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INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The Government of Côte d'Ivoire and the Ivorian civil society have placed great hope in the Open Government Partnership (OGP) since the beginning. This led to actions and consultation activities that have enabled our country to join OGP.

In addition, as a pioneer of the Partnership in Francophone West Africa, and thanks to the help of its partners, Côte d'Ivoire is multiplying initiatives that go beyond the commitments contained in its OGP National Action Plans.

Côte d'Ivoire is strongly committed to an opening-up dynamics that is reflected in the implementation of all OGP activities, in collaboration with the Ivorian OGP Civil Society Platform (PSCI-PGO), and also its involvement in several other initiatives such as:

- The African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM);
- The Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC);
- The Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI);
- Doing Business;
- African Growth Opportunities Act (AGOA).

This mid-term self-assessment report responds to one of the requirements of OGP to which Côte d'Ivoire has complied with since its membership in 2015, namely the development of a mid-term report on the implementation of each OGP National Action Plan. This document provides an overview of the results achieved since the publication in December 2018 of the 2018-2020 National Action Plan.

I. National Action Plan Process

The 2018-2020 National Action Plan is the result of close collaboration between the administration, the private sector and the member organizations of the Ivorian Civil Society Platform for OGP.

The strategy for its development focused on stakeholder training sessions, public consultations and regular meetings between stakeholders to reach a consensus on the content of the Action Plan.

A. Training sessions

As part of the preparation of the 2018-2020 National Action Plan, two training sessions were organized for various actors involved in the preparation of the second National Action Plan (NAP 2018-2020): the first took place from 11 to 13 April 2018, and the second from 24 to 25 April 2018. This was possible, with the support of the Francophone Open Governments Support Project (PAGOF), through the financial support of the French Development Agency (AFD) and the technical support of the French Agency for International Technical Cooperation (Expertise France) and the French Media Development Agency, CFI.

As a first step, it was decided to train the trainers responsible for facilitating the public consultation sessions in the cities selected for these consultations in 2018. These sessions targeted representatives of the Public Administration and those of PSCI-PGO as well.

In a second step, the same people were trained in the use of the online platform for public consultations (cp.ogp.gouv.ci) in order to make it accessible to the people of Côte d'Ivoire.

B. Public consultations

Several public consultation missions for the development of the second National Action Plan were conducted by the Technical Committee and the Ivorian Civil Society Platform for OGP in Côte d'Ivoire. As early as 2017, meetings were organized in five (05) cities in Côte d'Ivoire, namely: Bondoukou, Agnibilékrou, Aboisso, Daloa and Yamoussoukro. They were supplemented by those carried out in 2018 in Bongouanou, Gagnoa and Odienné. Specifically in 2018, public consultations in the localities of Bongouanou and Gagnoa were attended by other surrounding localities representatives.

These meetings mainly aimed to imply and involve the Ivorian Civil Society in the conduct of the OGP process in Côte d'Ivoire, and more specifically to:

- (i) raise awareness of the OGP process among participants;
- (ii) discuss topics of public interest;
- (iii) collect the opinions and concerns of Civil Society in the perspective of the development of the 2018-2020 National Action Plan.

This activity was completed during the workshop in Abidjan dedicated to the consolidation of all the other consultations and also to the identification of the major problems that could be translated into commitments.

These various consultations were followed by the development and the launch, on 11 June 2018, of the online public consultations platform <https://cp.ogp.gouv.ci>. The collection of the contributions on this platform ended on July 11, 2018.

C. Development of commitments

To get consensual commitments, various activities have been carried out. In addition to public consultations, workshops involving all stakeholders helped turn the concerns identified in the various cities visited during the public consultations into proposals for commitments. These activities were necessary to ensure the relevance of the commitments regarding OGP principles.

These meetings were also useful in identifying potential departments for the implementation of commitments in agreeing with them on the feasibility of the suggested commitments for the lifecycle of the national action plan 2018-2020 period. During these meetings, specific workshops were also planned with public structures and key persons to better understand the possibilities and constraints of the different entities able to implement commitments.

Sessions with the commitment holders allowed the actors to agree on the necessary information to share with the TC-OGP for the preparation of the draft of the National Action Plan.

D. Preparation of the Action Plan draft

The National Action Plan 2018-2020 is the result of a co-creation of the CT-OGP, the commitment holders and the Ivorian OGP Civil Society Platform. This co-creation took the form of a workshop held in Abidjan on Thursday 27 September 2018, during which participants agreed on the commitments proposal, their relevance and feasibility for the 2018-2020 period.

The co-creation process was concluded on 17 October 2018, with a multi-stakeholder meeting (CT-OGP, commitment holders) and the Ivorian OGP Civil Society Platform.

After the workshop dedicated to the drafting of the National Action Plan and before the pre-validation workshop, the draft National Action Plan was shared with the PSCI-OGP for comments and feedbacks for two (02) weeks in accordance with OGP's recommendations.

The draft of the National Action Plan 2018-2020 was shared with the Focal Point and then with the OGP Inter-ministerial Committee for adoption.

