u> to preventing the growth of family ties in the judiciary.

Secondly, we consider it necessary to adjust the selection procedures for the positions of senior magistrates in the future and to introduce the same high standard of transparency allowing public scrutiny. Previous research has shown that if a candidate for a judge has served as a senior magistrate at a court in which at least one member of the selection committee operates, he or she had *ceteris paribus* a 4 times higher probability of success in the selection procedure than others. This suggests that in the selection processes for judges, not only knowledge and skills of the applicants play a role, but also their cultural and social capital. Therefore, it is necessary **to open the process of selecting senior magistrates to public scrutiny** in order to bring the best lawyers to the judiciary.

Commitment No. 58: Prepare and submit to the Government a draft of the Act amending Act No. 154/2001 Coll. On prosecutors and Lawyers of the Public Prosecutor's, that will ensure the publication of the place of office of individual prosecutors.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister of Justice in cooperation with the Attorney-General

Deadline: July 31, 2018

Status: in progress

Assessment:

To fulfill these commitments, it was agreed with the Minister of Justice, responsible for the fulfillment of these commitments, to set up an expert working group of representatives of the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic and the General Prosecution of the Slovak Republic.

# Commitment No. 59: Create draft legislation to extend the right to recommend candidates for the post of Attorney-General.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister of Justice in cooperation with the Attorney-General

Deadline: July 31, 2018

Status: in progress

Assessment:

To fulfill these commitments, it was agreed with the Minister of Justice, responsible for the fulfillment of these commitments, to set up an expert working group of representatives of the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic and the General Prosecution of the Slovak Republic.

Commitment No. 60: In a participatory manner, conduct an analysis of disciplinary proceedings in prosecutors' affairs and create draft legislative changes in order to increase the transparency of these disciplinary proceedings.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister of Justice in cooperation with the Attorney-General

Deadline: July 31, 2018

Status: in progress

Assessment:

The Prosecutor General's Office conducted an analysis of disciplinary proceedings in prosecutors' cases for the period 2009-2017. At the same time it identified the need for legislative changes concerning the legislation on the disciplinary proceedings in cases of prosecutors. This knowledge will be used to update the relevant legislation.

# Commitment No. 61: In a participatory manner, analyze the selection procedures for the prosecutor's office, including draft legislative changes, in order to increase their transparency.

Responsible: Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister of Justice in cooperation with the Attorney-General

Deadline: July 31, 2018

#### Status: in progress

Assessment:

The General Prosecutor's Office prepared an analysis of the selection procedures for the offices of prosecutors and prosecutor trainees. The lessons learned from the analysis as well as from the practice of selection procedures will be used to update the relevant legislation.

### V. Application practice

Commitment No. 62: Raise public awareness in the field of reporting of anti-social activities and on the basis of the results of regular evaluations of application practice of Act no. 307/2014 Coll. On certain measures related to the reporting of anti-social activities and on the amendment of some laws, or to propose amendments to the legislation.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society in cooperation with the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of the Interior and the Slovak National Center for Human Rights

Deadline: ongoing, evaluation on March 31

#### Status: completed

#### Assessment:

The plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of the Slovak Republic for the Development of Civil Society (hereinafter referred to as the "Government Plenipotentiary") initiated an introductory meeting with the Executive Director of the Slovak Center for Human Rights ("SNSL'P") Mrs. Szabova and laywer of SNSL'P, Mr. Cenkner. As a result of the meeting, a list of activities will be jointly undertaken by ÚSV ROS in cooperation with SNSL'P during the implementation of Open Government Partnership National Action Plan for the years 2017-2019, as it is a systematic activity with an assessment date every year until March 31, 2017.

The Plenipotentiary also initiated a meeting with representatives of non-governmental non-profit organizations (Fair Play Alliance, Transparency International, Stop Corruption Foundation), which are engaged in this issue in order to define possible cooperation in raising awareness.

The meeting resulted in the initial joint panel discussion, "The two-year existence of the Whistleblowers Act. What has the application practice shown?" The panel discussion is organized in cooperation with the Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences of Comenius University and is actively attended by Michal Cenkner from SNSL'P, Barbora Tholtová from Transparency International Slovakia, Marianna Leontiev from the Stop Corruption Foundation and Iveta Ferčíková from ÚSV ROS. The invitation to the panel discussion was published on the ÚSV ROS website.

In connection with the draft legislative changes, the representative of the Government Plenipotentiary reached out to the President of the Police Force, Mr. Tibor Gašpar and the General Director of the Inspection Section of the Ministry of Interior, Mr. Milan Lúčanský with a request for co-operation on the fulfillment of this commitment. The subject of the request was to formulate any proposals to amend the legislation in question on the basis of their professional experience, data and findings. These materials will serve as an expert input into the discussion on possible draft amendments to the legislation in order to improve it.

As a systematic activity, further awareness-raising activities will be carried out during the implementation of the Open Government Partnership National Action Plan 2017-2019 and regularly evaluated on March 31 each year.

During the period between April 2017 and March 2018, ÚSV ROS organized a number of activities:

In April 2017, ÚSV ROS, in cooperation with the Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences of the Comenius University, organized a panel discussion "The two-year existence of the Whistleblowers Act. What has the application practice shown?" The discussion was attended by Barbora Tholtová (Transparency International Slovakia), Marianna Leontiev (Stop Corruption Foundation), Michal Cenkner (Slovak National Center for Human Rights) and Iveta Ferčíková (ÚSV ROS).

In April and May 2017, several meetings with representatives of Transparency International Slovakia, Stop Corruption Foundation and Fair-Play Alliance took place at ÚSV ROS. At the meetings, we discussed the possibilities of amending legislation regulating the protection of whistleblowers and further cooperation in the field of reporting anti-social activities.

In May 2017, the Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society, Martin Giertl, and the Director of the Legal Aid Center, Eva Kováčechová, talked about experiences of the Legal Aid Center with the application of the law, raising awareness about the issue of anti-social activity and recommendations on changes in legislation in the interest of higher and more effective protection of whistleblowers.

In May 2017, we took part in the working seminar "Protection of Corruption Whistleblowers", organized by the Office of the Government of the Slovak Republic under the auspices of the Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic Robert Fico, who spoke at the seminar and announced the establishment of cooperation between the Government of the Slovak Republic and the OECD in analyzing the anti-corruption legislation of the Slovak Republic and suggestions for its improvement.

In May 2017, ÚSV ROS also prepared a document entitled "Proposals for Strengthening the Protection of the Whistleblower Reporting Anti-Social Activities", which contains the proposals of ÚSV ROS for partial amendment of Act No. 307/2014 Coll. The document also contains a section titled "Analysis of legal remedies for the protection of whistleblowers", which was developed to raise public awareness.

In the months from May to July 2017, ÚSV ROS cooperated with the Stop Corruption Foundation to create the website akooznamit.sk, which is to serve mainly the potential notifiers of corruption and other anti-social activities, as well as the general public. The website provides advice on how to report corruption, how to ask for protection, or how to claim rewards. The public will also find contacts to organizations helping the whistleblowers as well as state entities in whose scope whistleblowing lies. Also, useful forms for download and examples of good practice are available on the site.

In June 2017, the Plenipotentiary of the Government of the Slovak Government for the Development of Civil Society Martin Giertl met several times with the newly appointed Director of the Office for the Prevention of Corruption of the Office of the Government of the Slovak Republic, Peter Kovařík. The purpose of the meetings was to establish cooperation, to present the document entitled "Proposals to strengthen the protection of the whistleblower in the reporting of anti-social activities" and recommendations in the interest of the participatory creation of a new law on the protection of whistleblowers.

In July 2017, following the publication of the OECD document "Assessment of Basic Anticorruption Legislation in the Slovak Republic" by the Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic, ÚSV ROS prepared the paper entitled "The Comparative Analysis of the OECD Recommendations in relation to the proposals

submitted by ÚSV ROS and the Open Government Partnership National Action Plan for 2017-2019", which compares the OECD recommendations, the ÚSV ROS proposals presented in the document entitled "Proposals to Strengthen the Protection of the Whistleblowers in the Reporting of Anti-Social Activities" and the commitments of the Open Government Partnership National Action Plan for 2017-2019.

From August 2017 to February 2018, ÚSV ROS actively participated in the preparation of the new draft new Act on the Protection of Whistleblowers. At the Government Office of the Slovak Republic, a working group has been established, composed of representatives of the Government Office of the Slovak Republic, the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic, the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic, the General Prosecutor's Office of the Slovak Republic, the National Labor Inspectorate, the Slovak National Center for Human Rights and civil society bodies - the Fair-Play Alliance, the Stop Corruption Foundation and Transparency International Slovakia. The working group met 1-2 times a month until December 2017, from when its members participated in the drafting of the law electronically. The draft new act was submitted to the inter-departmental feedback (MPK) in February 2018 under LP/2018/109.

In November 2017, ÚSV ROS organized the Open Government Week 2017 event, where a panel discussion titled "Whistleblowers - can we protect them?" took place. Barbora Tholtová (Transparency International Slovakia), Marianna Leontiev (Stop Corruption Foundation), Michal Cenkner (Slovak National Center for Human Rights), Peter Kovařík (Office of the Government of the Slovak Republic - Department of Prevention of Corruption) and Bystrík Antalík (ÚSV ROS) discussed the topic. During the event, ÚSV ROS introduced well-known corruption whistleblowers, Marta Bočeková and Ľubica Lapinová, the winner of the White Crow Award. The public could also walk on the "whistleblower pathwalk", a simple and interactive guide to the process of reporting anti-social activities.

