

Governance and Leadership Subcommittee
Monthly Call Summary | 28 March 2019
08:30 - 09:30 EST

Attendees

- Government of Canada: Melanie Robert, Jaimie Boyd, Natalia Little
- Government of Argentina: Carolina Cornejo
- Nathaniel Heller, Results for Development
- Robin Hodess, The B-Team
- OGP Support Unit

1. Overview of April 4, Steering Committee Call Agenda: The Support Unit (SU) presented a brief overview of the agenda for the upcoming Steering Committee (SC) call on April 4th. The discussion focused on the two substantive sections for the upcoming call, the update on the 2019 OGP Global Summit and the working-level and ministerial SC meetings on May 29. As next steps, the annotated agenda for the April 4 SC call will be circulated early next week.

a. Update on the 2019 OGP Global Summit: GL's primary concern was that the expectations on the SC in the lead-up to and during the Summit are clearly communicated and understood. GL suggested that this session of the call would be a good opportunity to test drive the uptake for the Summit's high-level political deliverables with the working-level POCs, in particular, the call to action on gender and inclusion.

b. May 29 SC meetings: The SU presented the skeleton agenda for the May 29 SC meetings in Ottawa for GL input and comment. The main discussions points were the following:

- i. The *State of the Partnership* address by the OGP CEO is needed and is best placed at the start of the ministerial-level meeting. This is an opportunity to highlight the partnership's major achievements and challenges and sets the right context to table the specific needs on the ministerial SC for OGP's global, country and thematic work.
- ii. The decision on OGP Local should be split between the working-level and ministerial meetings. Consensus on the new OGP Local strategy should first be achieved during the working-level meeting and then presented to the ministerial SC for formal endorsement.

2. Preview of OGP's Flagship Report

The SU presented an overview of the findings and different components of the OGP Flagship Report and opened the discussion for GL input and comment. The comments and SU responses are summarized below:

- a. The rationale and justification underlying a country's classification-between champion and potential champions (for a specific theme or across thematic areas)

needs to be clearly elucidated. *The SU responded that since these categories are collapsed, there is no need to do this.*

- b. The report should note that the data analyzed and assessed is predominantly focused on national governments. This is important to highlight as the findings from countries with decentralized governments could represent discrepancies to the general observations in the report. *The SU responded that a quick note will be added in the report about this.*