II. Recommendations from the Independent Evaluation Mechanism (IEM)

The independent mid-term assessment report for the National Action Plan 2016-2018 was profitable during the development of the National Action Plan 2018-2020, the definition of the commitments of the second plan for the 2018-2020 period and both during the overall conduct of the process. Thus, the IRM recommendations have been crucial in the renewal in the second national action plan 2018-2020 of certain commitments or topics already included in the first plan 2016-2018.

III. Implementation of the commitments included in the National Action Plan

This step is essentially for structures directly responsible for the implementation of these commitments. However, in accordance with its missions and the spirit of co-creation, the TC-OGP works closely with these entities and the PSCI-OGP for a better monitoring of the projects related to the different commitments.

Following the adoption of the National Action Plan on 18 December 2018, several activities have been carried out, including the official launch of the Plan on 12 April 2019 and visits to commitments holders since 28 April 2019. These visits initiated by the TC-OGP and the PSCI-OGP aim to assess progress in the implementation of each commitment. They will continue throughout the implementation of the National Action Plan.

The general state of implementation for each commitment in the National Action Plan 2018-2020 as of June 14, 2019 is provided in the following table.

Table 1: Summary table for monitoring commitments as of 16 May 2019

Commitment	Responsible structure	State of implementation ¹	Schedule
Commitment 1 : Develop and publish a Citizen Budget from 2019 onwards	State Secretariat to the Prime Minister, responsible for the Budget and the State Portfolio	Completed	Not applicable
Commitment 2 : Build 80 community pre-school institutions through the community approach or Decentralized Participatory Development	Management Unit of the Project for the Improvement of Educational Services Delivery (PAPSE)	substantial	November 2018- June 2020
Commitment 3 : Adopt and popularize a law on the protection of whistleblowers of acts of corruption and related offences.	High Authority for Good Governance (HABG)	Limited	June-Nov 2019
Commitment 4 : Develop a national integrity strategy with a set of anti-corruption indicators	High Authority for Good Governance (HABG)	Limited	- Development of the strategy document (May-Dec 2019) - Implementation of the anti-corruption strategy (January 2020)
Commitment 5 : Make the declaration of assets effective for all taxable persons in accordance with the law	High Authority for Good Governance (HABG)	Substantial	Ongoing
Commitment 6 : Promote participatory democracy in Ivorian communities	General Directorate for Decentralization and Local Development (DGDDL)	Substantial	June 2019- June 2020
Commitment 7 : Fight corruption and racketeering	General Directorate for Decentralization and Local Development (DGDDL)	Limited	June 2019 June 2020
Commitment 8 : Include contraceptive products distribution in the minimum package of activities of 4000 community health workers by 2020.	National Mother and Child Health Program (PNSME)	Substantial	June 2020
Commitment 9 : Increase the impact of the government data opening (open data) in Côte d'Ivoire	Government Information and Communication Centre (CICG)	Limited	June 2020
Commitment 10 : Liberalize television space	Ministry of Communication and Media	Substantial	June 2020

¹At the implementation state level, four levels are defined: Not started, limited (just started), substantial (has made good progress), completed (implementation of all the steps provided in the Action Plan).

THE COMMITMENTS

Commitment 1: Develop and publish a Citizen Budget from 2019 onwards				
January 2019 - June 2020				
Main implementing agency	State Secretariat to the Prime Minister, responsible for the Budget and the State Portfolio			
Description of the commitment				
What is the public issue the commitment will address?	<p>A large number of documents and budgetary information are published through several channels, including on the Administration's website.</p> <p>However, these documents and budgetary information cannot easily be used by the entire population because of their relative complexity.</p> <p>This situation does not contribute to a more active participation of citizens in the management of public affairs for more effective public action.</p>			
What is the commitment?	<p>The Citizen Budget is a document whose purpose is to present in a synthetic and easily accessible way to the citizen, the data and information included in the State Budget.</p> <p>The commitment involves the production and publication, each year, starting in 2019, of a simplified version, with illustrations (images) of the budget.</p>			
How will the commitment contribute to solving the public problem?	The implementation of the commitment will enable every citizen to better understand the Budget, its operation and the Government's budgetary policy decisions.			
Why is this commitment relevant to OGP values	<p>This commitment contributes to improving budgetary transparency by facilitating public access to budgetary information.</p> <p>In fact, the Citizen Budget will offer every citizen the possibility and opportunity to better understand the State budget and its operation. It will then encourage citizen participation in the management of public affairs.</p>			
Additional information	In the process of developing the Citizen Budget, the participation and involvement of civil society is expected.			
Completion level	Not started	Limited	Substantial	Completed X
Description of results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official opening ceremony on 30 April 2019 (Government - private sector - civil society) • The citizen budget 2019 is published 			
Status of key milestones	Commencement date	End date	Completion level	
Prepare the 2019 Citizen budget	Thursday, January 31, 2019	Friday, February 15, 2019	Completed	

