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**REVIEW**

In July 2011, Paraguay had started the path towards the Open Government paradigm, thus beginning a process of dissemination at the country level to, in November of the same year, apply to become an active part of the international *Open Government Partnership (OGP)*, seeking to ensure the commitment to promote transparency, citizen participation and strengthening the fight against corruption, the use of new technologies and openness to accountability as ways to strengthen democracy.

This Fifth Open Government Action Plan (PAGA) 2022-2024, through its Commitments, is evidence of how the State is committed to the guiding principles of OGP, based on its adherence to the Open Government Declaration and incorporating these principles into its actions.

The Commitments assumed by the countries with respect to the principles of Open Government include goals, deadlines, and institutions responsible for implementing them. They are valid for two years and are developed in conjunction with civil society organizations.

In the collaborative space established for the co-creation of the Fifth Action Plan, the participants provided their valuable contributions in the different commitments proposed for its implementation in the three branches of government, autonomous bodies, and local governments. The Action Plan has been approved by the Joint Bureau and the Open Government Executive Committee, as well as by the authorities of the Technical Secretariat for Economic and Social Development Planning (STP), in its role as focal point before the international body.

The Commitments contained herein are aligned with the National Development Plan 2030 (PND 2030); the National Integrity, Transparency and Anti-Corruption Plan (PNI) 2021-2025 and the Sustainable Development Goals 2030 (SDGs), as well as with the National Government's prioritized sectors and axes.

## INTRODUCTION

Open Government seeks collaboration between States, civil society, and other actors (citizens, civil society organizations, departmental and municipal governments, parliaments, academia, private sector, etc.), as a central element of the OGP process, based on the permanent participation and collaboration of the sectors in the exercise of citizens' rights and the fulfillment of obligations.

For this co-creation process, the minimum requirements have been observed and fulfilled as a starting point, in the following OGP standards in force since the beginning of the year 2022:

Standard 1: Establish a space for ongoing dialogue and collaboration between government, civil society, and other non-governmental actors.

Standard 2: Provide open, accessible, and timely information about members' activities and progress as part of their OGP participation.

Standard 3: Provide inclusive and informed opportunities for public participation during the action plan co-creation process.

Standard 4: Provide reasoned response and ensure continuous dialogue between government and civil society and other non-governmental stakeholders during the co-creation of the action plan.

Standard 5: Provide inclusive and informed opportunities for ongoing dialogue and collaboration during implementation and monitoring of the action plan.<sup>1</sup>

The implementation of the co-creation process of the Fifth Action Plan was not an easy task, since coordinating and organizing virtual spaces for participation can be difficult. Although they are open instances, there are gaps or barriers of access to internet services and virtual platforms, which are beyond the attributions of both the Joint Bureau and the Executive Committee. To counteract this situation and ensure the representativeness of some specific groups, online dissemination days were held to promote participation through social networks.

The following sections describe the main characteristics of the present co-creation process of the Fifth Action Plan, its stages and results obtained. The document presents the development chronologically; consequently, the phases established in the methodology are not necessarily described one after the other, nor as a chapter in itself<sup>2</sup>.

- Public consultation to define issues and problems.

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<sup>1</sup> Participation and Co-Creation Standards - Approved by the OGP Steering Committee on November 24, 2021 -Effective January 1, 2022 (See <https://www.opengovpartnership.org/es/ogp-participation-co-creation-standards/>)

<sup>2</sup> <http://gobiernoabierto.gov.py/cocreacion-quinto-paga/>

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- Definition of commitments: co-creation roundtables and formulation of roadmaps.
- Systematization of the results of the public consultation.
- Workshops of thematic co-creation tables.
- Tracking tool.

We thank everyone for their work, collaboration, permanent support, and concern throughout the process, which has been fundamental for the realization of this Action Plan. This co-creation process has been arduous, given the special context in which it was developed. But by observing and analyzing the actions carried out, important progress has been made to promote the principles of Open Government, to deepen the standards of co-creation and participation and, finally, to move towards an Open State.

**ACTION PLAN READING GUIDE**

The Plan contained in this document has three main parts:

Efforts to date: this is the first section of this document and describes the State's efforts to implement the commitments, as well as actions related to the Open Government principles.

Methodological development: this is the second section of this document and explains the principles and criteria that guided the formulation of this Plan, the international standards that were considered and how they were reflected throughout the process.

Commitments: this is the core part of this Action Plan, which contains the commitments that are the actions that incorporate the relevant principles. These commitments must be implemented during the life of the Plan. In this publication, the commitments start on page 20 and go to the end of this document.

Some important terms and abbreviations are:

**AGA or OGP**: Open Government Partnership (in Spanish) or Open Government Partnership (in English).

**Open State**: this refers to "(...) the formally expressed will of governments, parliaments, courts of justice, public control bodies or other state or parastatal institutions to promote the opening of their data repositories, citizen access to information, social participation in the different phases of the public policy cycle, accountability and, in general, citizen control of public management (...) "<sup>3</sup> .

For the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), Open State is *"when the Executive, Legislative and Judicial branches, independent public institutions and all levels of government - recognizing their respective roles, prerogatives and overall independence under their existing legal and institutional frameworks - collaborate, exploit synergies and share good practices and lessons learned with each other and with other stakeholders to promote transparency, integrity, accountability and stakeholder participation, in support of democracy and inclusive growth" <sup>4</sup> .*

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<sup>3</sup> Oszlak, O. (2017). The notion of Open State in the context of Latin America and the Caribbean (pp. 209-230). In A. Naser, A. Ramírez-Alujas, & D. Rosales (Eds.), From Open Government to the Open State in Latin America and the Caribbean. Santiago de Chile: ECLAC <https://repositorio.cepal.org/handle/11362/44756>

<sup>4</sup> OECD Recommendation on Open Government <https://www.oecd.org/gov/oecd-recommendation-of-the-council-on-open-government-es.pdf>



**Open Parliament Paraguay:** platform for collaboration between citizens, civil society organizations, legislators, legislative officials, and members of other branches of government, to promote in a joint, coordinated and sustainable manner, the openness of the legislative institution through concrete actions established in action plans, coordinated with all stakeholders.

**Open Justice:** Peter Sharp, an expert in the field, defines Open Justice as *"a permanent dialogue between the justice ecosystem and the citizenry that, based on transparency, participation and collaboration, allows full access to justice, generating social honor and public value for those involved"*.

In this Plan there are commitments from the Executive Branch, the Legislative Branch (Open Parliament), the Judicial Branch (Open Justice) and autonomous constitutional bodies that are presented in that order in this document. Therefore, it includes not only the Government, traditionally understood as the Executive Branch, but the entire State.

**Open Government Principles:** These are the fundamental principles that must be embodied in the commitments, such as transparency, participation and collaboration, accountability, and the use of new technologies.

**Milestones:** These are the core activities of a Commitment with their implementation date, the execution of which shows the degree of progress.

**PAGA:** Open Government Action Plan.

**DGGA/STP:** General Directorate of Open Government of the Technical Secretariat for Economic and Social Development Planning.

Due to the pandemic that began in early 2020, the PTS, through its General Directorate of Open Government, initiated preparatory activities for the Fifth PAGA with civil society organizations in October 2021 through an invitation for the formation of the Joint Roundtable.<sup>5</sup>

During the initial meeting, interest was expressed in the country becoming part of the countries that co-create and develop their Action Plans in "even years", returning to this group after the extension of the Fourth PAGA. The request of the PTS, justified by the situations caused by the effect of COVID-19, was accepted.

Paraguay has moved into the "even year" cohort of OGP participants in December 2021, and is considered to have started a new Action Plan cycle with a deadline of December 31, 2022 to submit its action plan, which allows it to be in line with the update of the National Development Plan 2030, highlighting the incorporation of Axis 4 "Institutional Political Strengthening"; as well as the National Plan for Integrity, Transparency and Anti-Corruption 2021-2025 that was approved by Decree No. 4.458 of December 9, 2020.<sup>6</sup>

The following is a detail of the efforts made in the areas of transparency, accountability, citizen participation, and technology and innovation:

### **Progress and update of the PND 2030**

With the update of the Paraguay 2030 National Development Plan, Paraguay has a roadmap to 2030, which presents a vision of a country based on the knowledge economy; with social development indexes at the highest level in South America; connected and open to its neighbors and the world; environmentally and economically sustainable.

The PND 2030 is a dynamic planning instrument, with priority objectives, which includes indicators with ambitious long-term goals that lead actions towards sustainable development, with the involvement and participation of all state agencies and entities and civil society. The update of the PND Paraguay 2030 seeks to strengthen the country's planning towards more systemic processes, incorporating solid tools that respond to a situation in which both Paraguay and the rest of the world are adjusting and implementing development strategies in line with

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<sup>5</sup> <https://www.stp.gov.py/v1/invitan-a-participar-de-la-mesa-conjunta-de-gobierno-abierto/>  
<https://www.stp.gov.py/v1/mesa-conjunta-de-gobierno-abierto-realizo-reunion-de-trabajo/>  
<http://gobiernoabierto.gov.py/2021/11/05/mesa-conjunta-de-gobierno-abierto-realizo-reunion-de-trabajo/>  
[https://zoom.us/rec/share/a8I97\\_DEurDpBHpawZFKcVXMay3tDPc9Mhu9nouW6aDwQeMgCAcJWNG1H1zHMIk9.vK9rXiiMBDWDV-0j](https://zoom.us/rec/share/a8I97_DEurDpBHpawZFKcVXMay3tDPc9Mhu9nouW6aDwQeMgCAcJWNG1H1zHMIk9.vK9rXiiMBDWDV-0j) (Access code: %Raj1Y8%)

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.opengovpartnership.org/es/documents/paraguay-cohort-shift-december-2021/>

the Sustainable Development Goals that seek to transform societies into prosperous and resilient economies.

The updated PND Paraguay 2030 is aimed at transforming the State, leading to sustainable and inclusive development that promotes the dynamization and diversification of the productive structure, with human development and the environment at its core.<sup>7</sup>

A highlight of the update of the PND 2030 is the incorporation of a new axis called "Political Institutional Strengthening", which reflects "the transformation and innovation of key development factors within the framework of human rights, justice, security, defense and modernization of the Public Administration".

Thus, the updated PND Paraguay 2030 is composed of 21 strategic objectives resulting from the interaction of its 4 strategic axes and 4 cross-cutting lines, which represent the framework of intervention of programs and projects in the areas of social, economic, environmental, and institutional policy. This flexibility is what makes it possible to address all issues of interest in a complementary and subsidiary manner for each level of the State and with differentiated emphasis according to the social priorities in each democratic period.

### Updated PND strategic matrix

| STRATEGIC AXES                                    | TRANSVERSAL LINES  |   |  |  |
|---|--|---|--|--|
|   | A - EQUAL OPPORTUNITY  | B - EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT                                   | C - TERRITORIAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT                         | D - ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY                             |
| Poverty reduction and social development          | 1.1 Achieving equitable social development                               | 1.2. Provide quality social services  | 1.3. Achieving participatory local development                   | Develop an adequate and sustainable habitat.                 |
| Inclusive economic growth                         | 2.1. Promoting employment and social security                            | 2.2. Promoting competitiveness and innovation                                     | 2.3. Expanding regionalization and diversification of production | 2.4. Valuing environmental capital                           |
| Axis 3. Projection of Paraguay in the world       | 3.1. Ensuring equal opportunities in a globalized world                  | 3.2. To promote investment attraction, foreign trade, tourism, and country image. | 3.3. Strengthening regional economic integration                 | Contribute to the sustainability of the global habitat.      |
| Axis 4. Political and institutional strengthening | 4.1. Guaranteeing access to human rights, improving justice and security | 4.2. Modernizing public administration  | 4.3. Moving towards effective decentralization                   | To protect and defend the environment and natural resources. |
|   | <b>Social Policy</b>   | <b>Economic Policy</b>  | <b>Environmental Policy</b>                                      | <b>Institutional Policy</b>                                  |

<sup>7</sup> See National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 at <https://www.stp.gov.py/pnd/>

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In Transparency and Efficiency in Public Management (4.2.5), the NDP mentions that "an initiative that promotes participation and accountability in public administration is Open Government. Since 2011 Paraguay, through the STP, has been committed to promoting transparency; citizen participation; strengthening the fight against corruption; and the use of new technologies to increase efficiency, effectiveness, openness, and accountability".

