

TLS Call - 31 March 2020

Call Summary and Action Items

Part 1: Discussion on open government and the COVID-19 pandemic

The first part of the TLS call focused on open government and Corona. This had three objectives: 1) provide a forum for SC members to share ongoing efforts taken by their governments and organizations to tackle the Corona crisis, 2) Discuss what coordination platform could be helpful for the OGP SU to provide in this crisis, and 3) the role that SC members would like to play to amplify open government principles within the community.

The Co-Chairs kicked off the discussion by reiterating the important role for OGP to play in such a time and urging the subcommittee to brainstorm ways in which OGP could help strategically amplify open gov principles in government responses across the Partnership. Helen Darbshire presented a framework of open government principles that could inform policy responses (see attached).

The following next steps emerged from the discussion:

Open Gov during the COVID-19 Pandemic

SU to coordinate a program around peer learning and exchange (including webinars, thought leadership) on some sub-topics related to open government relevant to the COVID-19 crisis. This could include government speakers and civil society partners

SU to share an adjusted communications plan, including the elements highlighted above.

SU to coordinate a larger discussion between interested TLS and other SC members focused on OGP and COVID-19 related strategic programming (**proposed date:**

Wednesday 8th: 09:00-10:00 EDT)

Part 2: Closing the loop on OGP's research agenda discussion

Joe Foti, OGP's Chief Research Officer provided the feedback received from the SC discussions at the Feb 2020 SC meetings in Berlin.

Feedback on how TLS can help reprioritize and find additional resources to be continued in the next TLS Subcommittee call