In November 2017, we participated in a workshop organized by the Office of the Government of the Slovak Republic, following the recommendations of the OECD contained in the document "Assessment of Basic Anticorruption Legislation in the Slovak Republic". On the basis of the workshop, ÚSV ROS created the document "Several observations from the workshop 'Assessment of Basic Anticorruption Legislation in the Slovak Republic - OECD recommendations and possibilities of their implementation."

In December 2017, we actively participated in the workshop "Ethics and Fight Against Corruption" organized by the Office of the Government of the Slovak Republic in cooperation with Transparency International Slovakia.

In January 2018, we participated in a coordination meeting at the Government Office of the Slovak Republic. The subject of the negotiation was the possibility of continuing to amend other legislation towards a more effective fight against corruption on the basis of OECD recommendations.

In the course of the next period, ÚSV ROS is planning to carry out activities to raise awareness of the new legislation, as long as it is adopted by the Parliament. ÚSV ROS also plans to participate actively in the preparation of further legislative changes in line with the OECD recommendations, as long as this preparation takes place.

### Commitment No. 63: Analyze and evaluate preliminary information and reports on public participation in the process of drafting and commenting on draft legislation.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society in cooperation with the Deputy Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic and the Minister of Justice Deadline: ongoing, evaluation on March 31

#### Status: fulfilled

#### Assessment:

2017: ÚSV ROS in cooperation with the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic monitored the preliminary information and reports on public participation published in the period from June 5 to December 31, 2016. The result of the monitoring is a pilot analysis of application practice, which contains a set of recommendations for the legislators formulated on the basis of acquired data. The report was <u>published</u> on the ÚSV ROS website on April 4, 2017.

2018: Based on the results of the Analysis of the Publication of Reports on Public Participation, Preliminary Information for 2016, ÚSV ROS developed "<u>Methodological Guidelines for the Creation of</u> <u>Reports on Public Participation in Legislation</u>". The methodological guidelines are intended to serve the legislators as a tool for better reporting on public participation in the drafting of the legislation.

Also in 2017, ÚSV ROS produced the document "Legislative Process and Possibilities of Public Participation", in which the institutes of preliminary information and report on public participation are placed in the context of the legislative process and their importance as important participative instruments is emphasized.

In February 2018, ÚSV ROS began collecting the data for the Analysis of the Publication of Public Participation Reports and of Preliminary Information for 2017. The complete analysis will be published on the ÚSV ROS website.

#### Commitment No. 64: Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the Electronic Collective Petition.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society in cooperation with the Head of the Office of the Government of the Slovak Republic Deadline: December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2018

#### Status: fulfilled

#### Assessment:

Within the framework of the NASES project "eDemocracy and Open Government", the Electronic Collective Petition (Slovak abbreviation: EHŽ), defined as an electronic service (in accordance with the Ministry of Finance call, OPIS-2013/1.1/58-NP), has been created and launched. The main advantage of EHŽ is the creation of a mechanism by which citizens can express their demands to the Slovak government as a collective body. In this way, citizens can communicate with the state outside of the dates of the elections and be more specific in their demands.

The rules of EHŽ require that the Collective Petition needs to obtain support from at least 15,000 people within 30 days. Once this limit has been reached, the Collective Electronic Petition will be submitted to the Government of the Slovak Republic.

For the successful publication of a Collective Electronic Petition in the list of electronic petitions, it must be first approved by the administrator, i.e. Office of the Government of the Slovak Republic. The reasons for disapproval are explicitly stated, for example, that the petition is directed against human rights and freedoms, concerns taxes, deductions or the state budget, does not fall under governmental decisionmaking, and so on, but the practical experience of the only attempt to create a Collective Electronic Petition so far has shown that it is necessary to more precisely specify these reasons.

Since the project launch in January 2016, there has only been one attempt to create a Collective Electronic Petition, which ended with a denial at the initial stage by the EHŽ administrators, precisely because, according to the EHŽ administrator, the specified request was not subject to decision-making authority of the Government of the Slovak Republic.

Because the project has been funded from European sources, it is subject to the condition of sustainability of service lasting 5 years from the end of the project (December 2015).

In order to increase the use of the Collective Electronic Petition, we propose to take the following measures:

- Introduce EHŽ to the public by increasing its exposure and spreading awareness,
- Specify the reasons for the non-acceptance of the applications,
- Increase the accessibility through the modification of EHŽ methodology, for example:
  - reducing the number of required signatures from 15,000 to a lower number,
  - examining the reasons for the success of petitions as an alternative to EHŽ.

### **VI. Feedback and continuation**

Commitment No. 65: Identify the person responsible for implementing the tasks of the OGP National Action Plan 2017-2019 in the organization.

Responsible: the Ministers, the Deputy Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic for Investment and Informatization, the Head of the Office of the Government of the Slovak Republic, the Head of the Other central government bodies

Deadline: March 31, 2017

Central Government Authority	Name and surname	
Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic	Lukáš Jankovič	
Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic	Samuel Belej	
Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic	Martin Darmo	
Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic	Miriam Hatal	
Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic	lveta Korytková	
Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak	Peter Hudec	
Republic	Václav Javúrek	
Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic	Lucia Fašungová	
Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic	Martina Szabo Sótyiová	
Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic	Alexander Ryba (temporarily)	
Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided	
Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic	Richard Woltemar	
Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic	Michal Kondáš	
Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic	Jana Oslejová	
National Security Authority of the Slovak Republic	Marián Kramár	
Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided	
Administration of State Material Reserves of the Slovak Republic	Miroslava Jurišová	
Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic	Branislav Neborásek	
Office of Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided	
Nuclear Regulatory Authority of the Slovak Republic	Eduard Metke	
Office of the Deputy Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic for Investment and Informatization	Veronika Farkašovská	
Office for Standardization, Metrology and Testing of the Slovak		
Republic	Information not provided	
Public Procurement Office of the Slovak Republic	Branislav Világi	
Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic	Elemír Murček	
Government Office of the Slovak Republic	Juraj Kormuth	

# Commitment No. 66: Coordinate the Working Group on the implementation of the OGP National Action Plan 2017-2019.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: June 30, 2019

#### Status:

#### Assessment:

The working group on the implementation of the OGP 2017-2019 National Action Plan was created after the appointment of the persons responsible for the implementation of the commitments of the action plan in individual central state administration authorities (Commitment No. 65). The working group is coordinated by a contact person from ÚSV ROS.

By March 31, 2018, two meetings of the working group took place, the third took place on April 12, 2018. The meetings are attended by the members of central state administration authorities, the contact person from ÚSV ROS, the coordinators of the individual chapters of the action plan from ÚSV ROS and external guests. The vision is to continue the meetings of the coordination working group twice a year.

1st <u>meeting</u> (June 20, 2017) - the main topic of the meeting was the presentation of OGP, the presentation of the current OGP National Action Plan and the presentation of an independent evaluation of the previous action plan by the Open Government Partnership headquarters.

2nd <u>meeting</u> (December 8, 2017) - the main topic of the meeting was the successes and barriers of the promotion of ideas, the role of open government in the ministries, the proposals for improvement of processes and the possibility of mutual cooperation in 2018.

3rd <u>meeting</u> (April 12, 2018) - the main topic of the meeting was to present the scenario for the preparation of the mid-term evaluation report, the timetable for the creation and the requirements for the individual members of the coordination group.

#### Commitment No. 67: Develop the final evaluation of the OGP National Action Plan 2017-2019.

Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society in co-operation with the Ministers, Deputy Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic for Investment and Informatization, Head of the Office of the Government of the Slovak Republic and heads of other central government bodies.

Deadline: June 30, 2019

#### Status: in progress

#### Assessment:

The final evaluation of the OGP National Action Plan 2017-2019 action plan is scheduled for the first half of 2019. The evaluation will be prepared in a participatory way with the participation of all responsible persons and the experts from existing working groups will be invited to the individual chapters and themes of the action plan. An important role will also be played by the Coordination Working Group (Commitment No. 66). Of course, there will be public commenting, report submission to the Council of the Government of the Slovak Republic for non-governmental non-profit organizations (expected in June 2019), as well as discussions within the International Open Government Week that will be held in May 2019.

# Commitment No. 68: Prepare and submit for the Government of the Slovak Republic the OGP National Action Plan for the following period.

## Responsible: Plenipotentiary of the Government for the Development of Civil Society Deadline: October 31, 2019

Status: in progress

Assessment:

To fulfill this commitment, it is necessary to successfully fulfill the commitments of this National Action Plan, develop its final evaluation (Commitment No. 67) and, following the mapped implementation, prepare a new OGP Action Plan for the next period, probably 2 years long.

In any case, we have already started continuously mapping the situation in various areas where new opportunities and needs are emerging. We also participate in international conferences and seminars that are very inspirational to us for the future. Cooperation with the NGOs, the academic community, individual ministries and other central government authorities is an essential source of ideas.

