

**Criteria and Standards Subcommittee monthly call  
Open Government Partnership**

*Thursday July 14, 2016*

*09:30 WASHINGTON / 11:30 SANTIAGO / 12:30 BRASILIA / 15:30 ZAGREB / 16:30 CAPE  
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**Agenda items**

1. Countries under review updates on Azerbaijan and Hungary
2. Countries under review updates on Australia, Kenya, Montenegro, and Turkey.
3. Countries in danger of being under review: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cabo Verde, South Korea, Spain, and Trinidad and Tobago,
4. Response Policy two-year review
5. Consultation Guidelines
6. Policy Paper on Legislative Engagement

**Action Items**

1. Countries under review updates on Azerbaijan and Hungary
  - Azerbaijan:
  - Hungary: SU visited Budapest on July 9. The government will formally respond to the report and recommendations in the following weeks. It is possible that they will not accept the findings.
2. Countries under review updates on Australia, Kenya, Montenegro, and Turkey.
  - Australia: The election on July 2 returned the governing coalition of PM Malcolm Turnbull to power on July 10, with a reduced majority. Early indications from in-country contacts have that indicated the government will likely re-open the consultations and consider more ambitious reforms. They plan to submit the action plan before October 31. The SU is drafting a letter to the PM congratulating him and stressing the need for a longer consultation process.
  - Kenya: delivered their National Action Plan, they are no longer under review.
  - Montenegro

- Turkey: They missed the first deadline to deliver a Plan to develop the National Action Plan. A visit from SU seems unlikely. Delivery of a consulted National Action Plan by the deadline seems very unlikely.

3. Countries in danger of being under review: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cabo Verde, Denmark, South Korea, Spain, and Trinidad and Tobago,

- Bosnia and Herzegovina: have an assigned Ministry and POC for OGP. Preparations to establish the OGP Council have been underway for some time, and the Council of Ministers is due to approve its establishment. This has been expected since spring. Without this approval, the consultation process for the first action plan cannot begin. However, OGP-related events have taken place, bringing together government actors, civil society, OGP actors from other countries and the IRM researcher.
- Cabo Verde: Government change has slowed things down. The transition has not finalized yet. We remain in touch with the POC, but he might move.
- South Korea: The South Korean PoC wrote last week to say they have started drafting the action plan with civil society and they expect to complete it before the end of August. Civil society contacts have confirmed this is the case.
- Spain
- Trinidad and Tobago. They acted contrary to OGP process already once. The POC informed that due to the oil price crisis they will not be able to work on a new NAP this year. They will be formally under review on October 31st.

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