Following the country's entry into the Open Government Partnership (OGP), with representatives of civil society and academia, the Action Plans are being carried out and the Fifth Action Plan for the period 2022-2024 is currently being co-created, within the framework of the PND 2030, the National Integrity, Transparency and Anti-Corruption Plan 2021-2025 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (ODS 2030).

### **National Integrity, Transparency and Anticorruption Plan 2021-2025 (PNI)**

Approved by Executive Decree No. 4,458 of December 9, 2020, it is a document that systematizes the actions of different institutions of the Paraguayan State, to promote transparency, integrity, and the fight against corruption.

Each institution of the three branches of government has specific functions in each axis of the National Plan, with which Paraguay reaffirms its commitment to promote transparency and the fight against corruption, to be coordinated by the National Anticorruption Secretariat (SENAC) and the National Integrity and Transparency Team (ENIT).

Linked to the Open Government Partnership through its Axis 1: Preventive capacity of the State against acts of corruption - Strategy 1.1 - Strengthen policies of access to public information, active transparency and accountability; Strategy 1.2 - Promote integrity and public ethics and a culture of legality in public servants, the private sector and citizens; 6. Promotion of the Open Government approach in public administration through compliance with the initiatives of the Open Government Action Plan (PAGA).

### **Accountability Portal<sup>8</sup>**

This Portal contributes to the alignment of the country with international commitments such as the Open Government Partnership (OGP). In addition, it also helps to consolidate the progress made by Paraguay in terms of transparency.

It was developed with the purpose of providing the citizen with complete data on the management of funds by the different State Agencies and Entities destined to the containment of COVID-19, with general and specific visualizations of the disbursement of subsidies,

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<sup>8</sup> See at <https://rindiendocumentas.gov.py/>



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programs in execution, contracting of goods and services, donations, salaries and bonuses, financing, consultation mechanisms, complaints, among other topics of interest. It is linked to the databases of numerous institutions of the Paraguayan State and is available in open data, to facilitate the control and monitoring of all investments made in the context of the pandemic.

#### **Paraguay in Results<sup>9</sup>**

A platform that seeks to promote transparency, encourage participation, and strengthen the interest of citizens in knowing how state resources are planned, collected, and invested.

Paraguay in Results displays the progress status of each of the NDP indicators, with two main modules: Planning and Budget.

#### **Government Management Dashboard<sup>10</sup>**

The Government Management Dashboard is a free access digital tool, which allows visualizing data by Department and/or year, knowing the investment of the State in actions selected for this tool. This initiative constitutes a strong commitment to transparency, promoting citizen participation through access to public information, with data since 2018.

As a tool, the Government Management Dashboard and the Departmental Socioeconomic Report present some emblematic programs that the State Agencies and Entities (OEE) that are executed in the territory, covering all the departments of the country, and serves as an element of consultation and decision for government institutions and citizens in general.

The information shown here corresponds to data reported and validated by the public institutions involved, to the Planning for Results System.

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<sup>9</sup> See at <https://pyenresultados.rindiendocuentas.gov.py/>

<sup>10</sup> See at <https://tablero.gov.py/>

## **FOURTH OPEN GOVERNMENT ACTION PLAN (PAGA) 2018-2020**

The implementation of the Fourth Paraguay Action Plan for 2018-2020, has been worked and adjusted with the new approach in the framework of the IRM update<sup>11</sup>, considering the pandemic by COVID-19 on OGP processes, which forced the entities to reorient priorities and arrange efforts to be able to respond to this social problem, which made it impossible to meet all commitments. Several of the actions set out in the action plan to be carried out by 2020 were affected by the pandemic. Tools proposed in two of the commitments of the action plan were not completed. Testing or piloting of these tools was either suspended or efforts were redirected to address other issues associated with the pandemic.

Of 35 commitments established, 10 were substantially implemented and 8 were completed.

### **PARTICIPATION IN REGIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL EVENTS**

In December 2021, we participated in the Open Government Global Summit, under the presidency of South Korea and the co-presidency of Maria Baron, for civil society. In a video available to OGP we ratified our commitment to participate and adhere to the Open Government Principles that are the fundamental pillars of a just and democratic society.<sup>12</sup>

At the beginning of 2022, virtual workshops on open government were resumed and the PTS developed virtual workshops on transparency, integrity, accountability, technology, anti-corruption, and institutional strengthening; public services (health, education, housing, etc.); inclusion (vulnerable groups, women, children, etc.); environment (climate change, deforestation, etc.).

The work and resulting products are thanks to the collaboration of various actors: the Joint Bureau and the Executive Committee, and the participation of civil society organizations, citizens, public institutions, and academia.

### **PARTICIPATION IN OPEN PARLIAMENT ACTION PLANS.**

Since the end of 2015, the Legislative Branch has participated in Open Government initiatives, initiating the internal process of socialization with legislators and officials of strategic and missionary positions, for the internalization of the principles, study, and cultural learning, resulting in the First Parliament Action Plan published in 2016.

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<sup>11</sup> <https://www.opengovpartnership.org/process/accountability/about-the-irm/irm-refresh/>

<sup>12</sup> See video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y4mAgGzhDM>



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To date, the Third Action Plan is being implemented, in which the Commitments incorporated into this PAGA have been identified.

## METHODOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Technical Secretariat for Economic and Social Development Planning (STP), together with the members of the Joint Bureau and the Executive Committee, with the support of UNDP, began the process of co-creating the Fifth Action Plan 2022-2024.

For this, and in accordance with the Regulations of the Joint Bureau and the Executive Committee of Open Government Paraguay<sup>13</sup>, the Executive Committee was formed with the mission of "*fostering coordination and collaborative work between public institutions and civil society for the promotion of Open Government policies and articulate actions within the framework of Paraguay's participation in the Open Government Partnership*". It was created with representatives of the following civil society organizations: Fundación Centro de Información y Recursos para el Desarrollo (CIRD); Centro de Estudios Ambientales y Sociales (CEAMSO); Civilab and Juntos por la Educación, and public institutions: Secretaría Técnica de Planificación del Desarrollo Económico y Social (STP); Poder Legislativo - Parlamento Abierto, Corte Suprema de Justicia (CSJ) and Secretaría Nacional Anticorrupción (SENAC).

### *Co-creation process of the Fifth Open Government Action Plan (OGPAP) 2022-2024*

The process of co-creation of the Fifth PAGA began in February 2022 and was driven by initiatives to raise awareness of Open Government principles promoted by the Open Government Partnership (OGP) and meetings of the Joint Table, which is equivalent to what is internationally known as the Multi-Stakeholder Forum.

In general terms, a Joint Roundtable and an Open Government Executive Committee were established as a joint space for the coordination, support and monitoring of the results, the co-creation process, and the implementation of the Action Plan, maximizing the participation and cooperation between actors from the State, civil society, universities and citizens. In this way, it seeks to promote debate, consensus, balance, and diversity of participation.

Under the coordination of the Executive Committee, the Fifth Plan was co-created with the collaboration and participation of actors from the public sector, civil society, universities, and citizens. The Fifth PAGA includes public commitments to promote transparency, accountability, and public participation throughout the State.

### *General characteristics of the process:*

- A mixed process (face-to-face and virtual meetings).
- It combined the use of synchronous participation tools (dialogue tables and workshops through Zoom) with asynchronous digital citizen participation tools such as the proposal management and public consultation platform.

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<sup>13</sup> See Regulations at: [https://gobiernoabierto.gov.py/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Reglamento-GA\\_CompressPdf.pdf](https://gobiernoabierto.gov.py/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Reglamento-GA_CompressPdf.pdf)



- In the design of each of the roundtables, one of the objectives was to achieve a process with decentralized, broad, and diverse participation, placing special emphasis on the integration of the roundtables, as well as on their contents.

### *Time of the co-creation process of the Quinto PAGA*

The co-creation process spanned approximately six months, from July to December 2022. Once published, the implementation period for this Action Plan is two years and will conclude on December 31, 2024.

### *Chronology and phases of the co-creation of Quinto PAGA*

The co-creation process was divided into 5 (five) separate phases, beginning with a broad effort to capture ideas and problem statements, then refining the inputs into topic areas, and ultimately developing preliminary and final Commitments. These phases are described in the timeline below.

|  |  |
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| July - August 2022   | Outreach: The initial outreach and idea generation phase involved proactive efforts to identify and include civil society organizations, universities, public institutions, and citizens.  |
|  | This stage was the first opportunity to begin providing ideas and issues that could help form the basis of the Commitments in the Fifth PAGA. Two weeks after the co-creation process was published, an online form was <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AOGnDjwk6sQJUPxYHJ2yqmAGHo5GsdJZJXkz9Cc4zNw/closedform">available here</a> (https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AOGnDjwk6sQJUPxYHJ2yqmAGHo5GsdJZJXkz9Cc4zNw/closedform) to solicit ideas. |
| Social networks, both those of Open Government Paraguay and those of member organizations of the Executive Committee.<br><br>Website is <a href="http://www.gobiernoabierto.gov.py">www.gobiernoabierto.gov.py</a> , and on social networks: Instagram <a href="https://www.instagram.com/gobiernoabiertopy/">https://www.instagram.com/gobiernoabiertopy/</a> ; Twitter @paraguayabierto; Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/gobiernoabiertopy/">www.facebook.com/gobiernoabiertopy/</a> ; YouTube Gobierno Abierto Paraguay, with the hashtag #GobiernoAbiertoPy. |  |
| August 2022  | Conformation: The conformation phase helped organize the initial input into more logical structures with clear problem statements, proposed solutions, and general themes.   |
|  | Drafting: The drafting phase included thematic workshops that brought together stakeholders focused on specific thematic areas to begin drafting commitments.  |

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|--------------------------|--|
| September - October 2022 | Review: The review phase included consultative sessions with opportunities for feedback and revisions on the first draft of commitments. |
| October - December 2022  | Finalization: The final phase supported the final comments and approval process necessary to publish and communicate the Plan.           |

### Disclosure:

Presentation of the co-creation process of the Fifth Plan

Communication and awareness on the co-creation process

Responsible party: Technical Secretariat for Economic and Social Development Planning (STP) - General Directorate of Open Government (DGGA)

Time: August 01 to August 20, 2022

### Activities:

Web with schedule, methodology and forms available to the public as of August 5, 2022.

Raising awareness about Open Government and sending notes to State Agencies and Entities (OEE) about the start of the co-creation process.

### Conformation:

Conducting public consultation.

Online public consultation to receive proposals from citizens.

Holding of workshops to collect proposals.

Responsible: STP Focal Point and Executive Committee

Time: August 11 to August 30, 2022

### Activities:

Review of web-based queries.

Review of notes issued by the OEE.

Choose topics for the prioritization of the thematic roundtables

Workshop dates:

4 workshops of the Joint Bureau are planned

1st Joint Table Workshop - September 19 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Virtual modality.

### Editorial staff:

In consideration of the results of the public consultation and the proposals of the public sector, civil society, and universities, always based on the principles of Open Government: transparency and access to public information; accountability; citizen participation and collaboration; and the use of information and communication technologies.

Prioritization Tables (Thematic)

Responsibility: Focal Point, Joint Bureau, Executive Committee.

Time: October 2022.

Activities

Holding of thematic roundtables to integrate the proposals of institutions and organizations.

Analysis of online proposals.

Commitment Building Tables.

At this stage, the commitments to be assumed were built, and the objectives, relevance, challenges, goals, and responsible parties were also defined. They were carried out in different thematic roundtables, integrated by the different social actors linked to the topic, which could be done through virtual platforms or face-to-face workshops.

Time: October 2022

Co-creation workshops. They were proposed as a group of working tables according to OGP principles.

Working Group Executive Committee

Work date: October 17, 19, 21, 31, 04, 14 and 21, November 2022. Evaluation of the criteria of the Commitment Templates.