Put the 2019 Citizen Budget online	March 1st 2019	March 31, 2019	Completed
Prepare the 2020 Citizen budget	Friday, January 31, 2020	Saturday, February 15, 2020	
Put the 2020 Citizen Budget online	March 1st 2020	Tuesday, March 31, 2020	
Contact details			
Main implementing agency	State Secretariat to the Prime Minister, responsible for the Budget and the State Portfolio		
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Other stakeholders	CSO private sector multilaterals, working groups	Civil Society Organizations	

Commitment 2: Build 80 community pre-school institutions through community approach or Decentralized Participatory Development July 2018 June 2020					
Main implementing agency		Management Unit of the Project for the Improvement of Educational Services Delivery (PAPSE)			
Description of the commitment					
What is the public issue the commitment will address?		In Côte d'Ivoire, the pre-school enrolment rate is relatively low in rural areas; it is 5% compared to 30% in urban areas.			
What is the commitment?		<p>The aim is to build 80 pre-school establishments over the period 2018 - 2020 using the community approach or Decentralized Participative Development (DDP).</p> <p>This approach empowers the beneficiary community to whom resources are transferred to carry out construction or rehabilitation of classrooms as part of a training-action process.</p>			
How will the commitment contribute to solving the public problem?		<p>A management committee will be responsible for managing the funds, recruiting companies for the construction and furnishing of classrooms, monitoring construction projects and reporting to the community.</p> <p>This innovative approach will result in an efficient and cheap construction of 80 high-quality pre-school establishments with the necessary facilities (toilets, water points), with the active involvement of the rural community.</p>			
Why is this commitment relevant to OGP values		<p>The commitment promotes citizen participation and transparency;</p> <p>The construction of classrooms through the community approach will empower the beneficiary community which will receive financial resources for the implementation of the projects through a Training/Action process.</p>			
Additional information		<p>The implementation of the commitment includes the recruitment of community teachers who are supported by the community.</p> <p>The project is part of the Strategic Plan of the Education Training Sector 2016-2025.</p>			
Completion level		Not started	Limited	Substantial	Completed
				X	
Description of results		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 68 sites Targeted in priority areas; • Environmental and social assessment • 20 facilitators hired, trained and deployed on-site. They are responsible for building community 			

	<p>support for the community's pre-school construction project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Based on targeting, 117 communities were selected, Setting up or revitalizing COGES (management Committee) and setting up CMEF; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> village information on the content of the sub-project Community participation identification of implementation sites / validation development and submission of sub-projects to the approval committee 95 sub-projects approved signature of grant-agreements (in progress) launch of local tender documents in progress Bid opening and awards in preparation 		
Next steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction and opening for the 2019-2020 school year of at least 68 pre-school centers (UGP PAPSE) Recruitment of 136 community preschool educators and 136 community assistants (DELC) Initial training of preschool educators (UNICEF/DELC) 		
Status of key milestones	Commencement date	End date	Completion level
Training of community representatives in grassroots management during the works (financial management, participatory monitoring and evaluation, maintenance and upkeep of infrastructure and equipment, procurement).	November 2018	June 2020	
Construction of 80 community preschools in rural areas	January 2019	June 2020	
Establishment of management committees (COGES)	January 2019	June 2020	
Initial and in-service training for community pre-school teachers	January 2019	June 2020	
Establishment of a monitoring system to help communities provide quality pre-school education by the Ministry.	January 2020	June 2020	
Details			
Main implementing agency	Management Unit of the Project for the Improvement of Educational Services Delivery (PAPSE)		

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Other players involved/concerned	Government Ministries, Department/Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of Women, Family and Children; • Pedagogy department and Continuing Education (DPFC); • Schools, high schools and secondary schools management (DELC); • Administrative and Financial Affairs Management (MENETFP) • Promotion Facilitation, and Monitoring of School Management Committees (DAPS-COGES); • Task force of the Education/Training Sector
	CSO private sector multilaterals, working groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Global Education Partnership (PME); • Companies (project management); • Recipient communities; • School girl' mothers 'club (CMEF).
Additional information		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Task Force coordinates all the projects of the Ministry of National Education, Technical Education and Vocational Training. • It is involved in the monitoring and Assessment of the commitment. 		

Commitment 3: Adopt and popularize a law on the protection of whistleblowers of acts of corruption and related offences.	
15 January 2019 - 30 June 2020	
Main implementing agency	High Authority for Good Governance (HABG)
Description of the commitment	
What is the public issue the commitment will address?	The lack of legal means of whistleblower protection fosters the fear of reporting or participating in the fight against corruption.
What is the commitment?	<p>The High Authority for Good Governance undertakes to disseminate the law on the protection of whistleblowers after its adoption.</p> <p>This aims:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to have the law passed; • to inform the population about the legal, physical and psychological security guarantees provided by the State, for those who report acts of corruption and similar offenses they are victim or witness; • to explain the specific procedures for whistleblowers' protection; • to encourage the population to report acts of corruption and related offenses. <p>These organizations will be deployed to ensure the dissemination of the law.</p>
How will the commitment contribute to solving the public problem?	<p>At the end of the implementation of this commitment, citizens are informed of the legal framework that protects them against retaliation, threats and intimidation by perpetrators of acts of corruption.</p> <p>The more protected they feel, the more involved they will be in the fight against corruption.</p> <p>Whistleblowers and witnesses may thus declare as their domicile the address of the police station, the address of the gendarmerie squad, the address of the High Authority for Good Governance.</p> <p>Whistleblowers and witnesses can report without fear under cover of confidentiality.</p> <p>Whistleblowers and witnesses and their relatives are effectively protected.</p> <p>This commitment will enable the population to be informed of the guarantees offered by law in terms of serenity, physical or mental integrity of persons or their property and possibly that of their families or close relatives, for a fearless collaboration, likely to contribute effectively to the establishment of truth and to the strengthening of integrity.</p>