### **VII.** Annexes

### Annex No. 1: Commitment No. 5

Nr.	Organizatio	URL	Note
	n		
1	Ministry of Transport and Constructio n of the Slovak Republic	<u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/</u> <u>zoznam-datasetov</u>	March 31, 2017: The commitment completed before the deadline. The list of datasets has been updated by updating the so-called "dataset zero" (the list of datasets) on the open data portal. March 31, 2018: The list of datasets has been updated by updating the so-called "dataset zero" (the list of datasets) on the open data portal.
2	Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic	https://data.gov.sk/dataset? organization = 2137b75b-83a9- 45b1-B60B-20522174ae10	The Ministry updates and publishes on the open data portal a list of all published datasets under the authority of the ministry and subordinate legal entities, but at the moment the Ministry can not specify the exact timetable and frequency of publishing and updating other datasets, given that so far only initial meetings with the administrators of the individual information systems have taken place.
3	Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/ zoznam-datasetov-mh-sr	The commitment has been completed and the list of datasets has been regularly updated in the recent time. The open data portal currently contains our ministry's up- to-date lists of datasets. The list of datasets will continue to be updated in the coming period in cooperation with the respective departments.
4	Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/ zoznam-datasetov-mk-sr-a- rezortnych-organizacii-mk-sr	The commitment is being carried out continuously.
5	Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic		No information provided.
6	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Developme nt of the Slovak Republic	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/ http-www-mpsr-sk-datasety- zoznam-pripravovanych- datasetov-rezortu-mprvsr-xml https://data.gov.sk/dataset/ zoznam-v-sucasnosti- zverejnenych-datasetov-rezortu- mprv-sr https://data.gov.sk/dataset/ casovy-harmonogram- vytvarania-a-spristupnovania-	<ul> <li>2017: The commitment is being carried out on a continuous basis. The ministry updates and publishes lists of all datasets (already published as well as planned) for the ministry and the organization it controls along with a schedule for publishing datasets and frequency of their updates.</li> <li>2018: The commitment is being carried out on a continuous basis. The Ministry updates and publishes lists of all datasets (already published as well as planned) for the Ministry and its legal entities (except the Central Control and Testing Institute of Agriculture in Bratislava, Lesy SR, and company Hydromeliorácie), along with a schedule for publishing datasets. The frequency of updates of individual planned datasets will be established after</li> </ul>

		datasetov-rezortu-mprv-sr-na-	their first publication on the Open Data Portal -
7	Ministry	<u>rok-2018</u>	data.gov.sk.
1	Ministry of		The data analysis was completed in March 2018, the
	Labor, Social		publishing plan will be made available in the course of the month.
	Affairs and		month.
	Family of		
	the Slovak		
	Republic		
8	Ministry of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	
	Justice of	datasety-ministerstva-	
	the Slovak	<u>spravodlivosti</u>	
_	Republic		
9	Ministry of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	
	Education,	http-www-minedu-sk-data-att-	
	Science,	<u>12663-csv#</u>	
	Research		
	and Sports		
	of the		
	Slovak		
	Republic		
10	Ministry of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/mv-	
	the Interior	sr-plan-zverejnovania-datasetov-	
	of the	<u>na-rok-2017</u>	
	Slovak		
	Republic		
11	Ministry of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	MZVaEZ SR published 6 new datasets as of March 31,
	Foreign	zoznam-publikovanych-	2017. At the same time, a review of previously released
	and	datasetov-mzvaez-sr	datasets (updating or deleting outdated datasets) was
	European Affairs of		performed. On the basis of the documents of the
	the Slovak	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	specialized departments of MZVaEZ SR, further datasets will be published and regular updates will be ensured.
	Republic	<u>plan-zverejnovania-datasetov-</u>	will be published and regular updates will be ensured.
	-	mzvaez-sr	
12	Ministry of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	
	Health of	datasety-rezortu-zdravotnictva	
	the Slovak		
	Republic		
13	Ministry of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	The commitment is being carried out continuously. At the
	Environme	zoznam-datasetov-rezortu-mzp-	moment, the results of the data audit in the
	nt of the	sr-pre-portal-otvorenych-dat-	environmental sector are being processed in the context of
	Slovak	2017	Task B.14 of Government Resolution No. 346/2017, which
	Republic		is due to be completed by March 31, 2018. The list of
			datasets at data.gov.sk will be updated based on the results of the audit.
1.4	National	https://doto.gov.ck/doto.cot/	
14	National	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	
	Security	zoznam-datasetov-nbu	
	Authority		
	of the		
	Slovak		

	Republic		
	Antimonop	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	
	oly Office	zoznam-datasetov-pmu-sr	
	of the		
	Slovak		
1	Republic		
	Administra	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	The Administration of State Material Reserves of the
1	tion of	zoznam-datasetov-sshr-sr	Slovak Republic has published a list of all datasets and
	State		keeps updating the datasets in accordance with the
1	Material		schedule and frequency for publishing the datasets on the
1	Reserves of		open data portal. The latest update of the list of datasets is
1	the Slovak		from March 21, 2018.
1	Republic		
17 9	Statistical	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	The list of all datasets has been updated - the Statistical
(	Office of	zoznam-dataseto-susr	Office of the Slovak Republic updates the list continuously
t	the Slovak		when new datasets are added.
I	Republic		
	Office of		No information provided
	Geodesy,		
	Cartograph		
	y and		
	Cadastre of		
	the Slovak		
	Republic		
	Nuclear	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	2017: The commitment has been completed by sending an
	Regulatory	dataset-datasetov	e-mail to ÚSV ROS on March 30, 2017. A list of the Nuclear
	Authority		Regulatory Authority datasets was sent in the attachment.
	of the		2018: Since 2017, the Nuclear Regulatory Authority has
	Slovak		published 6 datasets: list of invoices, list of contracts, list
	Republic		of orders, list of open source software used, list of inspections and list of license holders. Datasets are
			available in xls, csv, and xml formats and are regularly
			updated at indicated intervals. In terms of open data
			activities, we follow all provided materials and we actively
			participate in trainings and workshops.
20	Office of	https://data.gov.sk/	Information system ITMS 2014+ regularly publishes
	the Deputy	organization/1eb1f79b-d3cb-	datasets on the open data portal and the data is accessible
	Prime	41ed-9791-50fec7d7d6aa_	via an Open API interface. 1. Public administration sections
	Minister of		and agendas: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/useky-a-agendy-</u>
	the Slovak		verejnej-spravy 2. Export of information system services:
	Republic		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/export-sluzieb-is 3. Agendas
	for		and eGovernment services of state administration: <u>https://</u>
	Investment		data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-egovernment-sluzby-
1	and		statnej-spravy 4. Agendas and a eGovernment services of
	Informatiza		higher territorial units:
1	tion		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-egovernment-
			sluzby-vyssich-uzemnych-celkov 5. Agendas and
			eGovernment services of the Data Center of Municipalities
			and Cities: <a href="https://data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-">https://data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-</a>
1			egovernment-sluzby-datoveho-centra-obci-a-miest 6.

eGovernment services of the Data Center of Municipalities
and Cities: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/egovernment-</u>
sluzby-datoveho-centra-obci-a-miest 7. eGovernment
services of state administration:
https://data.gov.sk/dataset/egovernment-sluzby-statnej-
spravy 8. eGovernment services of higher territorial units:
https://data.gov.sk/dataset/egovernment-sluzby-vyssich-
uzemnych-celkov 9. Life situations and eGovernment
services of state administration:
https://data.gov.sk/dataset/e914727b-a95b-4b0d-b719-
f8326f7dc589 10. Life situations and eGovernment
services of the Data Center of Municipalities and Cities:
https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zivotne-situacie-a-
egovernment-sluzby-datoveho-centra-obci-a-miest 11. Life
situations and eGovernment services of higher territorial
units: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zivotne-situacie-a-</u>
egovernment-sluzby-vyssich-uzemnych-celkov 12. List of
used open source software within ÚPVII / ITMS2014+ and
workstations: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-</u>
pouziteho-open-source-softveru-v-ramci-upvii-itms2014-a-
pracovne-stanice-zamestnancov 13. Open data for the
implementation of the ESFS 2014-2020 - ITMS2014 +:
https://data.gov.sk/dataset/otvorene-data-k-
implementacii-esif-za-roky-2014-2020-itms2014 14. Data
for the implementation of the Structural Funds and the
Cohesion Fund in the SR for the programming period 2007-
2013: https://data.gov.sk/dataset/data-k-implementacii-
strukturalnych-fondov-a-kohezneho-fondu-v-sr-v-
programovom-obdobi-2007-2013 MetalS 2 publishes
datasets at the open data portal daily at 02:00: 1. Public
administration sections and agendas:
https://data.gov.sk/dataset/useky-a-agendy-verejnej-
spravy 2. Export of information system services:
<u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/export-sluzieb-is</u> 3. Agendas
and eGovernment services of state administration: https://
data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-egovernment-sluzby-
statnej-spravy 4. Agendas and a eGovernment services of
higher territorial units:
https://data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-egovernment-
sluzby-vyssich-uzemnych-celkov 5. Agendas and
eGovernment services of the Data Center of Municipalities
and Cities: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-</u>
egovernment-sluzby-datoveho-centra-obci-a-miest 6.
eGovernment services of the Data Center of Municipalities
and Cities: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/egovernment-</u>
sluzby-datoveho-centra-obci-a-miest 7. eGovernment
services of state administration:
https://data.gov.sk/dataset/egovernment-sluzby-statnej-
spravy 8. eGovernment services of higher territorial units:
https://data.gov.sk/dataset/egovernment-sluzby-vyssich-

			uzemnych-celkov 9. Life situations and eGovernment
			services of state administration:
			https://data.gov.sk/dataset/e914727b-a95b-4b0d-b719-
			f8326f7dc589 10. Life situations and eGovernment
			services of the Data Center of Municipalities and Cities:
			https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zivotne-situacie-a-
			egovernment-sluzby-datoveho-centra-obci-a-miest 11. Life
			situations and eGovernment services of higher territorial
			units: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zivotne-situacie-a-</u>
			egovernment-sluzby-vyssich-uzemnych-celkov 12. Other
			information systems under management of the Office do
			not serve as primary source of data as they function as
			components of central integration (IS IOM and IS CSRU).
			Therefore there is no data to be published by these
			systems.
21	Office for	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	
	Standardiz	zoznam-datasetov-unmssr_	
	ation,		
	Metrology		
	and Testing		
	of the		
	Slovak		
	Republic		
22	Public	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	
	Procureme	zoznam-datasetov-uvo	
	nt Office of		
1	the Slovak		
	Republic		
23	Industrial	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	
1	Property	zoznam-datasetov-uradu-	
	Office of	priemyselneho-vlastnictva-sr	
1	the Slovak		
	Republic		
24	Governme	https://data.gov.sk/	
1	nt Office of	organization/bf9e0c34-063b-	
	the Slovak	445b-9457-c3f0969f1b42	
	Republic		

