

MUNICIPALIDAD DE LA CIUDAD DE CORRIENTES DEPARTAMENTO EJECUTIVO MUNICIPAL

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Dear Open Government Partnership co-chairs,

The municipality of Corrientes expresses its intention to join the Open Government Partnership, recognizing the importance of this international multilateral initiative in supporting the actions of Governments and civil society to promote transparency, the strengthening of democratic mechanisms and citizenship, and the use of Information and Communication Technologies to enhance the relationship between the State and the citizen.

Also we are interested to join you, because the Municipality of Corrientes has the mission to "Turn into an efficient, transparent and modern institution that achieves a cultural change in the life of the neighbors of the city, improving the provision of its public services and generating conditions of growth, development and inclusion".

To get that, we are looking for a space where we can build collaboration networks, co-create public policies that reflect an open management for the citizens and offer real benefits to them.

In addition, we have the purpose to continue keeping the municipality as a referent of the region in policies of Open Government. The management is based in a Friendly city, Sustainable, of Opportunities and a Modern city which are lined up with the OGP.

The "Dirección General de Innovación Pública y Gobierno Abierto", is guided for the methodologies, values, methods of work of the OGP and it would be so enriching to work with your support, learning and improving the methodologies and the scope of the public policies, further to incorporate new tools that allow strengthen the governance.

Therefore, we considered that being part of the Local OGP is going to give us more support to the job we are doing and more scope of the inside and outside sensibilisation in the formulation of public policies, where could be included citizen participation, collaboration with other areas of the government, with the private sector and the ONGs, get impulse the public innovation and report back about it.



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Recent examples of our work are the projects:

"Open Data Portal" which disponibilizate the municipality data, and involves other public local areas, and actors of the society in the utilization, processing and co-creation solutions, generating added value from them.

The "Course of Digital Innovation" has the purpose of reducing the digital gap in the use and appropriation of the new technologies, and seeks to motivate the citizens so they can get new tools that are useful for the development of their personal and professional skills.

"Mitá, Youth for the environment": This program looks to connect youths of Corrientes's high schools, creating innovative solutions about themes that involve a positive impact in the community, through a competition which requires the development of projects.

"Participate workshops' ' were created thanks to the Open Government Federal Program, impulsed by the National Direction of Open Government. It is on development and it is about the topic of "Equality of gender and respect of the group LGTBQ+ in the educational, health and neighborhood environment".

"A path to Open Government": This event is developed during the Open Government Week of the OGP, where they seek to broaden the vision of the implications of an open state, not just focusing on the big pillars, but also approaching cross-cutting issues to the schedule of civil society.

In the municipal area of the City of Corrientes, there is an area dedicated to Open Government topics with more than 10 people, specifically the "Dirección General de Innovación Pública y Gobierno Abierto" which depends of the "Subsecretaria de Modernización, Innovación y Tecnología", as well as personnel from the other General Directorates that are willing to collaborate. In addition, material and technological resources are available to be used in future training, courses and others provided by the OGP. We are currently part of: Red de Innovación Local (RIL), Network of mayors against climate change, Mercociudades since 2012 and MUNIRED at a provincial level. RIL is the non-governmental organization that supports this application.

We have an extensive experience and trajectory of four years of management and counting, which are reflected in the various actions promoted by this area, which are maintained over time and managed to position themselves in public agendas and in



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the collective of the society. Citizen participation, Transparency, Accountability, Open Data Governance, Civic space, those are some of the principles we work everyday and in every policie we propose.

As an area within Modernization, we are interested in the themes: Gender, Civic Space, Digital Governance, Right to Information, Marginalized Community, to keep learning, working and managing policies aligned to the basic principles of Open Government.

We hope to receive capacitation and know about other experiences and good practices to define annual plans of the government's actions. The benefit would be to the municipality and also to the ONGs that actually have a bounded action field to the target, resulting in a challenge to the horizontal collaboration between us.

Therefore, it is with great enthusiasm that we look forward to our future membership and to the consequent preparation of an action plan to be developed on the basis of a broad consultation and participation of the civil society, designating for that purpose Miss Guadalupe del Arca, director of the "Dirección de Innovación Pública y Gobierno Abierto" as the point of contact of the local government.

Best regards,

Dr. Hugo R. Calvaño Secretario de Coordinación de Gobierno



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Non-governmental Letter of Support: Call for new members to OGP Local 2022

Red de Innovación Local is pleased to support the application of Municipalidad de Corrientes to join OGP Local. By joining OGP Local, we support the endorsement of the <u>Open Government Declaration</u> and its principles within it.

We acknowledge that as a member of OGP Local we are embarking on a journey of collaboration, learning and action and commit to work together as partners with government in all steps of the OGP Local process, especially in the co-creation, implementation and learning of ambitious commitments. In addition, we will support the values of open government in our OGP local process and ensure it is transparent, participatory and accountable.

We recognize that by joining OGP Local, we become a member of a global community of government and civil society who strive to innovate, spur progress and promote learning within and across jurisdictions. This global community is strengthened by the actions of its members, hence, we pledge to be an active member of this global community and support other members with peer exchanges and engaging at the local, national and international level to promote the values of open government.

If given the opportunity to become a member of OGP Local in the 2022 call, the Red de Innovación Local lead by Delfina Irazusta will be responsible for leading locally the OGP Local process and liaising with the OGP Support Unit. In addition, we commit to make available the necessary human, financial and technical resources to participate in the co-creation, implementation and learning from ambitious commitments within the action plan.

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