Why is this commitment relevant to OGP values	<p>This commitment improves and strengthens the fight against corruption.</p> <p>It is also relevant from the point of view of access to information and citizen participation.</p>			
Additional information	<p>Commitment budget CFA F 50 000 000 distributed as follows :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15,000,000 for 2019; • 35,000,000 for 2020; 			
Completion level	Not started	Limited	Substantial	Completed
		X		
Description of results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption and promulgation of Law No. 2018-570 of 13 June 2018 on the protection of witnesses, victims, whistleblowers, experts and other persons, on 24 April 2019; • Establishment of a national whistleblower protection office, a decree currently being validated 			
NEXT STEPS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public awareness and law dissemination tours in the 31 regions and 2 districts (Poro-Bagoué Tchologo) 			
Status of key milestones	Commencement date	End date	Completion level	
Training of 35 civil society organizations on the law on the protection of witnesses and whistleblowers and on the commitment of the High Authority for Good Governance:	June 2019	November 2019	Limited	
Popularization of the law among the actors of the judicial system: the judges, the police, the gendarmerie	June 2019	November 2019	Limited	
Extension of the law to kings and traditional leaders	June 2019	November 2019	Limited	
Extension of the law to religious denominations	June 2019	July 2019	Limited	
Logistical and financial support for civil society organizations and deployment	July 2019	November 2019	Not started	
Workshop to summarize the commitment	June 2020	June 2020	Not started	
Contact details				
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Other players involved/concerned	Government Ministries, Department/Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presidency of the Republic Parliament Ministry of Justice and Human Rights.
	CSO private sector multilaterals, working groups	Civil Society Organizations
Additional information		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adoption and promulgation of Law No. 2018-570 on the protection of expert victim witnesses and whistleblowers on 24 April 2019 The establishment of a national whistleblower protection office (in progress) Since December 09, 2018, extension of the law to POLAC (Anti-Corruption Platform) 		

Commitment 4: Develop a national integrity strategy with a set of anti-corruption indicators

July 2018 June 2020

Main implementing agency

High Authority for Good Governance (HABG)

Description of the commitment

<p>What is the public issue the commitment will address?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Several corruption complaints; • Several conflicts of interest at the administrative level; • The poor compliance and adherence of public sector officials to values, principles and ethical standards in order to protect the public interest against private interests. 			
<p>What is the commitment?</p>	<p>The High Authority undertakes to draw up a national strategy document that will serve as a reference document on public integrity for public and private officials.</p>			
<p>To which extent will the commitment contribute to solving the public problem?</p>	<p>The strategy document will be shared and validated during a workshop with all development actors (administration, private sector, and civil society organization).</p> <p>The development of a national anti-corruption strategy must be carried out beforehand to enable Côte d'Ivoire to acquire an instrument for policy coordination provided by all structures involved in the fight against corruption and similar offences</p> <p>This will enable public services, the private sector and non-governmental organizations in Côte d'Ivoire to appropriate values, principles and ethical standards in order to protect the general interest against private interests</p>			
<p>Why is the commitment relevant to OGP values?</p>	<p>This commitment improves and strengthens the fight against corruption.</p>			
<p>Additional information</p>	<p>Commitment budget CFA F 50 000 000 distributed as follows :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15,000,000 for 2019; • 35,000,000 for 2020; 			
<p>Completion level</p>	<p>Not started</p>	<p>Limited</p>	<p>Substantial</p>	<p>Completed</p>
		<p>X</p>		
<p>Description of results</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding from UNDP • Service provider selected after a call for tenders 			

Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signing of the contract between the service provider and the high authority • Preparation of the document outline by the service provider • Validation 		
Status of key milestones	Commencement date	End date	Completion level
Preparation of the national anti-corruption strategy document	May 2019	December 2019	
Implementation of the national anti-corruption strategy document	January 2020	June 2020	
Preparation and validation of the national integrity strategy document	January-June 2020		
Implementation of the National Integrity Strategy	After June 2020		
Contact details			
Main implementing agency	High Authority for Good Governance (HABG)		
Persons responsible for the implementing agency	Koffi Marc Antoine		
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Other players involved	Government Ministries, Department/Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Statistics Institute (INS); • Public Administration; • Private sector 	
	CSOs, private sector, multilaterals, working groups	Non-Government Organizations	
Additional information			
Process underway			

