

Carolina Darias
Minister of Territorial Policy and Civil Service
Government of Spain

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Dear Minister Darias,

We welcome the Government of Spain's participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP), which now comprises 78 countries working to implement open government commitments to promote greater transparency, accountability and citizen engagement in policy making.

The OGP Articles of Governance state that all participating governments are expected to co-create an action plan outlining a concrete set of open government reforms, in line with OGP Participation and Co-Creation standards. Governments that are more than four months late in submitting their action plan will be considered to have acted contrary to OGP process for that action plan cycle.

As of 1 January 2020, the Government of Spain has not submitted its action plan, four months after the deadline of 31 August 2019, and therefore has acted contrary to OGP process. As a result, Spain has been shifted from the "odd year" to the "even year" cohort of OGP participants, and considered to have started a new action plan cycle with a deadline of 31 August 2020 to submit its action plan. In order to avoid the possibility of future review by the Criteria and Standards Subcommittee of the OGP Steering Committee, we recommend that the Government of Spain makes every effort to deliver its action plan by the established deadline.

As mentioned in my other letter, the OGP Support Unit and Steering Committee stand ready to support you in whatever way would be useful. Please do not hesitate to contact the Support Unit if you require any assistance in the finalization of your action plan.

Yours sincerely,



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