#### Annex No. 2: Commitment No. 6

Nr.	Organization	Note
1	Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic	2017: Commitment completed. Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic, based on the updated list of datasets, continuously publishes and updates the datasets on the open data portal according to the schedule of their publication.
2	Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic	The commitment has been completed for the past NAP cycle and datasets are regularly updated.
3	Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic	The commitment has been completed and datasets were updated over the past NAP cycle. There are currently up-to-date datasets of our ministry at the open data portal. The specialized departments will be contacted in order to provide datasets for publication along with their updates in accordance with the schedule for their publication and updating.
4	Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic	The commitment is being fulfilled on a continuous basis. The datasets are being published in accordance with the schedule for their publication.
5	Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic	The commitment has been completed.
6	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic	The commitment was completed before the deadline. The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic and its organizations, based on the updated list of datasets, have published all planned datasets on the open data portal.
7	Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs	The datasets will be published gradually according to the plan that has
8	and Family of the Slovak Republic Ministry of Justice of the Slovak	been prepared. https://data.gov.sk/dataset?organization = db391d84-31cd-4953-
0	Republic	82a8-06fc8d232239 & _organization _limit = 0_
9	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic	The RIS (department of education information system) registers and list of values are updated at <u>http://crinfo.iedu.sk/RISPortal/register/</u> and <u>http://crinfo.iedu.sk/RISPortal/ciselnik/</u> (sometimes several times per day). At CVTI SR (Slovak Center of Scientific and Technical Information), the digital map of schools was updated in January 2018. CVTI SR's dataset of school attendance (occupancy) and study opportunities is updated on a daily basis.
10	Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic	https://data.gov.sk/dataset?organization = 2df13d50-0b6f-48ba-884e- be66dc0a2934
11	Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic	The commitment is being fulfilled by the ministry on a continuous basis.
12	Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic	The commitment is being fulfilled continuously.
13	Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic published 26 datasets on <u>https://data.gov.sk</u> . Additional datasets will be published on the basis of the data inventory which will be created in the course of 2018. NASES, in cooperation with ÚSV ROS, will prepare a methodical instruction as well as the relevant forms.
14	National Security Authority of the Slovak Republic	Commitment completed.
15	Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak	Information not provided.

	Republic	
16	Administration of State Material	Datasets have been published and updated in accordance with the
	Reserves of the Slovak Republic	plan for their publication on the open data portal.
17	Statistical Office of the Slovak	Publication of datasets is scheduled to continue until December 31,
	Republic	2018. So far, 645 datasets have been published.
18	Office of Geodesy, Cartography	
10	and Cadastre of the Slovak	
	Republic	Information not provided.
19	Nuclear Regulatory Authority of	The Nuclear Regulatory Authority of the Slovak Republic prepared and
	the Slovak Republic	published four datasets: list of invoices, list of orders, overview of
		inspections and list of license holders. Datasets have been published
		on the open data portal.
20	Office of the Deputy Prime	Information system ITMS 2014+ regularly publishes datasets on the
	Minister of the Slovak Republic for	open data portal and the data is accessible via an Open API interface.
	Investment and Informatization	MetaIS publishes datasets on the open data portal daily at 02:00 AM.
		1. Public administration sections and agendas:
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/useky-a-agendy-verejnej-spravy 2. Export
		of information system services: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/export-</u>
		sluzieb-is 3. Agendas and eGovernment services of state
		administration: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-egovernment-</u>
		sluzby-statnej-spravy 4. Agendas and a eGovernment services of
		higher territorial units: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-</u>
		egovernment-sluzby-vyssich-uzemnych-celkov 5. Agendas and
		eGovernment services of the Data Center of Municipalities and Cities:
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-egovernment-sluzby-datoveho-
		centra-obci-a-miest 6. eGovernment services of the Data Center of
		Municipalities and Cities: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/egovernment-</u>
		sluzby-datoveho-centra-obci-a-miest 7. eGovernment services of state
		administration: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/egovernment-sluzby-</u>
		statnej-spravy 8. eGovernment services of higher territorial units:
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/egovernment-sluzby-vyssich-uzemnych-
		<u>celkov</u> 9. Life situations and eGovernment services of state
		administration: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/e914727b-a95b-4b0d-</u>
		b719-f8326f7dc589 10. Life situations and eGovernment services of
		the Data Center of Municipalities and Cities:
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zivotne-situacie-a-egovernment-sluzby-
		datoveho-centra-obci-a-miest 11. Life situations and eGovernment
		services of higher territorial units:
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zivotne-situacie-a-egovernment-sluzby-
		vyssich-uzemnych-celkov 12. Other information systems under
		management of the Office do not serve as primary source of data as
		they function as components of central integration (IS IOM and IS
21	Office for Standardization,	CSRU). Therefore there is no data to be published by these systems.
21	Metrology and Testing of the	
	Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
22	Public Procurement Office of the	
~~	Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
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23	Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic	On December 27, 2017, the following datasets were published at
	Slovak Republic	data.gov.sk web site:

		• List of datasets of the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak
		Republic (updated "dataset zero"):
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-datasetov-uradu-priemyselneho-
		<u>vlastnictva-sr</u>
		<ul> <li>Journal of the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic</li> </ul>
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/vestnik-uradu-priemyselneho-vlastnictva-
		<u>sr</u>
		• List of orders of the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-objednavok-uradu-
		<u>priemyselneho-vlastnictva-sr</u>
		<ul> <li>List of invoices of the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak</li> </ul>
		Republic https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-faktur-uradu-
		<u>priemyselneho-vlastnictva-sr</u>
		<ul> <li>List of contracts of the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak</li> </ul>
		Republic <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-zmluv-uradu-</u>
		priemyselneho-vlastnictva-sr
24	Government Office of the Slovak	2017: The datasets of the Government Office of the Slovak Republic
	Republic	and NASES were published in 2017 in accordance with the plan for
	-	their publication. Datasets are continually updated. Currently
		published datasets of ÚV SR on data.gov.sk:
		https://data.gov.sk/organization/bf9e0c34-063b-445b-9457-
		c3f0969f1b42 NASES currently publishes 21 datasets and adds next:
		https://data.gov.sk/organization/8155f071-182e-4c85-b6a0-
		32bf69399b17
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#### Annex No. 3: Commitment No. 9

Nr.	Organization	Note
1	Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic has been working on the commitment on a continuous basis. The Ministry reached out to its organizations with the request to publish the most requested data sets on the basis of a public demand survey. Part of the publication of datasets will happen by December 31, 2017. The remaining datasets, where work meetings are required in order to define interfaces or the parameters of the agreement on electronic information exchange, will be published in the course of 2018 according to technical and financial possibilities.
2	Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic	On the basis of the list of the most requested data sets that has been provided to the Ministry of Finance, we have already met with those responsible for the respective information systems, and we plan to publish these most requested datasets in the course of 2018.
3	Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic	There are currently no datasets requested from the Ministry of Economy at the open data portal. If a request is made, we can carry out the task, provided we have the results of an updated survey of the public on the most requested datasets and that these datasets are available to the Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic.
4	Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic	On December 19, 2017, the requested datasets were published at the open data portal, namely the Register of Immovable National Cultural Monuments.
5	Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic	Completed. Based on the results of the public demand survey, there were no requirements for the publication of additional data from the Ministry of Defense that would demonstrate increased demand from the public.
6	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic	Based on the results of the public demand survey for most requested open data, the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic has iidentified areas with the most interest (land, land use, agricultural and aquaculture facilities). The Ministry of and its legal entities subsequently published 51 datasets related to the most requested topics on the open data portal in accordance with valid legislation.
7	Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic	At the joint meeting, attended by the representatives of the Headquarters of Labor, Social Affairs and Family, Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family, ÚSV ROS and the professional public, a procedure for the publication of the required unemployment data on the level of districts was agreed. The required dataset will be published over the next few months.
8	Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic	https://data.gov.sk/dataset?organization = db391d84-31cd-4953- 82a8-06fc8d232239 & _organization_limit = 0_
9	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic	For Regional Education, datasets on regional education are published on <u>http://crinfo.iedu.sk/RISPortal/register/</u> and <u>http://crinfo.iedu.sk/</u> <u>RISPortal/ciselnik/</u>
10	Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic	Data owners (Public Administration Section, Economics Section, and Police Chiefs) whose datasets have emerged from the public demand survey have found that the requested datasets can not be published.