Commitment 5: Make the disclosure of assets effective for all taxable persons in accordance with the law				
June 2018-June 2020				
Main implementing agency		High Authority for Good Governance		
Description of the commitment				
What is the public problem the commitment will address?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corruption • Illicit enrichment; • suspicion of citizens towards managers and senior officials. 			
What is the commitment?	The High Authority undertakes to increase the rate of declarants from 76.6% in 2018 to 90% in June 2020.			
To which extent will the commitment contribute to solving the public problem?	<p>The High Authority will intensify the awareness raising of those subject to the disclosure of assets.</p> <p>It will enforce the repressive measures provided for by law.</p>			
Why is this commitment relevant to OGP values?	The declaration of assets strengthens deterrence against all forms of corruption and establishes a very high standard of professional integrity for public officials who are subject to this civic act.			
Additional information	The disclosure of assets is prescribed by Article 41 of the Ivorian Constitution.			
Completion level	Not started	Limited	Substantial	Completed
			X	
Description of results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The persons subject to it are informed and made aware of • Disclosure made by the persons subject to the law (percentage to be defined) 			
NEXT STEPS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broadening the taxable persons' tax base • Identification and updating of taxable persons in administrations (BNETD selected after a call for tenders) 			
Status of key milestones	Commencement date	End date	Completion level	
Intensify the awareness raising of those subject to the declaration of assets.	June 2018	June 2019	Substantial	
Enforce the repressive measures provided for by law.	July 2019	June 2020	Not started	
Contact details				
Main implementing agency	High Authority for Good Governance/Presidency of the Republic			
Name of the responsible of the implementing agency	KOFFI Marc Antoine			
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Other players involved	Government Ministries, Department/Organization	Public Administration ;
	CSO private sector multilaterals, working groups	Civil Society Organizations
Additional information		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raising public awareness • Agreement with the Bailiff's order • Use of ISO 37000 certification in administration 		

Commitment 6: Promote participatory democracy in Ivorian communities				
June 2018 June 2020				
Main implementing agency	General Directorate for Decentralization and Local Development (DGDDL)			
Description of the commitment				
What is the public problem the commitment will address?	<p>Most of the time, public budgets are prepared by elected officials and their advisers who decide according to various criteria and constraints, rarely known or explained to citizens. This may result in a perception among the population that some people are at an advantage over others.</p> <p>Insufficient information to populations and local authorities on the development, implementation, monitoring and assessment of the community's budget;</p> <p>The low level of involvement and participation of the population in the management of local authorities' affairs</p>			
What is the commitment?	<p>The objective of this commitment is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • encourage local authorities to practice participatory budgeting; • improve local governance; • boosting people's participation in decision-making. 			
To which extent will the commitment contribute to solving the public problem?	<p>The commitment will enable the authorities to understand the importance of involving people in budget preparation while enhancing people's understanding on their role in the development, the implementation and the monitoring of local budgets through workshops and the sharing of good practices.;</p> <p>To this end, local elected officials will demonstrate their political commitment by taking a deliberation in a meeting of the Council.</p>			
Why is this commitment relevant to OGP values?	This commitment is relevant to access to public information, citizen participation and the fight against corruption			
Additional information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This commitment has a budget of CFA F 864,499,200; • This commitment is in line with the 2016-2020 NDP in its axis 1. 			
Completion level	Not started	Limited	Substantial	Completed
			X	
Description of results	3 Training workshops for elected officials and socio-cultural leaders of the communes of the Mé region (Agou, Adzopé, Akoupé, Affery, Alépé, Yakassé Attobrou), major bridges (Dabou, Grand-Lahou and Jacquville) and the communes of Attecoubé, Cocody, Yopougon, Aboisso, Grand-Bassam, Adiaké, Oumé, Agboville and Tiassalé			

Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The municipal councils deliberate on the establishment of the participatory budget in the communes • Implementation of the Participatory Budget in the target municipalities • National Forum on Participatory Democracy 		
Status of key milestones	Commencement date	End date	Completion level
DGDDL will carry out awareness-raising and capacity building actions aimed at the leaders of the Communities, local elected officials and civil society	December 2018	September 2019	Substantial
Capitalization on the achievements of pioneer communities	April 2020	June 2020	Not started
Assistance to local authorities that have adopted the Participatory Budget	June 2019	June 2020	Not started
Preparation of a manual of good practices	January 2020	June 2020	Not started
Best Practice Awards		May 2020	Not started
Contact details			
Main implementing agency	General Directorate for Decentralization and Local Development (DGDDL)		
Name of the responsible of the implementing agency	Dago Djahi Lazare		
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Other players involved	Government Ministries, Department/Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Union of Cities and Municipalities of Côte d'Ivoire (UVICOCI); • Assembly of Regions and Districts of Côte d'Ivoire (ARDCI), Local Authorities. 	
	CSO private sector multilaterals, working groups	National and local civil society organizations	
Additional information			

