



Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission

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Open Government Partnership
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Attn: Mr Sanjay Pradhan, CEO
By email: info@opengovpartnership.org

Dear Mr Pradhan

Extending the development period for Aotearoa New Zealand's Fourth National Action Plan

The Hon Chris Hipkins, Minister for the Public Service, has asked me to write to you about the development of Aotearoa New Zealand's fourth National Action Plan (NAP4).

We have been in communication with your office around New Zealand's interest in extending the development period for NAP4 in response to a request from a group of civil society organisations earlier this year. We understand that the appropriate process is for us to advise you of our intentions to extend.

Accordingly, please be advised that Aotearoa New Zealand will extend the development period for NAP4 to mid-2022. We understand this means we would shift to the 2022 cohort and be subject to that timeline.

The idea-gathering phase of developing the plan is already well advanced, which gives us good visibility of the themes and volume of ideas. Extending the timeframe will provide more time for public engagement, particularly for the development of Commitments to take place with civil society.

We look forward to continuing our engagement with the OGP Support Unit as our new plan takes shape.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Hughes'.

Peter Hughes (he/him)
Te Tumu Whakarae mo Te Kawa Mataaho
Public Service Commissioner | Head of Service