		Some data (statistics on crime, offenses and fines with geolocation data, coverage of public areas by cameras and IP addresses of electronic auctions bidders,) is not in the possession of the Ministry of the Interior. Other data (Register of Communites of Owners of Apartments and Non-residential Properties, Register of Registered Vehicles,) would require the creation of functionality for data anonymization, for which the information systems do not currently have allocated funds.
11	Ministry of Foreign and European	This organization was not identified in the public survey about the
	Affairs of the Slovak Republic	most requested datasets.
12	Ministry of Health of the Slovak	
	Republic	Work on the commitment is currently ongoing.
13	Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic	In addition to specific dataset requirements, the survey includes general requirements with no clear dataset. Specification of the requested datasets for each area will be further elaborated in early 2018 after the receipt of methodological instructions for data identification from NASES or ÚSV ROS. Most of the required data for the Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic is already available through an application programming interface and their publication as static datasets would be inefficient and mean duplicate work. To address the survey results specifically: 1. Air data (source: Slovak Hydrometeorological Institute): application programming interface for historical and current atmospheric data measurements is in the development and testing phase. 2. Data on the environment - <u>https://data.gov.sk</u> contains the "Enviroportal" dataset. Enviroportal is an environmental portal of the Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic, through which data and information from individual information systems are made available. Full access to published data is available via API, SOAP, and REST API. 3. List of National Natural Monuments - a csv dataset has been added. It is updated annually. 4. On the open data portal, datasets for spatial data (geodata) are provided by WFS (web features service) and 5-star quality data.
14	National Security Authority of the	This organization was not identified in the public survey about the
	Slovak Republic	most requested datasets.
15	Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/data-o-kontrolach
16	Administration of State Material	This organization was not identified in the public survey about the
	Reserves of the Slovak Republic	most requested datasets.
17	Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic	For a long time, Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic has been a leader in terms of number of published datasets.
18	Office of Geodesy, Cartography and	cauce in terms of number of published datasets.
10	Cadastre of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
19	Nuclear Regulatory Authority of the	This organization was not identified in the public survey about the
1	Slovak Republic	most requested datasets.
20	Office of the Deputy Prime Minister	
		Information system ITMS 2014+ regularly publishes datasets on the

	of the Slovak Republic for	open data portal and the data is accessible via an Open API interface.
	Investment and Informatization	MetalS publishes datasets on the open data portal daily at 02:00 AM.
		1. Public administration sections and agendas:
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/useky-a-agendy-verejnej-spravy 2.
		Export of information system services:
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/export-sluzieb-is 3. Agendas and
		eGovernment services of state administration:
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-egovernment-sluzby-statnej-
		spravy 4. Agendas and a eGovernment services of higher territorial
		units: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-egovernment-sluzby-</u>
		vyssich-uzemnych-celkov 5. Agendas and eGovernment services of
		the Data Center of Municipalities and Cities:
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/agendy-a-egovernment-sluzby-
		datoveho-centra-obci-a-miest 6. eGovernment services of the Data
		Center of Municipalities and Cities:
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/egovernment-sluzby-datoveho-centra-
		obci-a-miest 7. eGovernment services of state administration:
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/egovernment-sluzby-statnej-spravy 8.
		eGovernment services of higher territorial units: <u>https://data.gov.sk/</u>
		dataset/egovernment-sluzby-vyssich-uzemnych-celkov 9. Life
		situations and eGovernment services of state administration:
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/e914727b-a95b-4b0d-b719-
		f8326f7dc589 10. Life situations and eGovernment services of the
		Data Center of Municipalities and Cities: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/</u>
		zivotne-situacie-a-egovernment-sluzby-datoveho-centra-obci-a-
		miest 11. Life situations and eGovernment services of higher
		territorial units: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zivotne-situacie-a-</u>
		egovernment-sluzby-vyssich-uzemnych-celkov Other information
		systems under management of the Office do not serve as primary
		source of data as they function as components of central integration
		(IS IOM and IS CSRU). Therefore there is no data to be published by
		these systems. All open data are published in accordance with
21	Office for Standardization,	current legislation.
	-	This presidentian was not identified in the public summer shout the
	Metrology and Testing of the	This organization was not identified in the public survey about the
	Slovak Republic	most requested datasets.
	Public Procurement Office of the	
	Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
	Industrial Property Office of the	On the basis of the evaluation of the survey, the requirements for
	Slovak Republic	the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic included to
		publish the following: the web portal usage statistics, and the list of
		orders, contracts and invoices. At present, it is not in the Office's
		ability to publish web portal usage statistics, but future work will
		include implementation of this functionality.
		With regards to the other requirements, on December 27, 2017 the
		Office published the following datasets at data.gov.sk:
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		<ul> <li>List of orders of the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak</li> </ul>
		List of orders of the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak     Republic <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-objednavok-uradu-</u>

		Republic <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-zmluv-uradu-priemyselneho-vlastnictva-sr</u> • List of invoices of the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-faktur-uradu-priemyselneho-vlastnictva-sr</u>
24	Government Office of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>Status of fulfillment of tasks from government resolutions - This dataset is currently under preparation on the website open.slovensko.sk/rokovania.gov.sk, ● crz.gov.sk, ● completion of all central lists of values - the request for this dataset is not described in enough detail, it is therefore not unclear what kinds of lists of values the public is interested in. However, such data is being published in the Metainformation System (MetalS), which is under the authority of the Deputy Prime Minister's office for Investments and Informatization and not the Government Office of the Slovak Republic. ● List of all state buildings (ministries, offices, police, hospitals) and their affiliation, all opening hours of all institutions together with telephone numbers - such dataset is not in the possession of the Government Office of the Slovak Republic; ● list of entities which have an active electronic (eGovernment) mailbox - the dataset is published on the data.gov.sk (https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-schranok-aktivovanych-na-dorucovanie).</li> </ul>

#### Annex No. 4: Commitment No. 15

Nr.	Organization	Note
1	Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic reached out to its organizations with the request to publish the most requested application programming interfaces. Part of the publication will happen by December 31, 2017. The remaining APIs, where work meetings are required in order to define interfaces or the parameters of the agreement on electronic information exchange, will be published in the course of 2018 according to technical and financial possibilities.
2	Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic	Based on the meetings with the information system supplier, we are preparing to release the most requested application programming interfaces (APIs) along with the publication of the license, probably Creative Commons Zero (CC 0).
3	Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic	This organization was not identified in the public survey about the most requested datasets.
4	Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic	A publicly accessible OAI-PMH application programming interface has been made available.
5	Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic	This organization was not identified in the public survey about the most requested datasets.
6	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic	Based on the the results of the public demand survey, there is no obligation for the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic and its legal entities to make available any application programming interfaces in accordance with the valid legislation and the existing technical conditions as well as the publication of the license for their use. However, Plemenárske služby Slovenskej republiky, štátny podnik (Breeding Services of the Slovak Republic, state-owned company under the authority of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic) proactively released the following API: <u>https://data.gov.sk/dataset/verejne- dostupne-aplikacne-programove-rozhrania</u>
7	Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic	This organization was not identified in the public survey about the most requested datasets.
8	Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
9	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic	This organization was not identified in the public survey about the most requested datasets.
10	Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic	Data owners (Public Administration Section, Economics Section, and Police Chiefs) whose APIs have emerged from the public demand survey have found that the requested APIs are not available. The creation of APIs is technically demanding and would require the creation of functionality for data anonymization, for which the information systems do not currently have allocated funds.
11	Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic	This organization was not identified in the public survey about the most requested datasets.

12	Ministry of Health of the Slovak	
12	Republic	Commitment completed.
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13	Ministry of the Environment of the	Based on the survey, the Ministry of Environment of the Slovak
	Slovak Republic	Republic was requested to provide the following APIs: 1. Current as well as historical meteorological data of the Slovak
		Hydrometeorological Institute - this API have been successfully
		tested during the DanubeHack 3.0 event. 2. Results of predictive
		models of the Slovak Hydrometeorological Institute (ALADIN) -
		the plan is to make these APIs available in the course of 2018,
		while using Creative Commons Attribution (CC-BY) license. 3.
		Flood prediction models - API is not planned to be made
		available due to licensing constraints and also due to the number
		of parameters entering the models. Moreover, due to the the
		models' close connection to a particular stream, and specific
		river basin, it is not effective to make each particular API
		available. Flood prediction models along with the results of
		these models are compiled using commercial software MIKE.
		Under the license terms, it is not possible to provide model
		results to third parties.
14	National Security Authority of the	This organization was not identified in the public survey about
	Slovak Republic	the most requested datasets.
15	Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak	This organization was not identified in the public survey about
	Republic	the most requested datasets.
16	Administration of State Material	This organization was not identified in the public survey about
	Reserves of the Slovak Republic	the most requested datasets.
17	Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic	This organization was not identified in the public survey about
		the most requested datasets.
18	Office of Geodesy, Cartography and	Information not provided.
	Cadastre of the Slovak Republic	
19	Nuclear Regulatory Authority of the	This organization was not identified in the public survey about
	Slovak Republic	the most requested datasets.
20	Office of the Deputy Prime Minister of	
	the Slovak Republic for Investment and	This organization was not identified in the public survey about
	Informatization	the most requested datasets.
21	Office for Standardization, Metrology	This organization was not identified in the public survey about
	and Testing of the Slovak Republic	the most requested datasets.
22	Public Procurement Office of the Slovak	This organization was not identified in the public survey about
	Republic	the most requested datasets.
23	Industrial Property Office of the Slovak	This organization was not identified in the public survey about
	Republic	the most requested datasets.
24	Government Office of the Slovak	2017: As of December 31, 2017, APIs in documented and publicly
	Republic	accessible form, as required by the survey, were not available.
		The upcoming project to modernize the Central Public
		Administration Portal (UPVS) expects to make the APIs in the
		form of documented and publicly available interfaces gradually
		available.
		2018: Of the requested interfaces is the plan to create a register
		of authentication certificates, which will allow every person to
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register an authentication certificate and use the IAM module of
UPVS to access the electronic mailbox, the common module or
another access point that will provide such functionality. Some
interfaces of UPVS are available as API endpoints for the public,
pending signature of the Agreement on Integration Intention.