Commitment 7: Fight corruption and racketeering in Local authorities			
June 2018-June 2020			
Main implementing agency	General Directorate for Decentralization and Local Development (DGDDL)		
Description of the commitment			
What is the public problem the commitment will address?	Corruption and racketeering are experienced in public and private administrations in Côte d'Ivoire. They undermine efforts to improve governance and jeopardize political, social and economic stability and specifically at the local level.		
What is the commitment?	Continue the establishment of Communal Committees to Fight Racketeering and Corruption (CCLR),		
To which extent will the commitment contribute to solving the public problem?	<p>The commitment will make it possible to mobilize local authorities, civil society, the private sector and decentralized services at the local level through</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishing local committees; • Assessment of existing committees; • Training members in education and denunciation to synergize their efforts to reduce the practice of corruption and racketeering at the local level. <p>It will also consist in creating a national coalition against this scourge in order to share experiences.</p>		
Why is this commitment relevant to OGP values?	This commitment is relevant to the fight against corruption, transparency in the management of public affairs, and citizen participation.		
Additional information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This commitment has a budget of CFA F 864,499,200; • This commitment is in line with the 2016-2020 NDP in its axis 1. 		
Completion level	Not started	Limited	Substantial
		X	
Description of results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity building for members of the Yopougon and Divo CCLRs • Public awareness campaign 		
Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishment of new Communal Racket Control Committees (CCLR) • Capacity building for members (CCLRs) • Display of the costs of administrative acts in municipalities 		
Status of key milestones	Commencement date	End date	Completion level
Creation of the national coalition of anti-racketeering committees	January 2019	December 2019	
Assessment of existing CCLR	January 2020	June 2020	

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	CSOs, private sector, multilaterals, working groups	National and local civil society organizations

Commitment 8: Include contraceptive products distribution in the minimum package of activities of 4000 community health workers by 2020.				
July 2018 June 2020				
Main implementing agency	National Mother and Child Health Program (PNSME)			
Description of the commitment				
What is the public problem the commitment will address?	The commitment will address the problem of low contraceptive prevalence.			
What is the commitment?	<p>Include contraceptive products distribution in the minimum package of activities of 4000 community health workers by 2020.</p> <p>These community health workers are nominated by the populations themselves.</p>			
To which extent will the commitment contribute to solving the public problem?	<p>Community Health Workers (CHWs) continue the work of health workers in the community.</p> <p>They already provide promotion, prevention and home-based care services (malaria, diarrhea, acute respiratory infections).</p> <p>Including family planning in these services will help to bring the service offer closer to the population and improve contraceptive prevalence.</p>			
Why is this commitment relevant to OGP values?	Through the use of community health workers, the commitment promotes citizen participation			
Additional information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity building for all community health workers (training and equipment) for the resupply of contraceptive products; • The implementation of a pilot study for the delegation of tasks for the prescription of short-acting contraceptives by community workers in three health districts; • The assessment of the pilot study for the delegation of tasks for the prescription of short-acting contraceptives by community workers in three health districts; • This commitment is contained in the budgeted 2015-2020 National Action Plan for Family Planning, which is aligned with the (NHDP) 2016-2020) National Health Development Plan and the 2016-2020) National Development Plan; • This commitment is part of Côte d'Ivoire's commitments under the Ouagadougou commitments and the FP 2020 initiative. 			
Completion level	Not started	Limited	Substantial	Completed
			X	
Description of results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training of 1500 community health workers (CHWs) in community-based contraceptive distribution 			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drafting of the protocol for the pilot phase of the prescription of short-term contraceptives; • Selection of pilot districts (TOUMODI, DABAKALA and BLOLEQUIN); • Choice of sanitary and control areas (13 covered health areas and 06 control health areas); • Training of ASC supervisors (13) ; • Training of 128 ASC for the prescription of short-term contraceptives; • Provision of contraceptives by PNSME 		
Next Steps	Scaling up to community-based distribution of contraceptives and short-term prescribing through training of 3000 ASC		
Status of key milestones	Commencement date	End date	Completion level
4000 CHW trained:			
- Start of prescription	January 2019	June 2020	60%
- Organization of a field supervision mission	July 2019	June 2020	
Contact details			
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	CSOs, private sector, multilaterals, working groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNFPA, WAHO, WHO, AFD, USAID, IPPF, World Bank, KFW, for strengthening service delivery; • National and international NGOs AIMAS, AIBEF, Pathfinder, PSI, Engender Health. 	