From 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

#### *Process indicators*

*The following is a summary of the indicators of the process developed:*

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| <p><i>CO-CREATION PROCESS OF THE FIFTH OPEN GOVERNMENT ACTION PLAN FOR PARAGUAY<br/>2022-2024 JOINT TABLE<br/>SEPTEMBER 19, 2022</i></p> |                  |
| <i>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</i>  | <i>67 PEOPLE</i> |

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| <p><i>THEMATIC ROUNDTABLE 1- TRANSPARENCY, INTEGRITY, FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION<br/>OCTOBER 05, 2022</i></p>       |                  |
| <i>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</i>   | <i>29 PEOPLE</i> |
| <p><i>THEMATIC ROUNDTABLE 2- PUBLIC SERVICES<br/>OCTOBER 06, 2022</i></p>   |                  |
| <i>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</i>   | <i>19 PEOPLE</i> |
| <p><i>THEMATIC ROUNDTABLE 3 - INCLUSION (VULNERABLE GROUPS, WOMEN, CHILDREN, OTHERS)<br/>OCTOBER 07, 2022</i></p> |                  |
| <i>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</i>   | <i>21 PEOPLE</i> |
| <p><i>THEMATIC ROUNDTABLE 4 - ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE<br/>OCTOBER 10, 2022</i></p>                         |                  |

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| <i>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</i>                                    | <i>19 PEOPLE</i> |
| <i>THEMATIC TABLE - OPEN PARLIAMENT<br/>OCTOBER 25, 2022</i> |                  |
| <i>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</i>                                    | <i>44 PEOPLE</i> |

### *About the participants:*

People who participated in the process: 198 - women: 117 and men:81

Representation of public institutions at national and departmental level: 123

Representation of civil society organizations: 30

Academy representation: 15

Representatives of international organizations: 4

Private sector representatives: 2

Staff representatives: 4

### *About the proposals submitted:*

Proposals submitted through the consultation form: 29 proposals

Proposals submitted by Public Institutions: 26

### *They were grouped into 5 thematic areas*

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| TRANSPARENCY,<br>INTEGRITY,<br>ACCOUNTABILITY,<br>TECHNOLOGY,<br>ANTI-CORRUPTION,<br>AND<br>INSTITUTIONAL<br>STRENGTHENING | PUBLIC SERVICES<br>(HEALTH, EDUCATION,<br>HOUSING, ETC.) | INCLUSION<br>(VULNERABLE<br>GROUPS, WOMEN,<br>CHILDREN, ETC.) | ENVIRONMENT<br>(CLIMATE CHANGE,<br>DEFORESTATION,<br>ETC.) | OPEN PARLIAMENT                 |
| <b>AGA<br/>Principles</b>  | TRANSPARENCY   | ACCOUNTABILITY  | PARTICIPATION  | INNOVATION<br>AND<br>TECHNOLOGY |

## **SOME ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE CO-CREATION PROCESS OF THE FIFTH PLAN**

- Formation of the Joint Roundtable by public institutions, civil society, and other stakeholders (citizens, civil society organizations, departmental and municipal governments, parliaments, academia, private sector, etc.).
- The approval of the Regulations to be implemented as a regulatory framework for the formation of the Multi-stakeholder Forum, in Paraguay the Open Government Executive Committee, formed on a voluntary basis by representatives of civil society organizations and public institutions, appointed by means of official letters and/or resolutions.
- Despite the short time for the co-creation of the Fifth Action Plan 2022-2024, articulation and coordination have been achieved, resulting in consensual commitments.
- The predisposition and political will of civil society organizations, as well as public institutions, make the elaboration of the Action Plan possible.

## **COMMITMENTS**

This Action Plan 2022-2024 includes 13 commitments structured as follows:

### **TRANSPARENCY AREA**

It implies the publicity of official acts and access to information by citizens. This value guarantees an essential right for the validity of a democratic regime.

### **ACCOUNTABILITY AREA**

The existence of rules, norms, and mechanisms for government actors to justify their actions, respond to criticism or requests, and accept responsibility for actions and omissions with respect to laws and commitments.

### **CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AREA**

Open Government promotes citizen participation and a culture of social dialogue and coexistence based on the creation of permanent collaborative spaces between the State and society.

### **TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION AREA**

Optimize the creation of new knowledge, the generation of ideas. And of course, also reach the application of those ideas in the solution of problems.

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## EXECUTIVE BRANCH

### Ministry of Information and Communication Technologies (MITIC)

#### 1. National Open Data Policy

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** December 2024

**Institution or actor responsible for implementation:** Ministry of Information and Communication Technologies - Open Government Directorate, MITIC.

**Brief description of the commitment**

Develop a National Open Data Policy to consolidate the opening of data in reusable formats, to improve levels of transparency, accountability, and access to public information.

**What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?**

The main problem is the lack of willingness of public institutions to share their data in open formats or the lack of knowledge about them. And this is largely due to the lack of a national open data policy and the lack of legal regulations to support it, which is why it is left to the goodwill of public institutions to share open data.

On the other hand, there are some institutions that already have their own institutional open data portals, where they open data, but in isolation, without linking them to the Government Open Data Catalog.

All this is since there is no mechanism to unify the efforts of the entire government in this area, with a view to satisfying the information needs of civil society.

Finally, it is worth mentioning that there are international indicators (rankings) that measure how countries are progressing in terms of open data openness in various categories, and Paraguay is no exception.

**What is the Commitment?**

The creation of a National Open Data Policy will allow for the integration of the open data agenda, an effort that will be more effective than opening data in isolated ways, through:

- 1) Draft Policy.
- 2) Legal Counsel's Review Opinion.
- 3) Drafted Policy Guidelines.
- 4) Draft Policy socialized via web.
- 5) Public Hearing Report.
- 6) Draft Policy with incorporated suggestions.
- 7) Feasibility Report on the incorporation of citizen suggestions.
- 8) Decree of the Executive and/or Declaration of Interest of the Branches of the State.
- 9) Report on training, workshops or campaigns carried out.
- 10) 2 (two) campaigns carried out through visual media on the MITIC platform.



### How will you contribute to solving the problem?

Include the citizen's vision to prioritize actions and incorporate institutional changes, working with the government and civil society organizations to understand how to move towards "openness by default".

As institutions incorporate the open data agenda, they will be incorporated in its entirety.

### Why is it relevant to OGP values?

This commitment will favor citizen access to more government information, as the national open data policy consolidates the process of opening government data in reusable formats.

This commitment will favor accountability, since the institutions will publish information on the management of the institution in relation to fundamental issues such as administrative, social, economic, financial, and others in open format.

With the creation of the National Open Data Policy, the proactive participation of citizens will be encouraged, since they will be able to request the respective institution to release data sets of their interest, in open format. And from the data, they will be able to elaborate projects, proposals and control the government's management.

### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | TRANSPARENCY, INTEGRITY, ACCOUNTABILITY, TECHNOLOGY, ANTI-CORRUPTION, AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING. PUBLIC SERVICES (HEALTH, EDUCATION, HOUSING, ETC.) |                       |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | ACCOUNTABILITY  | CITIZEN PARTICIPATION |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030   |  |
| Strategic Axis   | Transversal lines  |
| AXIS 4. POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING  | B- EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT<br>4.2. Modernizing Public Administration |
| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and Project  |  |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030   |  |
| SDG16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS<br>SDG17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS |  |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date                        | Start Date    | Final Date    |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Draft a National Open Data Policy.                     | December 2022 | February 2023 |
| Request review of the draft policy with Legal Counsel. | February 2023 | March 2023    |

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| Elaboration of the necessary guidelines for its implementation.                                       | February 2023  | April 2023    |
| Socialization of the draft Policy through MITIC platforms.  | February 2023  | May 2023      |
| Public hearings, at least 2, for the socialization of the Policy proposal, to gather recommendations. | February 2023  | May 2023      |
| Finalization of the policy proposal resulting from the citizen participation process.                 | June 2023      | August 2023   |
| Approval of the National Open Data Policy document.   | September 2023 | March 2024    |
| Sharing and implementation of the Policy  | March 2024     | December 2024 |

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| <b>Responsible for the commitment</b> | Ministry of Information and Communication Technologies (MITIC) - Open Government Directorate  |                                       |   |
| POC at the responsible institution    | <b>Laura Salinas</b><br>Director of Open Government, MITIC<br><a href="mailto:lsalinas@mitic.gov.py">lsalinas@mitic.gov.py</a><br>Tel.: (+59521) 217-9000 |                                       |   |
| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>        | <b>Government</b>   | <b>Civil Society</b>                  | <b>Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.)</b> |
|                                       | MITIC - ENIT - STP  | Organizations interested in open data | Citizenship   |
| <b>Period covered</b>                 | December 2022 to December 2024  |                                       |   |
| <b>Monitoring plan</b>                | Drafting of Milestone Progress Reports  |                                       |   |
| <b>Partial reporting date</b>         | May 2023  | <b>Date of final accountability</b>   | December 2024   |

**National Anticorruption Secretariat (SENAC)**

## 2.1 Presentation of the organic law creating SENIT

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** August 2023

**Institution or actor responsible for implementation:** National Anticorruption Secretariat (SENAC)

**Brief description of the commitment**

Submit a bill "Creating the National Secretariat for Integrity and Transparency (SENIT)" to the National Congress.

**What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?**

The National Anticorruption Secretariat (SENAC) was created by Executive Decree No. 10,144 of 2012, which was followed by another amending Decree that expanded the powers of this Secretariat.

According to the decrees, it is an institution under the Presidency of the Republic of Paraguay, responsible for developing, promoting and implementing public policies on transparency, integrity and anti-corruption, whose scope of application are those State Agencies and Entities (OEE) under the Executive Branch, as well as those institutions outside the Executive Branch that have signed an agreement with SENAC.

Likewise, SENAC is entrusted with coordinating and articulating all these measures with all sectors of society, in the understanding that the fight against corruption is approached in a systemic manner.

The lack of a legal norm creating SENAC and containing its powers and attributions generates a lack of involvement of the other OEEs and other sectors of society that are relevant in the fight against corruption to achieve better and sustainable results.

**What is the commitment?**

To present the bill that will have as its main purpose that the National Secretariat for Integrity and Transparency (SENIT) replaces the National Anticorruption Secretariat (SENAC) as the guiding institution responsible for elaborating, promoting and implementing public policies of transparency, integrity and the fight against corruption in the agencies of the Executive Branch, the central administration of the State, the entities of the decentralized public administration, public companies and joint ventures, and to corporations in which the State is a majority shareholder. The patrimony, assets, and financial resources, as well as the personnel of SENAC will belong to SENIT.

**How will you contribute to solving the problem?**

The projected regulations contemplate all the powers and functions in the fight against corruption, whether for prevention or management of complaints, the use of digital tools, as well as the need to coordinate policies with other government agencies and entities and the power to enter into cooperation agreements.

**Why is it relevant to OGP values?**

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Accountability is part of one of the schemes already addressed by SENAC within the framework of the fight against corruption and as a mechanism for citizen participation par excellence.

The bill establishes the following roles and powers of SENIT:

Promote awareness and citizen participation actions.

Promote prevention and compliance actions in the private sector.

### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | TRANSPARENCY, INTEGRITY, ACCOUNTABILITY, TECHNOLOGY, ANTI-CORRUPTION AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING. PUBLIC SERVICES (HEALTH, EDUCATION, HOUSING, ETC.) |                       |              |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | ACCOUNTABILITY   | CITIZEN PARTICIPATION | TRANSPARENCY |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030  |  |
| Strategic Axis  | Transversal lines  |
| AXIS 4. POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING   | B- EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT<br>4.2. Modernizing Public Administration |
| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and Project   |  |
| National Integrity, Transparency and Anticorruption Plan 2021-2025  |  |
| AXIS 1: PREVENTIVE CAPACITY OF THE STATE IN THE FACE OF ACTS OF CORRUPTION  |  |
| STRATEGY 2.7 - Consolidate the internal control system (MECIP) in each of the State Agencies and Entities.          |  |
| 72. Promote regulations that establish criteria of suitability and integrity to occupy positions of responsibility. |  |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030  |  |
| SDG16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS<br>SDG17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS                          |  |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date  | Start Date    | Final Date    |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Presentation of the draft bill by SENAC to the Presidency of the Republic. | December 2022 | February 2023 |

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| Submission to Congress of the bill by the Presidency of the Republic in accordance with its power of legislative initiative. Start of the open parliament procedure. |  | February 2023  | August 2023  |
| <b>Responsible party for the commitment</b>  | National Anticorruption Secretariat (SENAC)  |  |  |
| <b>Contact information at the responsible institution</b>  | <b>Giselle Minardi</b><br>General Director of Legal Counsel<br><a href="mailto:giselle.minardi@senac.gov.py">giselle.minardi@senac.gov.py</a> - <a href="mailto:secretariageneral@senac.gov.py">secretariageneral@senac.gov.py</a><br>Tel.: (+59521) 220-002 |  |  |
| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>   | <b>Central / Local Government</b>  | <b>Civil Society</b>                                     | <b>Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.)</b>  |
|  | National Integrity and Transparency Team (ENIT)  |  | Presidency of the Republic, by reason of the legislative initiative of the Executive Branch.<br>She is currently involved in the engagement. |
| <b>Period covered</b>  | December 2022 - August 2023  |  |  |
| <b>Monitoring plan</b>   | Generate a document of the processes followed for the drafting, discussion, and adjustments of the draft document of the law.<br>Preparation of progress reports.  |  |  |
| <b>Date of partial reporting / Progress report At 50%.</b>   | March 2023   | <b>Final Accountability Date / Progress Report 100%.</b> | August 2023  |

## 2.2 Preparation of the preliminary draft of the Law regulating lobbying activities (Lobby Law)

**Start date:** June 2023

**End date:** December 2023

**Institution or actor responsible for implementation:** National Anticorruption Secretariat (SENAC)

### **Brief description of the commitment**

Following the international recommendations regarding the alignment to legal standards related to the regulation of public integrity indicated in the National Integrity, Transparency and Anticorruption Plan (PNI 2021-2025), the need to work on the drafting of a bill to regulate lobbying activities was identified, for its official presentation to the Executive Branch.