## Annex No. 5: Commitment No. 16

Nr.	Organization	Note
1	Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic	2017: The Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic did not create plugins, web browser extensions or extensions of client applications. In the future, when such are created, source code publication and open source development method will be enabled.
2	Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic does not currently create plugins or add-ons for web browsers or client applications. In the case of newly created plug-ins and plug-ins for web browsers and client applications we will consider open-source development but publishing the source code will depend on the impact on security.
3	Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic does not currently have any newly-created plugins or add-ons for web browsers or client applications for which source code disclosure would be required. In the case of a request, or the creation of the desired / corresponding plug-in module or add- on has the task can be carried out.
4	Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic	There was no situation at the the Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic where a plug-in module or a web browser or client application add-on would be created.
5	Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic	This does not concern the Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic because the ministry does not administer information systems which are intended for the performance of public administration.
6	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic	In the period between March 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017, the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic and legal entities within its scope did not create and do not plan to create any plugins and add-ons of web browsers and client applications. Due to this fact there is no obligation for the Ministry and its legal entities to allow the publication of source code as well as the development using the open source method for any plugins and add-ons for web browsers and client applications.
7	Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic did not develop plug-ins or add-ons or extensions in the monitored period.
8	Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
9	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic	In 2017, the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic did not procure new plug-ins or addons for web browsers or client in the form of open source software. For that reason, there was no obligation to perform the task in question, thus enabling the publication of source code development using open source methodology. Should there be procurement of new plug-in modules and plug-ins of web browsers and client applications in the form of open

		source software, the Ministry is ready to meet the above described requirements.
10	Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic does not create any new plug-ins, add-ons for web browsers or client applications.
11	Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic is ready to enable the release of source code of newly created plug-ins and plug-ins for web browsers and client applications, and also ready to enable development using the open source method.
12	Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic	Commitment completed.
13	Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic	For the modules which will meet the required criteria, the Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic will make the source code available through MetalS, which will provide information on how to access the given source code.
14	National Security Authority of the Slovak Republic	
15	Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
16	Administration of State Material Reserves of the Slovak Republic	During the period under review, the Administration of State Material Reserves of the Slovak Republic did not develop any client applications that would allow the publication of their source code and the development using the open source method.
17	Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
18	Office of Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
19	Nuclear Regulatory Authority of the Slovak Republic	In 2017, the Nuclear Regulatory authority of the Slovak Republic did not create any plugins or add-ons for web browsers or client applications.
20	Office of the Deputy Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic for Investment and Informatization	No new plug-ins for web browsers or client applications have been created in the managed information systems. For this reason, nothing has been created that would require source code publication as a part of this commitment.
21	Office for Standardization, Metrology and Testing of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
22	Public Procurement Office of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
23	Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic	The Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic does not have plugins, add-ons for web browsers or client applications that would allow their source code to be published or developed using open source methodology.
24	Government Office of the Slovak Republic	2017: NASES regulates the possibility of open source publication and enables open source development methodology through its internal procedures. NASES is working on the Feasibility Study "Open Data 2.0", which also includes the activities in question.

Source code for the Module Open Data, which is based on
open source technology, has been released recently. This
source code is available on the GitHub platform. The source
code for the data.gov.sk module, which is based on the CKAN
open source, is found found on the following GitHub page:
https://github.com/nases-sk/eDemokracia-MOD

# Annex No. 6: Commitment No. 17

Nr.	Organization	Note
1	Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic documented the supplied systems and currently does not have information systems this commitment applies to.
2	Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic has analyzed the use of selected open source components and the possibility of publishing parts of the code and documentation under an open license, but have not identified a full-featured open source solution under an open license among our information systems. However, if a further analysis is possible, some selected sections of the code may eventually be published.
3	Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic documented and analyzed the possibility of publishing a part of source code as open source and informed NASES among its information systems the integration, customization and configuration of finished third-party products has been identified. The development of software components as open source has not been implemented in these information systems, and therefore there is no source code available to be disclosed.
4	Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Culture has documented the use of selected components developed by the open source method in the supplied information systems in the cultural sector (in the institutions within the scope of the Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic). An analysis of the possibility of publishing parts of the code and documentation under an open license has been conducted. Subsequently, parts of the code that could be disclosed (in cases where it was possible while respecting security and legal protections) have been prepared for publication in accordance with the minutes of the Coordination Meeting to fulfill the commitments of NKIVS - OGP - SAAPSAPOUVS. The documentation is available at the department of IT.
5	Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic	This commitment does not concern the Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic because it does not have in its administration information systems which are intended for the performance of public administration.
6	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic and its legal entities have documented in their information systems the use of selected components developed by the open source method, and have analyzed the possibility of publishing parts of the code and documentation under and open license. Based on the analysis, several open source software systems have been identified. The disclosure of the code and documentation would create a high level of security risk and therefore the Ministry and its legal entities,

		been done the recommendation of the supplicute will not
		based on the recommendation of the suppliers, will not
-	Deinisten of Lobon Control Affaire and	publish the source code.
7	Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and	The Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak
	Family of the Slovak Republic	Republic is currently analyzing the possibility of publishing
		parts of the code and documentation under an open license. If
		possible, after the analysis is complete, selected parts of the code will be published.
0	Ministry of Justice of the Cloudy Depublic	Information not provided.
8	Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic	
9	Ministry of Education, Science, Research	On October 25, 2017, the Ministry of Education, Science,
	and Sports of the Slovak Republic	Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic published a
		dataset on the open data portal, in which it documented the
		use of selected components developed by the open software
		method in the supplied information systems. After analyzing
		the possibility of publishing a part of the code and documentation under an open license in the current Open
		Source Software list of the educational sector, no existing
		solution has been identified, where proactive publishing of its
		code would create added value. The analysis was part of the
		Feasibility Study of Open Data and Open Source and Data
		Consolidation in Education, which ended on August 24, 2017.
10	Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak	The Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic compiled
	Republic	information on the use of selected components developed by
		the open source method and the possibility of publishing parts
		of the code and documentation under an open license.
11	Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs	The Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak
	of the Slovak Republic	Republic documented in the supplied information systems the
		use of selected components developed by the open source
		method. In 2017, the Ministry modified the database platform
		of the National Visa Information System (NVIS) to use the new
		open-source database platform PostgreSQL. The Ministry also
		analyzed the possibility of publishing parts of the code and
		documentation under an open license and the possibility of
		publishing selected parts of the code.
12	Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic	Commitment completed.
13	Ministry of the Environment of the	The Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic
	Slovak Republic	ensured the fulfillment of the commitment by active
		participation at the working meeting on October 3, 2017 at the
		Ministry of the Interior and discussion of the proposal of the
		methodological guidelines for the commitment in question.
		Necessary activities in the form of identifying the appropriate
		source code repository and documentation have been
		initiated and, together with relevant source code and
		documentation, will be continuously supplemented through
		the data.gov.sk website, according to the ÚPVII guidelines.
14	National Security Authority of the Slovak Republic	Commitment completed.
15	Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
16	Administration of State Material	In the period under review, the Administration of State
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	Reserves of the Slovak Republic	Material Reserves of the Slovak Republic did not procure or
		develop information systems. The currently used systems have
		been documented and none of the systems uses components
		developed by the open source method. Based on this analysis,
		it is not necessary to publish parts of the code.
17	Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic	Completed according to the commitment text.
18	Office of Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided.
19	Nuclear Regulatory Authority of the	In 2017, Nuclear Regulatory Authority of the Slovak Republic
	Slovak Republic	did not procure new information systems by the open source
		method.
20	Office of the Deputy Prime Minister of	The use of selected components developed by the open
	the Slovak Republic for Investment and	source method has been analyzed, along with the possibility of
	Informatization	publishing parts of the code and documentation under an
		open license. All the information systems components that
		contain components created by the open source method have
		been published by the component suppliers. All the
		documentation for information systems has been published on
		the portals of the individual solutions, i.e. www.itms2014.sk,
		www.iom.sk, https://metais.finance.gov.sk/.
21	Office for Standardization, Metrology and	Information not provided.
	Testing of the Slovak Republic	
22	Public Procurement Office of the Slovak	Information not provided.
	Republic	
23	Industrial Property Office of the Slovak	The Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic is not
	Republic	aware of any software developed by the open source method
		in the supplied information systems, to which which the
		requirements set out in the Government Resolution would
		apply.
24	Government Office of the Slovak Republic	NASES has analyzed the current open source solutions, and
		published code for the identified Module Open Data -
		data.gov.sk. Currently, Github is the most popular platform for
		collaboration on open source projects, and NASES chose it for
		the creation of its repository. Github is also used by, for
		example, digital government teams in the USA or in Great
		Britain. The URL for the NASES repository was also included in
		the open data catalog - data.gov.sk - in the form of the NASES
		dataset named Source code of the data.gov.sk module.
		Link: <a href="https://github.com/nases-en/eDemocracy-MOD">https://github.com/nases-en/eDemocracy-MOD</a>

