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His Excellency Ulisses Correia e Silva
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Your Excellency,

We welcome the Government of Cabo Verde's participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP), which now comprises 78 national and 76 local governments working to implement open government commitments to promote greater transparency, accountability and citizen engagement in policy-making.

This letter is to inform you that as of the deadline of 31 December 2021, the Support Unit has not received Cabo Verde's 2021-23 Action Plan, and therefore has acted contrary to the OGP process, and is considered to have started a new action plan cycle.

Cabo Verde has now acted contrary to process for two consecutive action plan cycles. A copy of the letter notifying the previous occurrence (failure to meet the minimum co-creation standards in its 2018-2020 action plan) is enclosed for your records. In line with OGP policy, Cabo Verde will be placed under Procedural Review by the Criteria & Standards (C&S) Subcommittee, which involves enhanced support to help address the issues that have led to this review.

The review process can be finalized by submitting a new action plan by 31 December 2022. In order to avoid the possibility of further review by the C&S Subcommittee, we recommend that the Government of Cabo Verde makes every effort to meet this deadline.

While we encourage the swift development of Cabo Verde's action plan, it is important to underscore the need for a strong co-creation process that meets minimum standards. Please note that in 2021 the Steering Committee approved new Participation and Co-creation Standards that all OGP participating countries will have to observe in order to avoid acting contrary to process. Guidance materials for the new standards will be available soon.



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 have any questions regarding this notification.

Yours sincerely,



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11 March 2021

**His Excellency José Ulisses Correia e Silva
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Your Excellency,

We welcome the Government of Cabo Verde'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.

As you are aware, all OGP 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.

For its 2018-2020 action plan, the Government of Cabo Verde did not meet the OGP minimum requirement for public influence during co-creation - known as "Involve" - as assessed by the Independent Reporting Mechanism (IRM) in their [report](#). Therefore, Cabo Verde has acted contrary to the OGP process for the 2018-2020 cycle.

In line with [OGP policy](#), 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 Cabo Verde makes every effort to meet the minimum requirements set forth in the OGP Participation and Co-Creation standards during the development of its next action plan.

The OGP Support Unit and Steering Committee stand ready to support you in whatever way would be useful. The Support Unit will contact you and your team to provide additional information regarding this assessment.

Yours sincerely,



Sanjay Pradhan
Chief Executive Officer