### **What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?**

According to the International Standards for Lobbying Regulation report, the purpose of lobbying regulations is to ensure that there is transparency about the impact of lobbying on decision-making processes, as well as accountability for the policies and laws that are adopted. Lobbying regulation should seek to create a more level playing field, allowing all actors to participate in the decision-making process on an equal footing, and specific mechanisms need to be in place to prevent potential conflicts of interest from influencing the decision-making process. It is also important to note that regulation is only one of the elements that a strategy to ensure fair lobbying must include: compliance with any regulation, but also the willingness of all actors involved to behave ethically, will be crucial to foster an environment where lobbying and decisions on public affairs are carried out ethically and fairly.

Lobbying is a legitimate activity and an important aspect of the democratic process. There is a significant public interest in ensuring the transparency and integrity of lobbying, as well as diversity in participation and contribution to decision-making processes on public issues.

The standard is a pending matter for the Republic of Paraguay, which requires, in accordance with the vision of the National Integrity, Transparency and Anti-Corruption Plan (PNI 2021-2025), the implementation of a regulatory framework that covers this dimension within the framework of the promotion of public ethics in the country.

### **What is the Commitment?**

Draft bill regulating lobbying activities, for its official presentation to the Executive Branch.

### **How will you contribute to solving the problem?**

The proposal consists of drafting a bill to address the lack of regulation of lobbying activities in Paraguay, to promote compliance with the systemic anti-corruption agenda established in the National Integrity, Transparency and Anti-Corruption Plan, Axis 4 Framework for the Control of Public Procurement and the Internal Control and Risk Systems, Objective 4.7. Regulation of conflicts of interest and lobbying activities, Action 4.7.3.

### **Why is it relevant to OGP values?**

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The regulation aims precisely at defining principles, concepts and procedures that make the management of lobbying in Paraguay transparent.

The exercise of accountability is the central goal of the proposed regulation, with the incorporation of procedures and records of public access, which guarantees citizen control of the management of state employees in this area. The incorporation of clear rules will allow public servants to be governed by them and to document their activities to report them.

The incorporation of a regulation on lobbying will allow citizens to have direct access to the management of authorities and public servants in relation to lobbying activities carried out by interest groups with these actors, which will allow greater control by citizens as a way of safeguarding the public interest.

### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | TRANSPARENCY, INTEGRITY, ACCOUNTABILITY, TECHNOLOGY, ANTI-CORRUPTION, AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING. PUBLIC SERVICES (HEALTH, EDUCATION, HOUSING, ETC.) |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | TRANSPARENCY  |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030  |  |
| Strategic Axis  | Transversal lines  |
| AXIS 4. POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING   | B- EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT<br>4.2. Modernizing Public Administration |
| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and Project   |  |
| National Integrity, Transparency and Anticorruption Plan 2021-2025  |  |
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| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and Project   |  |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030  |  |
| SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS<br>SDG 17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS                        |  |

### Goals and/or major milestones

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| <b>Milestones with verifiable date</b>  | <b>Start Date</b> | <b>End Date</b> |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| Event before society that contributes to raising awareness on the regulation of lobbying as a way of promoting public ethics. | June 2023         | July 2023       |
| Preparation of a first outline or draft of the preliminary bill on lobbying regulation.                                       | June 2023         | July 2023       |
| Preparation of a public consultation to gather comments to adjust or complement the preliminary draft.                        | July 2023         | November 2023   |
| Consolidation and drafting of the final version of the preliminary draft of the lobbying regulation.                          | July 2023         | December 2023   |

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| <b>Responsible for the commitment</b>                      | National Anticorruption Secretariat (SENAC)  |  |  |
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| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>                             | Central / Local Government   | Civil Society  | Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.)           |
|  | Central Government   | Civil society organizations, citizens in general.        | State Institutions, Open Parliament, Committees of both Chambers |
| <b>Period covered</b>                                      | June 2023 - December 2023  |  |  |
| <b>Monitoring plan</b>                                     | Documents generated in the process   |  |  |
| <b>Date of partial reporting / Progress report At 50%.</b> | June 2023  | <b>Final Accountability Date / Progress Report 100%.</b> | December 2023  |



## 2.3 Integrity and Compliance Business Roundtable

**Start date:** April 2023

**End date:** December 2024

**Institution or actor responsible for implementation:** National Anticorruption Secretariat (SENAC)

### **Brief description of the commitment**

Promote the creation of a space for permanent public-private dialogue, formalized and structured, between associations, guilds and chambers of the private sector and State institutions to articulate actions and incentive mechanisms that stimulate the implementation of integrity and compliance policies in companies to promote the culture of integrity, the economy, confidence in the business climate, the attraction of investments and the country's image.

### **What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?**

Issues to be addressed by the "Integrity and Compliance Business Roundtable": in accordance with the diagnostic work and SENAC's vision of approach, the following issues may be addressed and structured:

- a) Awareness Programs: to highlight the importance of complying with regulations, how it affects the formal economy, how it affects the country.
- b) Training Programs: focused on compliance, the concept of compliance, the scope of compliance programs and support for sectors that do not have the resources to pay for this training. Suggested talks from the public sector coordinating resources with the private sector. Initiatives promoted by the private sector.
- c) Visibility of Leadership: leadership understood as the explicit commitment of public authorities and authorities and referents of the private sector to fight corruption and the adoption of good practices applicable to both sectors.
- d) Fixed space for dialogue and coordination: generate a space for dialogue on issues of common interest to jointly develop an agenda with public and private sector initiatives. Report on the achievements of the activities and the benefits of the space to stimulate adherence to the Roundtable.
- e) Whistleblowing Channels and Whistleblower Protection Program: efforts should be coordinated with external expert associations and even with international organizations for the proper handling of whistleblowing channels, avoiding leaks and the disclosure of whistleblowers' identities.
- f) Facilitation Instances: not in all cases the steps to follow in certain procedures to be carried out in the public sector are known, so it is suggested an instance that can guide the private sector, through talks indicating the exact processes to follow, thus avoiding the circle of bribery regardless of the sector where it is generated.
- g) Generate integrity incentive mechanisms: initiatives from seals, promotion of certifications, contest to promote good practices.

- h) Communicational impact (progress report): generate reports on the achievements of the Group seeking to promote the actors involved in the process, as a form of recognition and to encourage more sectors to adhere to integrity policies.

#### What is the Commitment?

The Integrity and Compliance Business Roundtable seeks to unite the particular initiatives of organizations and guilds that promote integrity policies from the private sector, to enhance their visibility, highlight them through joint agendas and the involvement of more actors; in the same line, it seeks to become a space for dialogue also with public sector actors, to motivate incentive mechanisms that promote the replicability of these policies in more actors in the private sector in order to expand the universe of actors.

#### How will you contribute to solving the problem?

The proposal consists of establishing a permanent and structured dialogue between the private sector and the State to jointly coordinate integrity and compliance agendas that will have a positive impact on the culture of integrity, the economy, confidence in the business climate, investment attraction and the country's image.

The articulation instance will allow the development of joint public-private agendas that, based on its mixed composition, will seek to force the effective execution of the planned activities for the benefit of the parties, thus promoting the development of a broad agenda of integrity with the private sector, coherent and uniform, as part of a state policy.

#### Why is it relevant to OGP values?

The basis of the relationship of the instance is developed in a public-private articulation space, which allows the legitimization of decision-making based on a governance system that promotes the participation of both private and public sector actors. Its operation seeks precisely to guarantee the participation of the actors involved in the framework of promoting co-governance to promote policies with a state vision that have an impact on the interest and quality of life of the affected stakeholders and the economy in general, in alignment with the vision established in the National Integrity, Transparency and Anticorruption Plan (PNI 2021-2025).

#### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | TRANSPARENCY, INTEGRITY, ACCOUNTABILITY, TECHNOLOGY, ANTI-CORRUPTION, AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING. PUBLIC SERVICES (HEALTH, EDUCATION, HOUSING, ETC.) |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | CITIZEN PARTICIPATION - TRANSPARENCY  |

#### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030 |                   |
| Strategic Axis                                     | Transversal lines |

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| AXIS 4. POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING  | B- EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT<br>4.2. Modernizing Public Administration |
| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and Project  |  |
| National Integrity, Transparency and Anticorruption Plan 2021-2025   |  |
| Axis 2 "Development of the Integrity System and Culture", Objective 2.2. "To develop integrity systems in the various spheres of society and the State".   |  |
| "The creation, promoted by ENIT, of a working group with the business sector to promote actions aimed at fostering corruption prevention initiatives, implementation of compliance policies and exchange of good practices in the private sector". |  |
| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and Project  |  |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030   |  |
| SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS<br>SDG 17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS   |  |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date  | Start Date  | Final Date    |
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| Request by guilds, associations, chambers, companies, and public institutions that interact with this sector to officially join the Business Roundtable on Integrity and Compliance.           | April 2023  | August 2023   |
| Formation of the Integrity and Compliance Business Roundtable with the official adhesion of guilds, associations, chambers, companies, and public institutions that interact with this sector. | August 2023 | December 2024 |
| Elaboration of work agenda   | April 2024  | December 2024 |

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| <b>Responsible for the commitment</b>                     | National Anticorruption Secretariat (SENAC)   |               |  |
| <b>Contact information at the responsible institution</b> | <b>Attorney Clara Susana Aquino</b><br>Director General of the General Directorate for Prevention and Transparency<br><a href="mailto:clara.aquino@senac.gov.py">clara.aquino@senac.gov.py</a> - <a href="mailto:secretariageneral@senac.gov.py">secretariageneral@senac.gov.py</a><br>Tel.: (+59521) 220-002 |               |  |
| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>                            | Central / Local Government  | Civil Society | Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.) |



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|  | Central Government                                       | 51 private sector guilds that expressed interest in forming the articulation space. | Institutions that make up the National Integrity and Transparency Team (ENIT), public institutions that interact with the private sector, unions, and companies. |
| <b>Period covered</b>                                      | December 2022 - December 2024                            |   |  |
| <b>Monitoring plan</b>                                     | Report and document according to progress and milestones |   |  |
| <b>Date of partial reporting / Progress report At 50%.</b> | April 2023   | <b>Final Accountability Date / Progress Report 100%.</b>                            | August 2023  |

### 3. Development of a publicly accessible red flags network to promote citizen control over public contracts

**Start date:** March 2023

**End date:** June 2024

**Institution or party responsible for implementation:** National Public Procurement Directorate (DNCP)

**Brief description of the commitment**

Red flags allow the detection of risk areas within the public procurement system by identifying, within the universe of procedures, those that show signs of anomalies that could be investigated to rule out the possibility of corruption.

**What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?**

The aim is to provide a solution to the problem of the lack of detection of irregularities that affect the integrity and quality of public contracting.

**What is the Commitment?**

It is to make available to the public new network flags on public procurement, which can be used for citizen monitoring, promoting transparency and integrity of procurement activities. Detect irregularities in bidding processes.

Empower citizens on the analysis of procurement data through the implemented red flags. Improve citizen perception through greater access to tools that make the purchasing process more transparent.

Create opportunities for citizen control of the public contracting system.

Comply with the right to information and encourage citizen involvement in the exercise of control.

**How will you contribute to solving the problem?**

Improve the detection of irregularities that affect the integrity and quality of public procurement, through greater citizen involvement in the monitoring of bids from the network flags developed by the DNCP.

**Why is it relevant to OGP values?**

Through the publication of visualization boards of the network flags in the Strategic Information System, located in the Public Procurement Portal.

Through the availability of network flags, with continuously updated data.