# Annex No. 7: Commitment No. 18

Nr.	Organization	URL	Note
1	Ministry of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
	Transport and	vyuzivaneho-otvoreneho-softveru-	
	Construction of the	open-source_	
	Slovak Republic		
2	Ministry of Finance	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
	of the Slovak	vyuzivaneho-otvoreneho-softveru-	
	Republic	rezortu-mf-sr	
3	Ministry of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
	Economy of the	mh-sr-open-source	
	Slovak Republic		
4	Ministry of Culture	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	
	of the Slovak	ac46e26b-fe77-4e2c-a8c8-	
	Republic	<u>b427c417ce82</u>	
5	Ministry of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/otvoreny-	
	Defense of the	softver	
	Slovak Republic		
6	Ministry of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
	Agriculture and	vyuzivaneho-otvoreneho-softveru-	
	Rural	open-source-mprv-sr	
	Development of		
	the Slovak		
	Republic		
7	Ministry of Labor,		Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of
	Social Affairs and		the Slovak Republic is currently updating the
	Family of the		list of open source software and will
	Slovak Republic		consequently publish the list. The Ministry
			does not have software licensed for use,
			distribution and publishing.
8	Ministry of Justice	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	
	of the Slovak	opensource-mssr-2017-ods	
	Republic		
9	Ministry of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
	Education, Science,	vyuzivaneho-otvoreneho-softveru-v-	
	Research and	<u>gescii-msvvas-sr</u>	
	Sports of the Slovak Republic		
10	Ministry of the	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
10	Interior of the	vyuzivaneho-otvoreneho-softveru-	
	Slovak Republic	<u>wyuzivaneno-otvoreneno-softveru-</u> mvsr_	
11	Ministry of Foreign	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/otvoreny-	
	and European	softver-mzvaez-sr	
	Affairs of the	<u>3011001-11120002-31</u>	
	Slovak Republic		
12	Ministry of Health	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/open-	
12	of the Slovak	source-na-mz-sr	
	Republic		
13	Ministry of the	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
		https://www.bovisiy/wwwset/202nam-	

	Environment of	vyuzivaneho-otvoreneho-softveru-	
	the Slovak		
	Republic	rezortu-mzp-sr-pre-portal- otvorenych-dat-2017	
14	•		
14	National Security	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/otvoreny- softver-nbu	
	Authority of the	<u>sortver-nbu</u>	
45	Slovak Republic		
15	Antimonopoly Office of the	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
		vyuzivaneho-otvoreneho-softveru-	
	Slovak Republic	pmu-sr	
16	Administration of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
	State Material	<u>vyuzivaneho-otvoreneho-softveru-</u>	
	Reserves of the	<u>sshr</u>	
	Slovak Republic		
17	Statistical Office of	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
	the Slovak	vyuzivaneho-otvoreneho-softveru	
	Republic		
18	Office of Geodesy,		
	Cartography and		
	Cadastre of the		
	Slovak Republic		Information not provided.
19	Nuclear Regulatory	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
	Authority of the	pouzivanych-oss	
	Slovak Republic		
20	Office of the	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/f208c882-	We have published data on the use of funds
	Deputy Prime	2197-4dec-b891-c3a09b86d740	provided by central government authorities in
	Minister of the		a defined structure on the OpenData API
	Slovak Republic for		website under ITMS2014+:
	Investment and		https://opendata.itms2014.sk/ Snapshots
	Informatization		from April 1, 2017 and June 30, 2017 available
			at https://data.gov.sk/dataset/f208c882-
			2197-4dec-b891-c3a09b86d740
21	Office for		Information not provided.
	Standardization,		
	Metrology and		
	Testing of the		
	Slovak Republic		
22	Public	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/	
	Procurement	opensource-vyuzivany-na-uvo	
	Office of the		
	Slovak Republic		
23	Industrial Property	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
	Office of the	otvoreneho-softveru-pouzivaneho-v-	
	Slovak Republic	urade-priemyselneho-vlastnictva-sr	
24	Government Office	1)	
	of the Slovak	https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
	Republic	vyuzivaneho-open-source-softveru +	
		2)	
		https://data.gov.sk/dataset/zoznam-	
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#### Annex No. 8 : Commitment No.22

Nr.	Organization	Note
1	Ministry of Transport and	2017: The data was published to the extent in which it has been
	Construction of the Slovak Republic	delivered by the respective sections of the Ministry.
2	Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic does not fulfill the role of a managing authority or an intermediary body, i.e. it does not provide financial contributions from the European Structural and Investment Funds, the EEA Financial Mechanism, the Norwegian Financial Mechanism, the Swiss Financial Mechanism or subsidy schemes from the state budget of the Slovak Republic. At the same time, the organizational unit, which would be responsible for the provision of EU funds, no longer exists at the Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic because the agenda of the intermediary body for Priority Axis 7 of the Operational Program Integrated Infrastructure has passed from the Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic to the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister of
		the Slovak Republic for Investment and Informatization.
3	Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic is aware of the commitment and is working on it. By contacting specialized departments, the supporting documents will be requested for the purpose of their publication at <u>https://data.gov.sk/dotacie</u> .
4	Ministry of Culture of the Slovak	Data for 2017 will be published by 30 June 2018 at
	Republic	https://data.gov.sk/
5	Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic	No funds have been provided from the said sources.
6	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic has published data on the use of funds provided by central government authorities within the framework of the European Structural and Investment Funds, the EEA Financial Mechanism, the Norwegian Financial Mechanism, the Swiss Financial Mechanism and the state budget subsidy schemes for the previous year in the minimal defined structure on <u>https://data.gov.sk/dotacie</u> .
7	Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic	At present, there is no awareness of data being available in the desired structure. However, the Economy Section is preparing a new information system for data on subsidies, and we are in communication about the incorporation of data structure requirements for disclosure purposes at <u>https://data.gov.sk/dotacie</u> . The new system will be available from 2019 at the earliest.
8	Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic	In progress.
9	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic	The Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic is fulfilling the commitment to publish data on the use of funds provided by central state administration authorities within the framework of the European Structural and Investment Funds (provided by the ITMS2014+ system). The ITMS2014+ system processes all data on the use of funds within the framework of the Structural and Investment Funds (provided by the central authorities of the state administration; it is integrated with the web

		portal slovensko.sk, which also includes the module of grant schemes at the web site <a href="https://data.gov.sk/dotacie">https://data.gov.sk/dotacie</a> ), the EEA
		Financial Mechanism, the Norwegian Financial Mechanism, the
		Swiss Financial Mechanism and the subsidy schemes from the state
		budget of the Slovak Republic in the minimal defined structure on
		the website https://data.gov.sk/dotacie.
		However, the Ministry has encountered an error message during
		the publication that makes it impossible to import certain tables.
		The error has been formally registered and work is ongoing to
		remove it. The commitment will be fully completed when it is
		possible to import tables to the Module Grant Schemes at
		open.slovensko.sk.
10	Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak	Information not provided.
	Republic	
11	Ministry of Foreign and European	The Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic
	Affairs of the Slovak Republic	released electronic data on the use of funds within its grant
		schemes before the required deadline (data export was sent to the
		NASES data curator) at <u>https://data.gov.sk/dotacie</u> . Data export for
		the previous year concerned three grant schemes within the
		Ministry's scope: 1. Grants to support studies and analyses, as well
		as organization of professional events in the field of international
		relations and foreign policy of the Slovak Republic (MVZP/2016), 2.
		Grants to support studies and analyses, as well as organization of
		professional events in the field of international relations and foreign
		policy of the Slovak Republic, aimed at the Presidency of the Slovak
		Republic in the EU Council (ICSPR-SK PRES/2016), 3. Grants to
		promote and protect human rights and freedoms (LP/2016).
12	Ministry of Health of the Slovak	In progress.
	Republic	
13	Ministry of the Environment of the	Concerning the projects financed by the European Structural and
	Slovak Republic	Investment Funds, the Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak
		Republic received a letter from ÚSV ROS, USVOS-KUS-2017/000065-
		007 from June 21, 2017, which contains more detailed instructions
		for the fulfillment of the commitment B.22 and states: "Information
		on the provided European Structural and Investment Funds
		contributions provided through ITMS2014+ do not need to be
		recorded to the Module Grant Schemes
		( <u>https://data.gov.sk/dotacie</u> ) because this information will be
		automatically transferred from ITMS201\$+". The Ministry of the
		Environment of the Slovak Republic as the managing authority for
		the Environmental Quality Operational Program reached out to
		ÚPVII as the central coordination authority and administrator of
		ITMC2044. In and an to an all all all of the states of the
		ITMS2014+ in order to ensure the publication of the relevant data
		for the Operational Program on the website of the Module Grant
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		<ul> <li>for the Operational Program on the website of the Module Grant Schemes (<u>https://data.gov.sk/dotacie</u>).</li> <li>For the EEA Financial Mechanism and the Norwegian Financial Mechanism in the part falling within the competence of the Ministry</li> </ul>
		for the Operational Program on the website of the Module Grant Schemes ( <u>https://data.gov.sk/dotacie</u> ). For the EEA Financial Mechanism and the Norwegian Financial

		the program manager responsible for its preparation and implementation of the 2014-2021 implementation period (based on Memoranda of Cooperation on Implementation of Financial Mechanisms signed on November 28, 2016) and the program itself is still in the process of preparation, i.e. no calls have been published and no funds have been allocated so far.
14	National Security Authority of the Slovak Republic	The commitment does not apply.
15	Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic	The commitment does not apply.
16	Administration of State Material Reserves of the Slovak Republic	The commitment does not apply.
17	Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic	The commitment does not apply.
18	Office of Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre of the Slovak Republic	The commitment does not apply.
19	Nuclear Regulatory Authority of the Slovak Republic	The commitment does not apply.
20	Office of the Deputy Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic for Investment and Informatization	Data was published.
21	Office for Standardization, Metrology and Testing of the Slovak Republic	The commitment does not apply.
22	Public Procurement Office of the Slovak Republic	The commitment does not apply.
23	Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic	The commitment does not apply.
24	Government Office of the Slovak Republic	Information not provided.

