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Object: Endorsement for OGP Subnational Government Program

To the members of the steering committee,

By this letter, I want to show my support to the candidacy of the city of Paris to the top 10 pioneer cities of the subnational government program launched by the Open Government Partnership. I had recently the opportunity to exchange with representatives of the city of Paris, especially regarding the participatory budgeting and civic engagement initiatives; some of my students did their field-works on the various dimensions of Paris' open government; in addition, I did have numerous discussions about this process with my colleagues who are specialists on this issue, in France and at international level. I have no doubt that this is one of the most ambitious programs of subnational participatory open government at the time being, comparing it with other experiments in Europe and in the world. Paris's on-line participatory budgeting is especially impressive. I support Paris' approach on this issue and confirm its amazing improvement during the last 2 years in term of open governance.

I would be very happy further collaborating with the leaders of the city of Paris and help them to adapt their different initiatives for the best of democracy.

Yours sincerely



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