The DNCP will share the new tool through news on the Portal and in all the institution's social networks.

In addition, the Institutional Data Committee will be attentive to answer any citizen queries that may arise regarding the use and interpretation of the red flags.

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| THEMATIC AXES  | TRANSPARENCY, INTEGRITY, ACCOUNTABILITY, TECHNOLOGY, ANTI-CORRUPTION, AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING. PUBLIC SERVICES (HEALTH, EDUCATION, HOUSING, ETC.) |              |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY   | TRANSPARENCY |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030   |  |
| Strategic Axis   | Transversal lines  |
| AXIS 4. POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING  | B- EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT<br>4.2. Modernizing Public Administration |
| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and Project  |  |
| National Integrity, Transparency and Anticorruption Plan 2021-2025   |  |
| Axis 2: Risk Management  |  |
| Strategy 2.2 - Ensure integrity in public procurement and contracting<br>43. Promote the inclusion of a guiding principle on integrity and good faith in the legal framework for public procurement. |  |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030   |  |
| SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS<br>SDG 17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS   |  |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date                                      | Start Date   | Final Date    |
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| Identify and select possible red flags to be developed.              | March 2023   | May 2023      |
| Perform data analysis to design the flags.                           | May 2023     | August 2023   |
| Implement algorithms according to the new data and adjustments made. | August 2023  | October 2023  |
| Test the implemented algorithms                                      | October 2023 | December 2023 |
| Build the APIS call needed to have the data.                         | January 2024 | June 2024     |

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| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>                             | <b>Government</b>  | <b>Civil Society</b>                                       | <b>Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.)</b>  |
|  | Contracting Agencies and Entities<br>Public control entities | General public   | Potential bidders or suppliers. Multilateral organizations (Inter-American Development Bank, United Nations, Inter-American Government Procurement Network, Open Contracting Partnership, etc.). |
| <b>Period covered</b>                                      | March 2023 to June 2024                                      |  |  |
| <b>Monitoring plan</b>                                     | Progress reports   |  |  |
| <b>Date of partial reporting / Progress report At 50%.</b> | December 2023  | <b>Final Accountability Date / Progress Report At 100%</b> | June 2024  |

#### 4. Integration and Systematization of Financial Processes and Environmental Project Management.

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** December 2024

**Institution or stakeholder responsible for implementation:** Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development - MADES

**Brief description of the commitment**

Establish a technological tool that will integrate, systematize, and automate the main processes and data of the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development (MADES), facilitating data management and organization of the institution.

**What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?**

MADES does not have a system to integrate its financial and environmental project processes, which prevents it from making information available to all levels: political (for decision making), technical (for the correct implementation of environmental policies) and citizens in general to ensure that environmental governance aims to improve the quality of life. It is vital to note that, at the national level, there are no standards that determine the environmental information that should be recorded at each level of information, nor the mechanisms for transferring it from institution to institution.

**What is the Commitment?**

Implementation of a tool that will allow the integration of financial processes and environmental projects, which in turn will allow the generation of reports and consequently a better control of information and data security.

**How will you contribute to solving the problem?**

The implementation of a tool will allow the integration of financial processes and environmental projects, this in turn will allow the generation of reports, consequently a better control of the information and data security, finally that security will allow the association to other systems and technologies, being able to be interinstitutional.

**Why is it relevant to OGP values?**

The availability processes are extended to citizens in general, to date MADES has a high demand of requests for access to information, which will have more accurate and immediate answers.

The generation of reports from the system and the processes built for data uploading require program and project executors to submit data, which are uploaded into the system and made available to anyone who requires them.

The information generated from the system, will offer the citizen the possibility of knowing the execution of resources and of the fulfillment of MADES' functions, framed in the transparency processes in force such as compliance with laws 5189/2014 and 5282/2014.



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| THEMATIC AXES  | ENVIRONMENT (CLIMATE CHANGE, DEFORESTATION, ETC.) |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY    TRANSPARENCY         |

**Additional information**

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030                       |   |
| Strategic Axis   | Transversal lines   |
| AXIS 4. POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING                        | D- ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY<br>To protect and defend the environment and natural resources. |
| NDP 2030 Environmental Policy Program and Project                        |   |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030                             |   |
| ODS 13. CLIMATE ACTION<br>SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS |   |

**Goals and/or major milestones**

| Milestones with verifiable date   | Start Date    | Final Date    |
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| Preparatory actions:<br>Generation of General Objectives<br>Identification of initial processes for inclusion in the system<br>Generation of Specific Objectives<br>Call<br>Award | December 2022 | March 2023    |
| Launch, Data Upload, Verification, Live Output, Operational Support   | March 2023    | December 2024 |

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| <b>Responsible for the commitment</b>                     | Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development (MADES)  |
| <b>Contact information at the responsible institution</b> | <b>Amelia Ramirez</b><br>Transparency and Anticorruption Director<br>E-mail: <a href="mailto:amelia.ramirez@maDES.gov.py">amelia.ramirez@maDES.gov.py</a><br>Tel: (+595) 991166507 |



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| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>                            | Government  | Civil Society  | Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.) |
|   | Public institutions in the environmental area   | Organizations working on environmental issues          | WWF (to be confirmed)                                  |
| <b>Period covered</b>                                     | August 2022 - May 2023  |  |  |
| <b>Monitoring plan</b>                                    | The Project has a Steering and Management Committee, which was established to establish its schedule, execution, and operation. |  |  |
| <b>Partial reporting date / Progress report to I 50%.</b> | March 2023  | <b>Final reporting date / Progress Report at 100%.</b> | December 2024  |

## 5. Strengthening the National Statistical System of Paraguay

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** December 2024

**Institution or stakeholder responsible for implementation:** National Statistics Institute (INE)

### **Brief description of the commitment**

Strengthening the Administrative Records is one of the pillars that will help improve the quality of official statistical information in terms of relevance, timeliness, reliability, and accessibility.

### **What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?**

Insufficient national coverage or capacity to disaggregate some key statistical operations by territory.

### **What is the Commitment?**

To continue improving the Administrative Records (RR.AA) of births, deaths and migration.

Continue strengthening the population PRs at the subnational level, considering that they are registered in 263 municipalities/districts.

To have the National Statistical Development Strategy (NSDS).

Emphasize the importance of investing technically in the current Administrative Records to improve their use for statistical purposes, and at the same time, develop missing records, due to the efficiency they provide in terms of timeliness of information with enormous savings in the cost of each unit of information.

Address, with the regulation of the new Law No. 6670/2020, the coordination system of the National Statistical System (SISEN) and the continuous training program with the support of resources from institutions and international cooperation.

### **How will you contribute to solving the problem?**

Improve the management of the State by adding public value. At the same time, and as an immediate effect of these actions, the improvement of administrative records for statistical purposes will also be achieved.

Strengthen administrative records to improve the management of each institution and make evidence-based decisions - and not only to strengthen administrative records for statistical purposes. This will provide greater support for their implementation.

### **Why is it relevant to OGP values?**

Improve the quality of official statistical information in terms of relevance, timeliness, reliability, and accessibility.

With institutional strengthening, one of the objectives is to have disaggregated information at the Department level, for the use of official statistical information in public and private decision making.

Citizen participation in monitoring.

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Facilitate citizen participation by means of electronic networks using open data and the co-creation of public value.

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| AGA PRINCIPLES | ACCOUNTABILITY   | CITIZEN PARTICIPATION | TRANSPARENCY |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030 |  |
| Strategic Axis                                     | Transversal lines  |
| AXIS 4. POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING  | B- EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT<br>4.2. Modernizing Public Administration |
| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and project  |  |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030       |  |
| SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS    |  |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date   | Start Date    | End Date      |
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| Diagnosis of the current situation of the PR generated by the institution.                                    | December 2022 | December 2023 |
| Proposals for improvement actions for the use of the administrative registry for statistical purposes.        | December 2022 | December 2023 |
| Administrative Records Strengthening Plan, prepared for 10 municipalities                                     | December 2023 | December 2024 |
| Improvements within the framework of the strengthening of public relations, implemented in 10 municipalities. | January 2023  | December 2023 |
| 5 OEEs included in the documentation of their statistical records   | December 2023 | December 2024 |

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| <b>Responsible for the commitment</b> | National Statistics Institute (INE)<br>Oscar Salvador Barrios Leiva<br>Director of Statistical Planning and Coordination<br><a href="mailto:oscar.barrios@ine.gov.py">oscar.barrios@ine.gov.py</a> |
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| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>                          | Government                     | Civil Society  | Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.) |
|   | OEES Municipalities            | Open to interested parties                             |  |
| <b>Period covered</b>                                   | December 2022 to December 2024 |  |  |
| <b>Monitoring plan</b>                                  | Progress reports               |  |  |
| <b>Partial reporting date / Progress report at 50%.</b> | December 2023                  | <b>Final reporting date / Progress Report at 100%.</b> | December 2024  |

## 6. National Care Policy

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** December 2024

**Institution or actor responsible for implementation:**

### **Brief description of the commitment**

The Care Policy is key to guarantee the full exercise of the rights of people with some level of dependency or care needs. Also, to develop a dynamic of strengthening capabilities, freedoms, and opportunities from early childhood, consolidating the affective, social, physical and cognitive skills required for the development of boys and girls.

Likewise, it is essential to cement a culture of respect, inclusion and dignity, protecting the autonomy and well-being of people and their contribution to society throughout the life cycle and in the face of various contingencies, and to consolidate care guarantees with an increasing presence of the State and less dependence on family responses in this area would allow progress to be made in the greater availability of time and better conditions for people, especially women, who today assume the full burden of care.

### **What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?**

In short, the discussion on care has led to placing it as a public policy problem to which the States must respond and to which the country has joined since 2016, which began to install the issue on the public agenda and became official in 2019 through Decree No. 1,783/2019 *"Whereby the Inter-Institutional Driving Group for the Development of Care Policy in Paraguay (GIPC) is recognized, as the technical body responsible for formulating the National Care Policy"*.

Care refers to an indispensable dimension of human existence and therefore affects all people at some point in their lives without distinction. At the same time, it is highly probable that a significant part of the population must assume responsibilities associated with its provision, especially if they are women in the roles of daughters, mothers, wives, and grandmothers.

An important part of the problem of providing quality welfare and social protection to the members of a society lies in an adequate distribution of these responsibilities among its different members. The solution to this problem of care distribution has taken different forms depending on the historical, social, cultural, and economic moment. Although these factors have determined that different social actors have participated in the distribution of the social responsibility for care, such as the State, the market, families or community forms, a significant part of this burden has fallen and continues to fall on families, which is to say, in most cases, on the women in the families.

### **What is the Commitment?**

The National Care Policy will guarantee the right of people in a situation of dependency to receive care under conditions of quality and equality, as well as paid and unpaid caregivers,

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within the framework of a model of co-responsibility between families, the State, the private sector, and the community.

### How will you contribute to solving the problem?

The solution to this problem of care distribution has taken different forms depending on the historical, social, cultural, and economic moment. Although these factors have determined that different social actors have participated in the distribution of the social responsibility for care, such as the State, the market, families or community forms, a significant part of this burden has fallen and continues to fall on families, which is equivalent to saying, in most cases, on the women in the families.

### Why is it relevant to OGP values?

Information on the construction and implementation process will be available on the website of the Ministry of Women's Affairs and the GIPC member institutions.

The budget allocated for construction and implementation will be disclosed in the annual public management report.

Civil society, organized groups, cooperatives, the private sector, political leaders, and the media, among others, participated in the construction process.

As provided for in the Bill, there will be a mechanism for citizen consultation.