Commitment 9: Increase the impact of the open data) government data opening in Côte d'Ivoire				
September 2018-30 June 2020				
Main implementing agency	Government Information and Communication Centre (CICG)			
Description of the commitment				
What is the public issue the commitment will address?	<p>In the 2016-2018 action plan, commitment 9 : " Create and make functional an Open Data Platform Côte d'Ivoire " has been implemented through the publication of the portal https://data.gouv.ci;</p> <p>However, there are few public structures providing data to the platform, limited number of data sets in reusable formats and limited recycling/re-use of available data.</p>			
What is the commitment?	<p>CICG will work with public entities to accelerate the publication of public open data.</p> <p>At the same time, it will continue to encourage people to visit the platform more often www.data.gouv.ci in order to improve the reuse of available data.</p> <p>This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The contributing structures are informed and efficiently sensitized on the project • Focal points are trained in system administration; • Open datasets are published in a more extensive and systematic way; • Civil society is aware of the project and fully plays its role as re-user and contributor; • The platform is in use, popularized and known by all; • The best contributors are rewarded as well as the best reuses. 			
To which extent will the commitment contribute to solving the public problem?	<p>The implementation of this commitment will result in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • more open data on the platform; • better trained focal points in the system administration • more reuse and citizen participation; • reward for best contributors and reusers from contests or hackathons. 			
Why is this commitment relevant to OGP values?	This commitment is part of the framework of access to public information, citizen participation, transparency and the promotion of Information and Communication Technologies.			
Additional information	the Open Data platform is https://data.gouv.ci			
Completion level	Not started	Limited	Substantial	Completed
		X		

<p>Description of results</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Improve existing open data platform</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvement of the platform operational features https://data.gouv.ci, in order to empower government entities and enable them to systematically manage and publish the data on the site. 2. <u>Raise awareness, train and mobilize public structures and the civil society</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two (02) workshops were initiated with the support of the Programme d'Appui aux Gouvernements Ouverts Francophones (PAGOF) in December 2018, for Directors of Planning and Statistics of the various ministries and public entities, and data technicians as well. • One (01) workshop for civil society members in conjunction with a workshop for data technicians- Pilot G to G meetings with the Ministry of Petroleum and Renewable Energies were organized in order to test the way government entities are trained to process and transfer data to the Open Data site. As a result of this training, this ministry registers about fifty data sets published on the platform. 3. <u>Promote the Open Data Platform</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Production and publication of articles relating to the various activities initiated as part of the Open Data 4. <u>Encourage the production of tools and services based on open data (reuse) to impact Côte d'Ivoire</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness raising and training of 20 government structures (focal points training) <p>At the end of the pilot G to G meetings with the Ministry in charge of Petroleum and Renewable Energies, a schedule of meetings of the ministries involved in Open Data will be established for the period from June to December 2019, in order to increase the number of data sets on the platform.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness-raising among civil society organizations • As of June 2019 • Organizations committed to transparency and good governance • Journalists' organizations • Statisticians and geomanticians' organizations • Startups • ITC Students 'organizations, etc. • Encourage the production of tools and services based on open data (reuse) to impact Côte d'Ivoire • the implementation of two hackathons and the establishment of awards for the best publishers (public structures) and the best reuses (civil societies) are planned • make the Open Data portal more attractive

	Correction of bugs on functionalities to facilitate the systematic dissemination of data by government structures		
Status of key milestones	Commencement date	End date	Completion level
Improve existing open data platform	September 2018	August 2019	95% (substantial)
Raise awareness, train and mobilize public structures and civil society	January 2019	June 2020	20% (limited)
Promote Open Data platform	January 2019	June 2020	25% (limited)
Encourage the production of tools and services based on open data (reuse) to impact Côte d'Ivoire	July 2019	June 2020	5% (limited)
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Commitment 10: Liberalize television space July 2018-June 2020	
Main implementing agency	Ministry of Communication and Media
Description of the commitment	
What is the public issue the commitment will address?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • limited liberalization of television sector • limited expression plurality • insufficient support for a creative and competitive ecosystem; • low level of creation of Ivorian audiovisual productions
What is the commitment?	<p>To give full meaning to the concept of liberalization, the commitment will consist of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the construction of the building housing the head-end network; • the provision of the signal to enable all DTT channel editors to transmit
How will the commitment contribute to solving the public problem?	<p>The liberalization of the audiovisual area is a process that promotes cohesion and media openness and plays a key role in the construction of a balanced, functional and socio-educational public space.</p> <p>The three-fold concept of "Inform, Educate, and Entertain" therefore takes on its full meaning with the emergence of Ivorian operators with a national and regional editorial offer aimed at creating a local link around information in the agricultural, economic, health, and transport or education fields.</p> <p>By opening up the Ivorian audiovisual environment, the government is encouraging a diversity of opinions (diversity of content and editorial lines) and strengthening the right to information.</p> <p>7 channels will broadcast free-to-air on the DTT network from 2018 in more than half of the country.</p>
Why is this commitment relevant to OGP values	<p>This commitment is relevant in so far as it helps to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • promote access to information; • guarantee freedom of expression; • - diversify audiovisual contents
Additional information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the liberalization is effective: a call for tenders was launched in 2016 by the High Authority for Audiovisual Communication (HACA) • HACA has selected four (4) DTT channel operators and two (2) satellite bouquet operators. In 2017 the law on the legal regime for audiovisual communication completed the process.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The national broadcasting operator, Ivoirienne de Télédiffusion, was created at the end of 2017 to ensure its implementation. Launch of the DTT on February, 8th, 2019. Full coverage (100%) planned for June 2020. 			
Completion level	Not started	Limited	Substantial	Completed
			X	
Description of results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the signal coverage rate (25% of the national territory Abidjan and its neighborhoods); The infrastructure is available; the government's mechanism to facilitate the deployment of DTT 6 regions: Bouaké, Yamoussoukro, San Pedro, Man, Bondoukou and Korhogo will get their DTT by the beginning august 2019 that should raise the coverage rate from 25% to 60%. 			
Next steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> total coverage of the entire territory 			
Status of key milestones	Commencement date	End date	Completion level	
DTT network construction	July 2018	June 2019		
Provision of the signal to enable all DTT channel editors to transmit	July 2019	June 2020		
Contact details				
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Other players involved	Government Ministries, Department/Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministry of Communication and Media HACA SIDT 		
	CSO private sector multilaterals, working groups	Digital Television (DTT) channel publishers, satellite packages, technical committee, DTT migration steering committee		