Nr.	Organization	tments No. 43 and 4 Identified policy	Current state of the selected policy
1	Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic	• Updating the National Strategy for the Development of Cyclist Transport and Cycle Tourism in the Slovak Republic	The action plan is currently being worked on. It has been preceded by the preparation of the legislation - the subsidy mechanism, which allows the allocation of subsidies to eligible applicants for the construction of cycling infrastructure.
		<ul> <li>New Land Planning and Construction Act, including implementing regulations</li> <li>Concept of urban</li> </ul>	The Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic, in order to prepare the bill, set up working groups from the representatives of the ministry, experts in the field of planning, building and municipal legislation, representatives of the professional public, self-government, state administration, professional organizations and the academic community. Since June 2017, meetings have been held not only within the framework of internal working groups, but also meetings with other sectors, with other stakeholders and meetings in the framework of the created working group comprising of professionals and legal experts (29 members). At the same time, the members of the working groups may also submit comments, which will be evaluated by the Ministry and continuously incorporated into the draft new laws. On the basis of the results of these discussions and debates, the first comprehensive versions of the new draft laws, namely the Land Planning Act and the Construction Act, were prepared. Proposed legal text of the draft laws were also sent to the parliamentary groups for constructive commenting.
		development	
2	Ministry of	<ul> <li>Assignment of</li> </ul>	
	Finance of the	tax, i.e. the policy in	
	Slovak Republic	the area of	
		assignment of a share of paid tax for	
		non-profit	
		organizations as	
		determined by	
		Section 50 of Act	
		no. 595/2003 Coll.	
		On Income Tax, as amended	
		Unit of Value for	
		Money - Public	
		engagement in the	
		form of a public	
		consultation on the	
		revision of spending	

# Annex No. 9: Commitments No. 43 and 45

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5	Ministry of Defense of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>Revision of the Defense Strategy</li> <li>Revision of the</li> </ul>	evaluation of the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Creative Industry Development Strategy in the Slovak Republic and set out further steps for the creation of the new Action Plan for the Development of the Cultural and Creative Industry 2020+. By the end of 2019, it is assumed that specific AP measures will be developed and that consultations on the AP proposal will be carried out with the professional public. In line with the project activities, the new AP must be approved by the end of 2019. The AP implementation is expected in 2020. Not evaluated, deadline: December 31, 2018.
		Military Strategy	
6	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic	• Public debate on the EU Common Agricultural Policy after 2020	In the discussions about the future of the Common Agricultural Policy after 2020, only information documents and the EC Communication on the Future of Food and Agriculture have been published at the EU level, which are not binding for the EU Member States. It is expected that the EC will present the first legislative proposals concerning the agricultural component as well as the draft Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) for the period 2021- 2027 by the end of May 2018. Based on these official documents, it is then possible to carry out a public debate at national level involving professional public and the civil society.
7	Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family of the	• National Action Plan for Children for 2018-2022	The National Action Plan for Children for 2018-2022 is in the process of preparation. A deeper involvement of the civil society is foreseen from June 2018, the completion is expected by the end of 2018.
	Slovak Republic	• National strategy to protect children from violence (revision)	The National Strategy to Protect Children from Violence (amendment) has been created in cooperation with the representatives of the civil society.
8	Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic	• The business register policy, which results from the National Business Register project and life situations of business-people	https://www.minv.sk/swift_data/source/ rozvoj_obcianskej_spolocnosti/otvorene_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba_hodnotiaca_sprava/participativne_politiky_linky/ 2018-04-27_MSSR_Odpocet%20uloh%20Akcneho%20planu %20OGP%202017-2019_participacia_%20obchodny%20register.pdf
		<ul> <li>Anti-corruption</li> <li>clause policy for</li> <li>draft laws</li> <li>Policy related to</li> </ul>	https://www.minv.sk/swift_data/source/
		the system of institutional provision of public protection and	rozvoj_obcianskej_spolocnosti/otvorene_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba_hodnotiaca_sprava/participativne_politiky_linky/ 2018-04-27_MSSR_Odpocet%20uloh%20Akcneho%20planu %20OGP%202017-2019_stredisko_participacia.pdf

		promotion of human rights in the Slovak Republic	
9	Ministry of Education, Science,	<ul> <li>Concept of youth work development</li> </ul>	
	Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic	• Concept of training and education of children and youth for volunteering	https://www.minv.sk/swift_data/source/ rozvoj_obcianskej_spolocnosti/otvorene_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba_hodnotiaca_sprava/participativne_politiky_linky/ 2018-04-26-MSVVaS_Odpocet%20uloh%20Akcneho%20planu %20OGP%202017-2019_B.45.pdf
10	Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic	• Bill amending Act No. 406/2011 Coll. on Volunteering and on Amendments to Certain Laws as amended	Information not provided.
11	Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic	• Areas that are already participatively formed in cooperation with civil society in the implementation of foreign and European policy of the Slovak Republic	Continuously fulfilled by the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic in line with commitment B.43.
12	Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>Anti-drug policy</li> <li>Long-term care</li> </ul>	Information not provided. Information not provided.
13	Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>strategy</li> <li>Strategy for</li> <li>Environmental</li> <li>Policy of the Slovak</li> <li>Republic until 2030</li> </ul>	https://www.minv.sk/swift_data/source/ rozvoj_obcianskej_spolocnosti/otvorene_vladnutie/2018/ strednodoba_hodnotiaca_sprava/participativne_politiky_linky/ 2018-04-20_MZP_Odpocet%20uloh%20Akcneho%20planu%20OGP %202017-2019_uloha%20B.45_web.pdf
14	National Security Authority of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>public policy has not been identified</li> </ul>	
15	Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>public policy has not been identified</li> </ul>	
16	Administration of State Material Reserves of the	The Administration of State Material Reserves of the Slovak Republic	

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	Slovak Republic		
		ROS and audited	
		public policies in its	
		own field, which	
		would be	
		appropriate for	
		participative	
		creation with	
		representatives of	
		civil society. After a	
		thorough analysis,	
		the Administration	
		found that there are	
		currently no public	
		policies in its own	
		field where	
		participatory	
		cooperation with	
		civil society	
		representatives	
		would be possible.	
17	Statistical	<ul> <li>public policy has</li> </ul>	The Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic intensively cooperated
	Office of the	not been identified	with ÚSV ROS and non-governmental non-profit organizations on
	Slovak Republic		the preparation of documentation on the introduction of a satellite
			account of non-governmental non-profit organizations in order to
			prepare the national project Better Public Policies through Better
			Knowledge of the Civil Society.
18	Office of	<ul> <li>public policy has</li> </ul>	
	Geodesy,	not been identified	
	Cartography		
	and Cadastre of		
	the Slovak		
10	Republic	• Amondators	Cines the Nuclean Deputatory, Authority, of the Clause Deputation
19	Nuclear	Amendment of	Since the Nuclear Regulatory Authority of the Slovak Republic is
	Regulatory	Act No. 541/2004	currently preparing any strategic materials that would fall under
	Authority of the Slovak	Coll. on the	public policies and thus is not defining any public policies, there is nothing to fulfill by this commitment.
	Republic	peaceful use of nuclear energy	nothing to fulfill by this communent.
	Republic		
20	Office of the	(atomic law) ● Data Act	
20	Deputy Prime	• Dala All	
	Minister of the		
	Slovak Republic		
1	for Investment		
	and		
	Informatization		The work on the commitment is ongoing.
21	Office for	<ul> <li>public policy has</li> </ul>	
1	Standardizatio	not been identified	
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	the Slovak		
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22	Public		
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	Office of the	<ul> <li>public policy has</li> </ul>	
	Slovak Republic	not been identified	
23	Industrial		
	Property Office		
	of the Slovak	<ul> <li>public policy has</li> </ul>	
	Republic	not been identified	
24	Government	<ul> <li>Coordination of</li> </ul>	The Government Office of the Slovak Republic sent documents for
	Office of the	the civil service	the creation and implementation of public policies for the so-called
	Slovak Republic	<ul> <li>Area of providing</li> </ul>	Library of examples of good practice in participatory processes in
		supporting social	two areas: the Strategy for Human Resources Management in the
		services	Civil Service for 2015-2020 and the new Civil Service Act.
			(https://www.minv.sk/?ros_participacia_spravy&sprava=stante-sa-
			spoluautormi-kniznice-prikladov-dobrej-praxe)

<sup>[1]</sup> Associated with Commitment No. 46: to implement workshops focusing on the exchange of experience of public administration staff involved in the creation of identified public policies.

<sup>[2]</sup> The project is implemented by ÚSV ROS. For more information, please visit <u>the project website</u>

<sup>[3]</sup> For the working meeting, civil society was invited including the Association of Outdoor Advertising; Buildings for the Future, Institute for Energy Passive Houses; Urban Development Institute; Slovak University of Technology; Association of Architects - Association for Urbanism and Urban Planning, etc., as well as, of course, state administration organizations.