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| THEMATIC AXES  | INCLUSION (VULNERABLE GROUPS, WOMEN, CHILDREN, ETC.) |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | CITIZEN PARTICIPATION    TRANSPARENCY                |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030   |  |
| Strategic Axis   | Transversal lines  |
| POVERTY REDUCTION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT   | EQUAL OPPORTUNITY<br>1.1. Achieving equitable social development |
| NDP 2030 Social Policy Program and Project   |  |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030   |  |
| ODS 5 GENDER EQUALITY<br>ODS 10 REDUCING INEQUALITIES<br>SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS |  |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date  | Start Date    | End Date      |
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| Working meetings in technical instances with institutions that are part of the GIPC. | December 2022 | December 2023 |
| Meetings of the authorities of the member institutions.                              | January 2023  | June 2023     |

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| Workshops and technical meetings with institutions that are part of the GIPC.                    | July 2023    | December 2023 |
| Working meetings with legislators and the committees responsible for drafting the bill.          | July 2023    | December 2023 |
| Incorporation of the actions in the Operational Plans of the institutions that make up the GIPC. | January 2024 | December 2024 |

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| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>                          | <b>Government</b>  | <b>Civil Society</b>   | <b>Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.)</b>  |
|   | GIPC member institutions   | Once the law is enacted, civil society is expected to be part of the Advisory Committee. | National Congress<br>Note: The Legislative Branch is currently studying the draft bill of Law creating the System National Care in Paraguay<br><a href="http://silpy.congreso.gov.py/expediente/125027">http://silpy.congreso.gov.py/expediente/125027</a> |
| <b>Period covered</b>                                   | December 2022 - December 2024  |  |  |
| <b>Monitoring Plan</b>                                  | The institution in charge of this policy will be responsible for requesting annual and/or as needed reports from the GIPC member institutions.   |  |  |
| <b>Partial reporting date / Progress report at 50%.</b> | June 2023  | <b>Final reporting date / Progress Report at 100%.</b>                                   | December 2024  |



## 7.1 System for the information and dissemination of services offered to Early Childhood, 0 to 8 years old, by the National Kunu'û Strategy

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** December 2024

**Institution or actor responsible for implementation:** Ministry of Children and Adolescents - MINNA

### **Brief description of the commitment**

Implement an information system with a greater reach to the population on access to all public services offered at the local level by the Kunu'u Strategy.

### **What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?**

The problem is that the information does not reach the expected population in a timely manner, especially mothers, fathers, and caregivers, about the services offered for early childhood for their comprehensive development, from 0 to 8 years old. Consequently, these public services offered by the Kunu'u National Early Childhood Strategy are not taken advantage of by the net population.

### **What is the Commitment?**

The National Early Childhood Strategy Kunu'u, has as a line of management the connection of basic services offered, several of them concatenated, by different institutions at the local level, which requires coordinated and adequate information and accompaniment. In other words, it requires easy and timely information at the local level. Access to information, still passive, is a necessity.

Publication agenda prepared, implemented, and consulted by the public.

Child Development Spaces (EDI), with their services and products made visible and consulted. The contents of the fundamental information on the services of the Kunu'u National Early Childhood Strategy are available and can be consulted.

Information on public services offered in the district and departmental territory is available on the Government Portal.

### **How will you contribute to solving the problem?**

Amplify the dissemination of information, considering the amount of information appropriate to the characteristics of the target population, prioritizing the services offered and bringing this population closer to the services offered by the Kunu'u National Early Childhood Strategy (prenatal checkups, institutionalized childbirth, registration in the Civil Registry and Child Development Spaces), ensuring the rights to comprehensive development in Early Childhood.

### **Why is it relevant to OGP values?**

To guarantee agile, effective, and timely information as a necessary condition for access to public services offered for the integral development of Early Childhood, 0 to 8 years old, at the local level, strengthening the communication strategy, measuring in a first stage, the level of access and consultations received.

### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | INCLUSION (VULNERABLE GROUPS, WOMEN, CHILDREN, ETC.) |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | TRANSPARENCY   |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030   |  |
| Strategic Axis   | Transversal lines  |
| AXIS 4. POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING  | B- EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT<br>4.2. Modernizing Public Administration |
| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and Project  |  |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030   |  |
| SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS<br>SDG 17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS |  |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date   | Start Date    | Final Date    |
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| Develop a publication schedule for organic growth of social networks.<br>Web <a href="https://www.kunuu.gov.py/">https://www.kunuu.gov.py/</a>  | December 2022 | March 2023    |
| To create a territorial communication model that makes Child Development Spaces, EDI, visible and positioned on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activities</li> <li>Parenting tips</li> <li>Care ideas</li> </ul> | December 2022 | December 2024 |
| Update the contents for socio-educational information and orientation on the Web Site on a permanent basis.   | December 2022 | December 2024 |
| Inclusion of the Kunu'u National Early Childhood Strategy in the Government Portal.   | December 2022 | April 2023    |

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| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>                          | <b>Government</b>  | <b>Civil Society</b>                                   | <b>Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.)</b>      |
|   | MSPBS; MEC; MDS; MJ; MJ; RC; MH; STP; UTGS; UGPR<br>Municipal and departmental governments<br>CODENI   | Civil society organizations involved in this issue     | World Bank Advisory Articulated Works donated by UNICEF<br>IIN-OAS |
| <b>Period covered</b>                                   | December 2022 - December 2024  |  |  |
| <b>Monitoring Plan</b>                                  | <p>Measuring citizen access to information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Preparation of the publication's agenda.</li> <li>2) Creation of a territorial communication model for the Child Development Spaces, EDI.</li> <li>3) Periodic updating of the contents of the Web Site.</li> <li>4) Inclusion of the Kunu'u Strategy in the Government Portal.</li> </ol> |  |  |
| <b>Partial reporting date / Progress report at 50%.</b> | August 2023  | <b>Final reporting date / Progress Report at 100%.</b> | August 2024  |

## 7.2 Mechanism for complaints and denunciations on alternative care for children and adolescents

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** December 2024

**Institution or actor responsible for implementation:** Ministry of Children and Adolescents - MINNA

General Directorate of Alternative Care

### **Brief description of the commitment**

Laws N° 6.486/2020 "On the promotion and protection of the right of children and adolescents to live in a family, regulating alternative care measures and adoption" and N° 6.881/2020 "Regulating the modality of alternative care for children and adolescents in residential educational entities and residences for educational purposes of private nature in the Western Region", articles 15 and 9 respectively, establish the installation of a mechanism for complaints, where children and adolescents, civil society organizations (CSO) and civil society itself, and State Agencies and Entities (OEE) may have access as a mechanism for the protection and fulfillment of the rights of children and adolescents in alternative care. This tool will allow not only to know the performance of public and private foster care entities, but also to act as a watchdog of the care of children and adolescents in alternative care.

### **What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?**

In this context, there is a lack of information on the part of citizens about which civil society organizations are authorized by MINNA, and what are the organizational and operational criteria to be legally working on this issue.

Likewise, the OEEs, CSOs and especially the actors of the System for the Promotion and Protection of Children and Adolescents (SIPPINA) need the participation and critical collaboration of the people to avoid these situations that weaken or put at risk the rights of children and adolescents.

This is essential to prevent decisions and actions that pose a risk to the integrity of children and adolescents.

### **What is the Commitment?**

Strengthen the complaints mechanism as a system for children and adolescents, public and private sector agencies, and civil society, who may file complaints or denunciations related to the operation of organizations that provide care to children and adolescents in alternative care.

That the complaints mechanism implemented guarantees the adequacy of public and private foster care entities to the legal regulations and, therefore, to comply with the requirements for the protection of children and adolescents in alternative care.

Arts. 15 and Art. 9, respectively, of Laws No. 6,486/2020 and No. 6,881/2020 on Alternative Care regulated.

System for access to information on formally registered civil society organizations (CSOs) and public organizations, installed and functioning.

Complaints channels available, monitored and with agile response.

#### How will you contribute to solving the problem?

This will allow better control of these organizations, for the fulfillment of all established rights. Also, the availability online of the updated list of civil society organizations (CSOs) that have complied in presenting the documentation and obtaining their registration to work on the issue of children and adolescents in alternative care, so that it is accessible for consultation by the public or any public or private sector institution wishing to verify this information.

#### Why is it relevant to OGP values?

The complaints and denunciations mechanism will improve the quality of life of children and adolescents in alternative care during the judicial process and will also allow organizations to legalize their legal status and comply with the standards established by law

#### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | INCLUSION (VULNERABLE GROUPS, WOMEN, CHILDREN, ETC.) |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | TRANSPARENCY AND ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION        |

#### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030   |  |
| Strategic Axis   | Transversal lines  |
| AXIS 4. POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING  | B- EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT<br>4.2. Modernizing Public Administration |
| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and Project  |  |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030   |  |
| SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS<br>SDG 17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS |  |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date  | Start Date    | End Date      |
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| Regulation of Arts. 15 and 9, respectively, of Laws No. 6486/20 and No. 6881/20 on Alternative Care / Working Protocols for the Alternative Care Approach / National Policy on Special Protection - PONAPROE.  | December 2022 | March 2023    |
| Develop a system for access to passive and active information on civil society organizations (CSOs) and formally registered public organizations responsible for children and adolescents in alternative care. | December 2022 | December 2024 |
| Strengthen existing channels for complaints.   | December 2022 | December 2024 |

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| <b>Responsible for the commitment</b> | <p>Ministry of Children and Adolescents (MINNA)</p> <p>Eduardo Escobar Said, Vice-Minister of Integral Rights Protection<br/>Vice-Ministry: <a href="mailto:vmpinna@minna.gov.py">vmpinna@minna.gov.py</a></p> <p>Nelson Gerardo Coronel Fernandez, General Director of Legal Counsel<br/>General Directorate of Legal Counsel: <a href="mailto:dgaj@minna.gov.py">dgaj@minna.gov.py</a></p> <p>Larissa Recalde Cousirat, General Director of Alternative Care (DICUIDA)<br/>General Directorate of Alternative Care: <a href="mailto:dicuida@minna.gov.py">dicuida@minna.gov.py</a></p> <p>Tel.: (+59521) 201661</p> |   |   |
| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>        | <p><b>Government</b></p> <p>MEC, MH, MADES, MSPBS, SENADIS, MITIC, MUVH, MDS, MINMUJER, SNJ, MTEES<br/>Governorships<br/>Municipalities</p>   | <p><b>Civil Society</b></p> <p>Civil society organizations dedicated to the issue of children and adolescents in alternative care</p> | <p><b>Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.)</b></p> <p>The three branches of government<br/>Private sector</p> |
| <b>Period covered</b>                 | December 2022 - December 2023   |   |   |
| <b>Monitoring Plan</b>                | By completed milestones:<br>Regulation of the application laws.   |   |   |

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|   | <p>System for access to passive and active information on registered civil society organizations (CSOs) and public organizations.</p> <p>Complaints channels: expansion, improvement, follow-up and agile response.</p> |  |               |
| <b>Partial reporting date / Progress report at 50%.</b> | June 2023   | <b>Final reporting date / Progress Report at 100%.</b> | December 2023 |

## LEGISLATIVE POWER

### OPEN PARLIAMENT

#### 8.1 Publish legislative information packages on the institutional website

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** December 2023

**Institution or actor responsible for implementation:** Senate

**Brief description of the commitment**

Facilitate access to public information through the publication of the Journal of Sessions Bulletin, the record of public hearings and the control board.

**What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?**

Information not very accessible and lack of knowledge of information users about the Journal of Sessions Bulletin, the record of public hearings and the control board.

**What is the Commitment?**

Improve the sharing of the Senate's activities in accordance with the public's interest and make it easier to access.

Dissemination and easy access to public information through the publication of the Bulletin of the Journal of Sessions, the record of public hearings and the control board.

Greater visualization and scope by users (legislators, officials, and citizens in general) on the availability of information in accessible format, on legislative management and reuse of information of interest to them.

To have an official record of information in an accessible format, so that citizens can more easily learn about legislative management, committee meetings and public hearings to reuse the information of interest to them.

Share and facilitate the use of the platforms among users (legislators, officials, and citizens).

**How will you contribute to solving the problem?**

Publication of shared reports on the web page. Improve the dissemination of the senate's actions and activities according to citizen interest.

**Why is it relevant to OGP values?**

The citizen will be able to access the information managed by the Upper House.

Citizens will be able to have more information about the performance of their representatives.

The citizen will be able to access and use the information according to their own interests.



### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | OPEN PARLIAMENT |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | TRANSPARENCY    |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - ODS 2030    |   |  |
| SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS |   |  |
| SDG 17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS       |   |  |
| Third Open Parliament Action Plan 2021-2023     |   |  |
| Pillar 1  | Goal  | Observation  |
| Transparency and Access to Public Information   | Facilitate access to public information through the publication of the Journal of Sessions Bulletin and the recording of public hearings. | Civil society proposal: Improve communication of management and legislative activity, communication between congress and the people (take advantage of communication systems). |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date   | Start Date    | End Date      |
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| Improve the presentation on the institutional web page of the daily bulletin of sessions in digital, audio and video format.  | December 2022 | December 2023 |
| Provide, in digital and printed format, the minutes of the meetings of the advisory committees and Public Hearings.   | December 2022 | December 2023 |
| To produce short informative clips to be shared via social networks, web page and Senate TV: on the use of the SILpy Legislative Information System, the Journal of Sessions and the Control Board. | December 2022 | December 2023 |

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| <b>Responsible for the commitment</b> | Honorable House of Senators:<br>Directorate General of the Journal of Conferences<br>Dr. Lilian Hidalgo, <a href="mailto:lpidalgo_73@hotmail.com">lpidalgo_73@hotmail.com</a><br><br>General Directorate of Legislative Digitalization, SILpy |
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| Supporting stakeholders                          | Government  | Civil Society                               | Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.) |
|  | MITIC - STP   | CIRD - Civilab                              |  |
| Period covered                                   | December 2022 to December 2024  |   |  |
| Monitoring Plan                                  | In accordance with the work schedule established in the 3rd Open Parliament Action Plan approved by HCS Resolution No. 2370/2021 and the Institutional Strategic Plan PEI 2022-2026 approved by Resolution 800/2021.  |   |  |
| Partial reporting date / Progress report at 50%. | In accordance with approved regulations   | Final reporting date / 100% Progress Report | In accordance with approved regulations                |

## 8.2 Make information available in Open Data format from HCS and HCD

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** December 2023

**Institution or stakeholder responsible for implementation:** Chamber of Senators

### Brief description of the commitment

Progressive opening of data according to the availability of data provided by the units responsible for information management (HCS: OAC, SILpy, Journal of Sessions and HCD).

### What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?

The low level of accessibility of legislative information in open data format and reusable open data sets, given the growing interest of citizens in accessing legislative information, and the need to reuse information.

### What is the Commitment?

Provide data at the highest possible level of reusability.

Identify with citizens the legislative data of their interest (HCS: OAC, SILpy, Journal of Sessions and HCD: Administrative Secretariat).

Packages of legislative information available and accessible for reuse by citizens.

### How will you contribute to solving the problem?

The regular updating of information in open formats will contribute to improve the collaborative participation of civil society and install a culture of public transparency.

### Why is it relevant to OGP values?

By having the information available in an accessible format, citizens will be able to learn more easily about legislative management and reuse the information of interest to them.

Citizens will be able to have more information about the performance of their representatives.

### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | OPEN PARLIAMENT |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | TRANSPARENCY    |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030    |      |             |
| SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS |      |             |
| SDG 17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS       |      |             |
| Third Open Parliament Action Plan 2021-2023     |      |             |
| Pillar 1  | Goal | Observation |

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| Transparency and Access to Public Information | <p>1.7. Facilitate access to public information through the availability in Open Data format of the reports submitted pursuant to Law No. 5282/14.</p> <p>1.8. Facilitate access to public information through the availability in Open Data format of the conclusive documents of the Public Hearings (Resolution HCS No. 579/2014).</p> <p>1.10. Facilitate access to public information through the opening of data in open format.</p> | Civil Society Proposal: Make information available in open data format. |
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**Goals and/or major milestones**

| Milestones with verifiable date  | Start Date    | End Date      |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| To publish and keep updated on the institutional website the reports submitted pursuant to Law No. 5282/14.        | December 2022 | December 2023 |
| Publish and keep updated on the web page the conclusive documents of the Public Hearings.                          | December 2022 | December 2023 |
| To publish in the Legislative Information System (SILpy) the sense of the senators' roll call votes.               | December 2022 | December 2023 |
| Carry out citizen consultations to identify legislative information package needs and interests of web page users. | December 2022 | December 2023 |

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| <b>Responsible for the commitment</b> | <p>Honorable House of Senators (HCS):<br/>Directorate General of the Journal of Conferences<br/>Dr. Lilian Hidalgo, <a href="mailto:lhidalgo_73@hotmail.com">lhidalgo_73@hotmail.com</a></p> <p>General Directorate of Legislative Digitalization, SILpy<br/>Ana Silva, <a href="mailto:asilva@senado.gov.py">asilva@senado.gov.py</a></p> <p>General Directorate of Public Management Control<br/>Ruth Rodríguez, <a href="mailto:dgcgp@senado.gov.py">dgcgp@senado.gov.py</a></p> <p>General Directorate of Information Technology,<br/>José Ovelar, <a href="mailto:jovelar@senado.gov.py">jovelar@senado.gov.py</a></p> <p>Directorate General of Citizen Services and AIP (OAC)</p> |
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|  | Gabriela Cantero, <a href="mailto:informaciones@senado.gov.py">informaciones@senado.gov.py</a><br><br>Tel.: (+59521) 4145000<br><br>Honorable Chamber of Deputies (HCD):<br>Administrative Secretariat<br>Attorney Julio Cabrera, <a href="mailto:jccg.8023@gmail.com">jccg.8023@gmail.com</a> |   |  |
| Supporting stakeholders                          | Government   | Civil Society                                   | Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.) |
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| Period covered                                   | December 2022 to December 2024   |   |  |
| Monitoring Plan                                  | In accordance with the work schedule established in the 3rd Open Parliament Action Plan approved by HCS Resolution No. 2370/2021 and the Institutional Strategic Plan PEI 2022-2026 approved by Resolution 800/2021.   |   |  |
| Partial reporting date / Progress report at 50%. | In accordance with approved regulations  | Final reporting date / Progress Report at 100%. | In accordance with approved regulations                |

### 8.3 Facilitate citizen participation during the legislative process for the study of bills

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** December 2023

**Institution or actor responsible for implementation:** Senate

#### Brief description of the Commitment

Propose spaces for a better understanding of the role of citizens in the legislative process and their interaction in the spaces for citizen participation.

#### What is the problem that the Commitment seeks to address?

Lack of knowledge of the citizen's role of how to participate in legislative processes.

#### What is the Commitment?

Greater knowledge and participation of citizens in legislative processes.

#### How will you contribute to solving the problem?

Focusing training workshops and citizen participation spaces, training activities

#### Why is it relevant to OGP values?

Greater knowledge of the legislative process will require more information.

Citizens with greater knowledge of legislative processes and with greater advocacy.

### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | OPEN PARLIAMENT       |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | CITIZEN PARTICIPATION |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030    |  |  |
| SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS |  |  |
| SDG 17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS       |  |  |
| Third Open Parliament Action Plan 2021-2023     |  |  |
| Pillar 4  | Goal   | Observation  |
| Citizen Participation                           | 4.8. Facilitate citizen participation during the legislative process for the study of bills. | Civil society proposal: Broaden the invitation to civil society and establish more open debates, especially in the interior of the country, and establish mechanisms to accompany civil society. |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date   | Start Date    | End Date      |
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| Develop training workshops for local officials and students from different areas of the country. (Sensitization and socialization of the mechanisms of Citizen Participation with the Legislative Blocks and with the citizenship). | December 2022 | December 2023 |
| Encourage citizen participation through Public Hearings and Legislative Open Days.  | December 2022 | December 2023 |

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| <b>Party Responsible for the task</b> | Honorable House of Senators (HCS):<br>Directorate General of Citizen Services and AIP (OAC)<br>Gabriela Cantero, <a href="mailto:informaciones@senado.gov.py">informaciones@senado.gov.py</a><br><br>Tel.: (+59521) 4145000 |                      |   |
| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>        | <b>Government</b>   | <b>Civil Society</b> | <b>Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.)</b> |
|                                       | STP   |                      |   |
| <b>Period covered</b>                 | December 2022 to December 2023  |                      |   |

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| <b>Monitoring Plan</b>                                  | In accordance with the work schedule established in the 3rd Open Parliament Action Plan approved by HCS Resolution No. 2370/2021 and the Institutional Strategic Plan PEI 2022-2026 approved by Resolution 800/2021. |  |                      |
| <b>Partial reporting date / Progress report at 50%.</b> | As progress is made.   | <b>Final reporting date / Progress Report at 100%.</b> | As progress is made. |

**Supreme Court of Justice - Judicial Branch**

9. Strengthening of the Observatory of Judicial Cases and the transmission of corruption and other cases.

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** December 2024

**Institution or actor responsible for implementation:** Supreme Court of Justice (CSJ) - General Directorate of Planning and Development.

**Brief description of the Commitment**

The Observatory of Judicial Cases is an orderly service, with free access to judicial information whose search options include court decisions, regulations and court production, and the live transmission of cases concerning corruption and other emblematic cases, both available on the institutional website.

These are aspects that will be strengthened to encourage the monitoring of open proceedings related to corruption and other emblematic cases, promoting transparency in the development of the cases.

**What is the problem that the Commitment seeks to address?**

The functioning of public institutions is directly affected by acts of corruption, public confidence is reduced, and the image of the State is deteriorated, consequently, with the decrease in credibility, the capacity of judicial systems to guarantee the protection of human rights is weakened, negatively impacting the work and independence of judges, prosecutors, lawyers, and other legal professionals.

The administration of justice, exercised by the Judiciary, plays a decisive role in the development of society, therefore, it is of vital importance to strengthen the systems of transparency and access to information, being essential elements for management characterized by independence, inclusive, impartial, timely, ensuring the rights of people.

**What is the Commitment?**

The Observatory of Judicial Cases is an orderly service, with free access to judicial information whose search options include court decisions, regulations and court production, and the live transmission of cases concerning corruption and other emblematic cases, both available on the institutional website.

**How will you contribute to solving the problem?**

With the strengthening of the Observatory of Judicial Cases and the live transmission of corruption cases and other emblematic cases, transparency and access to information are promoted. The Judicial Branch involves the public in the development of the cases by making available to the public the digital platform - Institutional web page.

**Why is it relevant to OGP values?**



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Socialize the management of the Supreme Court of Justice in the fight against corruption, through the implementation of appropriate communication mechanisms that promote citizen participation, fostering the development of a transparent and democratic justice system.

The crucial role of civil society in the fight against corruption and impunity is irrefutable, as established in the National Constitution, the Inter-American Convention against Corruption approved by Law No. 977/1996; the United Nations Convention against Corruption, approved by Law No. 2,535/2005, the Code of Good Governance. Therefore, the legitimacy of the citizens who have decided to be the necessary counterweight to achieve a better control of the administration of justice in our country is indisputable.

### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | TRANSPARENCY, INTEGRITY, ACCOUNTABILITY, TECHNOLOGY, ANTI-CORRUPTION, AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING. PUBLIC SERVICES (HEALTH, EDUCATION, HOUSING, ETC.) |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | ACCOUNTABILITY<br>CITIZEN PARTICIPATION<br>TRANSPARENCY   |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030   |  |
| Strategic Axis   | Transversal lines  |
| AXIS 4. POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING  | B- EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT<br>4.2. Modernizing Public Administration |
| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and Project  |  |
| Within the framework of the Institutional Strategic Plan 2021-2025, in its Line of Action LA. Establish an Internal and External Communication System of the Judicial Branch and a Plan to improve the institutional image and the provision of services", which is included in Strategic Objective 1 SO1 "Improve the provision of justice services". |  |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030   |  |
| SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS<br>SDG 17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS   |  |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date                              | Start Date    | End Date  |
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| Participative diagnosis of the Observatory of Judicial Cases | December 2022 | June 2023 |

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| Regulation of the Office of the Observatory of Judicial Cases              | June 2023     | December 2023 |
| Strengthening of the digital platform of the Observatory of Judicial Cases | December 2022 | December 2024 |

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| <b>Responsible for the commitment</b>                     | Supreme Court of Justice<br>General Directorate of Planning and Development.  |  |  |
| <b>Contact information at the responsible institution</b> | <b>Econ. Alberto Martínez Franco</b> , General Manager<br>General Directorate of Planning and Development<br>E-mail: planificacion@pj.gov.py<br>Tel.: (+59521) 4394000 Intern: 3371 |  |  |
| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>                            | Central / Local Government  | Civil Society  | Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.) |
|   | Judiciary   | Users and operators of justice, citizens               |  |
| <b>Period covered</b>                                     | December 2022 - December 2024   |  |  |
| <b>Monitoring plan</b>                                    | According to the progress of the milestones through report  |  |  |
| <b>Partial reporting date / Progress report at 50%.</b>   | June 2023   | <b>Final reporting date / Progress Report at 100%.</b> | December 2024  |

## EXTRA-POWERFUL BODIES

**Office of the Comptroller General of the Republic (CGR)**

## 10. Citizen participation for citizen control

**Start date:** December 2022**End date:** December 2024**Institution or actor responsible for implementation:** Office of the Comptroller General of the Republic (CGR).**Brief description of the Commitment**

Promote citizen participation for control, improve the quality of accountability, empowered and trained citizens in the social control of public management.