PEER EXCHANGE AND LEARNING

Côte d'Ivoire has been participating in OGP statutory meetings, namely the world summits and African regional meetings, since May 2015, i.e. before its accession in October 2015.

- Fifth OGP Summit in Tbilisi, Georgia July 2018
- First PAGOF Regional Seminar in Tunis; November 2018
- OECD-Moroccan Government Conference on Open Government and Access to Information in Rabat (Kingdom of Morocco ;) March 2019
- Sixth OTTAWA World Summit on 29 to 31 May, 2019
- 2ndt PAGOF Regional Seminar in Abidjan, November 2019
- Second conference of the Francophone African Open Data Conference (CAFDO) 3-5 November 2019

CONCLUSION, OTHER INITIATIVES AND NEXT STEPS

A. Lessons learned

Côte d'Ivoire's track record as a participating country in OGP is rich in lessons on open governance.

These lessons involve the general conduct of the process, public consultations for the co-creation and the development of the National Action Plan to facilitate its follow-up.

Since Côte d'Ivoire's accession to OGP, the various meetings and exchanges with peers have been instructive for the country in the field of open governance.

Some stages of the process have benefited from the experience of other countries, namely Tunisia, Liberia and France, in terms of the OGP process management, citizen participation and open data.

Similarly, meetings with the new OGP member countries (Burkina Faso, Morocco, and Senegal) were fruitful in certain specific areas for Côte d'Ivoire, in particular, open data and the modernization of public administration through the improvement of the quality of public service

In addition, Côte d'Ivoire shared its experience of collaboration between Public Administration - Civil Society and the Private Sector during the African regional meetings (Ouagadougou June 2017 Tunis November 2018 Rabat March 2019 and summits (Paris and Tbilisi).

B. Other initiatives

In addition to the commitments in the National Action Plan 2018-2020, several actions have been undertaken by the Ivorian Government to promote open government. Among those initiatives:

- platform <http://www.participationcitoyenne.gouv.ci/> allowing citizens to contribute directly to the improvement of public services by submitting proposals to this end.
- the information, complaints and suggestions portal at the service of citizens (www.miliê.ci) in order to enable them to submit a request (complaint, observation, information) in the event of a citizen's dissatisfaction with a public service;
- The miliê's objective is to bring the administration closer to the user-customer of the remote taxation portal (<https://e-impots.gouv.ci/>) allowing taxpayers to declare and pay their taxes online;
- the publication of statistics on taxpayers' declarations of assets and liabilities on the website of the High Authority for Good Governance (HABG), which has been online since 2017, <http://www.habg.ci/index.php>;
- Public Service Observatory (OSEP), a tripartite permanent monitoring body aimed at improving the quality of public service and making it possible to assess the efficiency and transparency of public service by listening, collecting users' complaints and monitoring their processing;
- the one-stop shop for foreign trade (GUCE), <https://guce.gouv.ci/?lang=fr> which simplifies and standardizes trade procedures, speeds up trade operations, facilitates trade and dematerializes and reduces travel for the various foreign trade actors;
- PRIME: National Program to Support Institutional Reforms and State Modernization, the components of which take into account both modernization and governance, contributes to the improvement of the State's institutional and operational capacities (human capital);
- Youth Employment Agency.

C. Next steps

As next steps, Côte d'Ivoire will pursue the implementation of the 2018-2020 National Action Plan, the monitoring & assessment of the commitment and its participation in the various OGP global and regional meetings.

All these steps should be based on the current report and the end-of-term assessment report of the Independent Report Mechanism as well.

D. Conclusion

The experience gained since Côte d'Ivoire's accession to OGP in terms of implementation and assessment allows it to easily implement the continuation of OGP process in the country. Both the administration and civil society have a better understanding of the requirements and expectations of OGP. This is a major asset for our country, which is gathering experience and maturity in addressing open governance issues.

Côte d'Ivoire is committed to continuing and expanding the actions in progress under OGP because this initiative is a great source of hope.

Côte d'Ivoire reaffirms its commitment and readiness to work with all actors and partners to improve the process at the national and international levels.