Joint TLS/SC Call - 22 April 2020
Call Summary and Action Items

Materials:

     [Sanjay's narrative](#)
     OR+OR activity list and timeline (sent by email)
     [OR+OR web portal](#)
     COVID-19 Open Gov Tracker ("[Tracker of trackers](#)")
     [Social Media Toolkit](#)

The Support Unit presented updates on the new campaign Open Response | Open Recovery, launched on April 21, taking a look at how all activities being undertaken come together under the broader campaign, including the series of digital events (see below) and other ongoing initiatives such as Open Government Guide for Response and Recovery, a tracker of trackers, an overarching op-ed series, playing the role of listening post, and several other online collaboration tools and crowdsourcing efforts. The narrative was also presented in Sanjay's [article](#) published together with the campaign launch which includes a call to action for all stakeholders.

The SU also provided updates on the status of the Digital Forum, which will kick off with an [opening webinar](#) on May 5 and include webinars on five key thematic areas focused on the immediate response phase of the pandemic, a space for regional conversations and a concurrent series of op-eds where Ambassadors and Steering Committee members have been approached to author thought pieces. The Support Unit emphasized Steering Committee involvement as crucial in the next phase of finalizing the campaign and Digital Forum. **Please help us spread the word throughout your networks to [sign up for the opening webinar](#).**

Feedback from the introduction and action items from the discussion include:

Launch of OR+OR Strategy:

- The Support Unit will share modules of a COVID-19 version of the Open Gov Guide dedicated to partner recommendations around short term response and long term recovery from the pandemic with the SC once completed.
- Steering Committee members are encouraged to read and respond to Sanjay's [call to action,](#) and send any additional knowledge or contacts that can expand current knowledge.
- The Subcommittees are welcome to send any suggestions around missing information or themes from the COVID-19 Open Gov Tracker.

     Update on Digital Forum:

-      The series of digital conversations will include five thematic webinars on (1) public service delivery in the health sector, (2) open spending and procurement, (3) digital

surveillance, (4) transparency around data and decision-making and (5) access to justice during a pandemic. The Support Unit is coordinating these webinars with partners leading on each area. If you are interested in participating or know of potential country-level speakers to showcase please contact the Support Unit.

- The conversations during the week of May 4th will focus on the immediate response of the pandemic. The government of Argentina and Robin presented the proposal to host a digital forum focused on the recovery and "reform" phase of the pandemic. The Support Unit and SC will continue to think through how to connect important conversations throughout the course of the response phases and provide a framework for learning.
- Other suggested conversations suggested by SC members include concerns from civil society organizations around funding and longevity, and engaging a broader range of stakeholders such as parliamentarians. The Support Unit will follow up on how to best integrate these conversations.
- The Support Unit will set a date to reconvene after the forum and discuss the next phase of OR+OR, including on the longer term trends and implications of the pandemic, both on OGP and the broader open government and democracy fields.