

**Open Government Partnership**  
**Criteria and Standards Subcommittee Call Summary**  
Thursday, 21 March, 2019

**Attendees**

- Government of Croatia - Darija Marić
- Government of Italy - Stefano Pizzicannella
- Aidan Eyakuze, Twaweza
- Maria Baron, Directorio Legislativo
- Lucy McTernan, University of York
- Denisse Miranda (Director, IRM); Brendan Halloran (IEP Member), International Budget Partnership
- OGP Support Unit

**Apologies**

- Government of South Africa
- Government of Nigeria
- Suneeta Kaimal, Natural Resources Governance Institute

**Call Summary**

**I. C&S input on the IRM Refresh (non-decisional)**

The Support Unit (SU) provided an overview of the scope and timeline of the 2019 IRM Refresh and sought initial input from C&S on: 1) refining the IRM value proposition to the broader OGP and its relevance and 2) the role of the IRM within the broader OGP structure. The IRM acknowledged this input and as next steps, it will work with C&S on revisions to the IRM charter and will continue to solicit C&S input on how to operationalize these changes.

**II. Response Policy Case Updates**

- A. Mexico:** The SU presented the first draft of the Concern Report for C&S review, comment and endorsement. .

***Decision Item:*** *C&S endorsed the veracity and relevance findings of the report.*

***Next steps:*** The Support Unit will upload the C&S-endorsed report to the OGP website. In parallel, the Support Unit will engage with actors on the ground and will provide C&S options for moving forward for discussion in upcoming calls of the subcommittee.

- B. Azerbaijan:** The SU provided a brief update to C&S on Azerbaijan's progress on the milestones outlined in the [December 2018 SC resolution](#), which include the submission of a roadmap for the Development of the 2019-21 OGP Action Plan.

The SU will continue to provide updates to C&S accordingly with further developments. All documents regarding this Response Policy case can be found [here](#).

### III. **Articles of Governance & Rules of the Game for 2019**

**A. Proposed alternative Indicators to Assess OGP's Values Check:** The SU presented a proposed methodology to use the [CIVICUS Monitor](#) as an alternative database to assess the OGP Values Check for countries not covered by V-Dem. This proposal was tabled for C&S endorsement approval.

***Decision Item:*** *C&S endorsed the SU's proposed methodology to use the CIVICUS Monitor as an alternative for the OGP Values Check assessment.*

***Next Steps:*** The SU will incorporate the CIVICUS Monitor update in the [Eligibility Criteria](#), including information regarding the indicators used, the scoring methodology and clarifying situations when the CIVICUS Monitor would be used for the OGP Values Check.

**B. AoG review status report:** The SU provided an update on the AOG Review and overview of the next steps:

1. The AoG has been made available for public comment for a one month period ending on April 11, 2019. The public comment version can be found [here](#).
2. SU will compile comments received during the public comment period and will present to C&S at its next monthly call.
  - a) Minor comments (i.e. text edits, syntax changes) will be tabled for approval during this review cycle.
  - b) Substantive changes will be presented for C&S to decide if: 1) they merit full SC discussion before finalization or 2) if they will be added to the list of items to be discussed by the SC at the next AOG review.