**What is the problem that the Commitment seeks to address?**

The absence or low level of citizen participation in the institutional processes of public administration generates processes that are not very transparent and with a high risk of corruption.

**What is the Commitment?**

Provide relevant information on the control processes of the CGR and how to influence public policies, training, and empowering citizens to demand better quality in accountability of public institutions, create channels that encourage citizen participation and above all in citizen control, through:

- 1) Develop a methodology to incorporate citizens in the processes of the General Audit Plan.
- 2) Citizen training in citizen control

**How will you contribute to solving the problem?**

More citizen participation, more transparent and less discretionary processes.

Quality citizen participation with empowered citizens with relevant input into the objectives, activities, processes, expenditures, and revenues of public institutions.

Constant promotion of citizen participation in important institutional processes and objectives.

Accountability for the management of public resources in a transparent manner.

**Why is it relevant to OGP values?**

Citizens must have a space for citizen participation and the promotion of this will generate alliances with external actors in the fight against institutional corruption.

Citizen control, transparency and citizen participation in all areas and processes of public administration generate interaction with control entities.

### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | TRANSPARENCY, INTEGRITY, ACCOUNTABILITY, TECHNOLOGY, ANTI-CORRUPTION AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING. PUBLIC SERVICES (HEALTH, EDUCATION, HOUSING, ETC.) |                       |              |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | ACCOUNTABILITY   | CITIZEN PARTICIPATION | TRANSPARENCY |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030  |  |
| Strategic Axis  | Transversal lines  |
| AXIS 4. POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING   | B- EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT<br>4.2. Modernizing Public Administration |
| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and Project   |  |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030  |  |
| SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS<br>SDG 17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS |  |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date   | Start Date    | Final Date    |
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| Develop a methodology to incorporate citizens in the processes of the General Audit Plan. | December 2022 | December 2023 |
| Citizen training in citizen control.  | December 2023 | December 2024 |

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| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>                            | Government   | Civil Society                       | Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.) |
|   |  | Open                                | Guilds and Academia                                    |
| <b>Period covered</b>                                     | December 2022 to December 2024   |                                     |  |
| <b>Monitoring plan</b>                                    | Through periodic reports, reports, minutes, and publications on the web portal.  |                                     |  |
| <b>Partial reporting date</b>                             | August 2023  | <b>Date of final accountability</b> | December 2023  |

**Center for Environmental and Social Studies (CEAMSO) - Government of Misiones**

**11. Transparency and citizen monitoring of school food at the local level.**

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** December 2023

**Institution or stakeholder responsible for implementation:** Governor's Office of the Department of Misiones - Center for Environmental and Social Studies (CEAMSO)

**Brief description of the Commitment**

Develop and implement a pilot project for transparency and citizen monitoring of the school food distribution process at the local level in a departmental governorate.

**What is the problem that the Commitment seeks to address?**

The use of the resources of the National Fund for Public Investment and Development (FONACIDE) delivered to local governments for the School Feeding Program of the Ministry of Education and Science (MEC) has meant a huge amount of resources, which, as is public knowledge, have been squandered in several local governments. The lack of citizen control through the school cooperatives (ACES) and of a transparent distribution system have made it possible to reach this state.

Likewise, it has been demonstrated that the absence of school meals in schools contributes to school dropout and limits children's learning.

**What is the Commitment?**

To develop a monitoring system for the school food distribution process in public schools, so that information is available at this level of detail. The idea is to have a pilot that can be scalable and can be extended to more schools and that the MEC takes ownership of this monitoring tool, strengthening the right of access to public information and interaction with citizens, through:

- 1) The creation and implementation of a platform that facilitates access to public information on FONACIDE resources, school lunch and snacks available.
- 2) The survey of the population benefited by FONACIDE of the Government of Misiones.
- 3) Preparation and sharing of the School Food Manual for school cooperatives.
- 4) Verification of the quality of the food received in accordance with the socialization of the Manual.

**How will you contribute to solving the problem?**

The availability, plus a complaint system and the monitoring work of the school cooperatives. Direct beneficiaries, children and cooperatives will be consulted and trained to better monitor the quality of the food they receive.

Scalability implies that it should be a nationwide project that can be appropriated by the MEC as the governing body of school food, from the central state.

### Why is it relevant to OGP values?

The commitment is relevant to OGP's values as it will strengthen transparency and access to public information and will generate greater opportunities for accountability and participation of School Commissions and ACES, generating interaction with the school community that will deepen the bond of quality of the food that children receive.

Platform with available information, through the appropriation of the Government and the permanent updating of information.

### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | TRANSPARENCY, INTEGRITY, ACCOUNTABILITY, TECHNOLOGY, ANTI-CORRUPTION, AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING. PUBLIC SERVICES (HEALTH, EDUCATION, HOUSING, ETC.) |                |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | TRANSPARENCY  | ACCOUNTABILITY |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030  |   |
| Strategic Axis  | Transversal lines   |
| POVERTY REDUCTION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT  | B- EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT<br>1.2. To provide quality social services |
| Programs and projects in social policies PND 2030   |   |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030  |   |
| END OF POVERTY<br>SDG 4. QUALITY EDUCATION<br>SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS |   |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date   | Start Date    | End Date      |
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| Software design meetings for the platform (4 meetings with Governor's Office, Aces and supervision)   | December 2022 | December 2023 |
| Control of the quantity of rations received by each of the 24 schools (verification of award documents, minutes of receipt of rations by the directors of each school). | December 2022 | April 2023    |
| Application and analysis of a survey to children on the delivery and quality of school meals (240 children surveyed from the population of 24 schools in Misiones).     | December 2022 | December 2023 |
| Socialization of information on the level of satisfaction (meetings with the Secretary of Education of the Governor's Office, ACES and Supervisors).                    | December 2022 | February 2023 |



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| Meetings with school cooperatives to design a school food manual. | December 2022 | February 2023 |
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| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>                            | <b>Government</b>  | <b>Civil Society</b>                               | <b>Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.)</b>  |
|   | Government of Misiones   | CEAMSO   | United Nations Development Program (UNDP), ACES, Parents' Association of the schools involved in Misiones, United Nations Development Program (UNDP), ACES, Parents' Association of the schools involved in Misiones |
| <b>Period covered</b>                                     | December 2022 to December 2023   |  |  |
| <b>Monitoring plan</b>                                    | Briefly describe the institutional mechanism that will be used to monitor the progress of the commitment and what other institutions or organizations will be involved.  |  |  |
| <b>Partial reporting date / Progress report at 50%.</b>   | April 2023   | <b>Final reporting date / 100% Progress Report</b> | December 2023  |

**Together for Education**

## 12. Monitoring and citizen participation

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** June 2024

**Institution or stakeholder responsible for implementation:** Together for Education (In Spanish "*Juntos por la Educación.*")

**Brief description of the commitment**

The Citizen Oversight is a process of participation for advocacy that seeks to generate changes and improvements in issues prioritized by the community that affect their daily lives.

This form of participation contributes to civic education, the strengthening of institutions and the consolidation of democracy, through access to data and information, monitoring, and the development of proposals and solutions to problems, allowing the creation of new relationships between the authorities and civil society organizations.

**What is the problem that the Commitment seeks to address?**

Some of the causes of the problem are bureaucracy for access to information, scarce political will for the construction and presentation of data, institutional weakness in the State's information systems, and scarce sustainability of public policies.

**What is the Commitment?**

Promote the development of a culture of citizen participation in public policies.

Together for Education, together with 22 civil society organizations and UNICEF, and the support of the European Union, have installed the Citizen Education Observatory (OEC), which was a Commitment of the Fourth PAGA 2018-20202, to contribute to public policies through the access and dissemination of relevant data and information, relevant and timely data and information on the quality, equity and scope of education policies at the national and territorial level, as a means for promoting dialogue, participation and decision making of the different actors in the education system and contributing to the collectivization of social understandings and actions in favor of the necessary transformations.

- 1) Improved communication and awareness strategies, with a communication and awareness plan implemented.
- 2) CSO and stakeholder networks consolidated and strengthened in their monitoring and advocacy capacities, with signed agreements.
- 3) Network of people involved and stakeholders operating in the mapped territories.

**How will you contribute to solving the problem?**

Guarantee of access to public data and information by public institutions through accountability and Open Data platforms, in an accessible (clear and understandable), timely, periodic, and consistent manner.

Public institutions and their authorities guarantee opportunities for participation in the formulation and execution of public policies.



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Develop plans and strategies for visibility, communication and citizen awareness for the mobilization and participation of civil society.

Public institutions and their authorities comply with citizen accountability processes.

Communities implement citizen oversight experiences in their territory.

Civil society promotes dialogues with community leaders, young people, and experts on relevant topics for the analysis of reality and its problems.

Systematize good practices, innovations, lessons learned on issues related to citizen participation processes.

These advocacy actions can influence decision-makers, transform power relations, and bring about changes that benefit the community. In addition, these participatory processes can raise self-esteem, promote respect for differences and overcome divisions.

### Why is it relevant to OGP values?

Promote compliance with citizen accountability processes, increase enforceability and citizen participation in the management of public policies, install follow-up and monitoring mechanisms for access to information and compliance with accountability systems. Promote and strengthen instances of dialogue and participation.

Through the generation of spaces for dialogue, training, and construction of proposals with the communities to address the challenges. Promotes the demand for data and information and increases accountability.

### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES  | TRANSPARENCY, INTEGRITY, ACCOUNTABILITY, TECHNOLOGY, ANTI-CORRUPTION, AND INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING. PUBLIC SERVICES (HEALTH, EDUCATION, HOUSING, ETC.) |                       |              |
| AGA PRINCIPLES | ACCOUNTABILITY  | CITIZEN PARTICIPATION | TRANSPARENCY |

### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030   |   |
| Strategic Axis   | Transversal lines   |
| POVERTY REDUCTION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT   | EQUAL OPPORTUNITY<br>1.1. To achieve equitable social development |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030   |   |
| SDG 4. QUALITY EDUCATION<br>SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS<br>SDG 17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS |   |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date | Start Date | End Date |
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| OEC's information technology platform, strengthened and adjusted to the needs of follow-up and monitoring of strategic educational programs defined at the territorial level. | December 2022 | June 2023     |
| Trained facilitators who can accompany oversight processes that promote citizens' commitment to participation for advocacy purposes.  | July 2023     | December 2023 |
| Organized CSO participation in education sector monitoring processes increased and with greater capacity to influence the agenda.   | January 2024  | June 2024     |

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| <b>Responsible for the commitment</b> | Observatorio Educativo Ciudadano - Together for Education<br>María Emilia Cañiza<br>Email: <a href="mailto:maria.caniza@juntos.org.py">maria.caniza@juntos.org.py</a><br>Tel.: (+595972) 586635 |   |  |
| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>        | Government  | Civil Society   | Other stakeholders (Parliaments, private sector, etc.) |
|                                       | MEC (currently with joint projects), National Congress, CGR, DNCP, Municipalities, etc. Governorships   | Organizations committed to public education and that manage citizen participation actions in different areas. |  |
| <b>Period covered</b>                 | December 2022 to June 2024  |   |  |
| <b>Monitoring plan</b>                | Through periodic reports, reports, minutes, and publications on the web.  |   |  |
| <b>Partial reporting date</b>         | June 2023   | <b>Date of final accountability</b>   | June 2024  |

### 13. Pathway for the diagnosis and care of Chagas disease

**Start date:** December 2022

**End date:** October 2023

**Institution or stakeholder responsible for implementation:** Fundación Centro de Información y Recursos para el Desarrollo (CIRD)

#### **Brief description of the commitment**

To increase the demand for health care services by the beneficiary communities, through the co-creation of an access route that aims to improve access to diagnosis of T.cruzi infection (Chagas) and other prevalent diseases in the districts of Teniente Irala Fernández and Campo Aceval, Department of Presidente Hayes.

#### **What is the problem that the engagement seeks to address?**

Chagas disease is one of the main public health problems in the region and in Paraguay. However, people affected by the infection or who have developed the disease are barely detected and, exceptionally, treated.

Official data from the Chagas Program in Paraguay estimate that 30% of the country's total population\* is currently exposed to the infection in endemic areas. It is estimated that there are more than 165,000 people suffering from the disease. The prevalence of infection in blood banks is 2.85% and the rate of congenital transmission is 5%. Considering these data according to the National Malaria Eradication Service (SENEPA), which is the public, regulatory and operational institution, with national coverage, responsible for the surveillance and control of vector-borne diseases, we can infer that in the intervention area, that is, in the municipalities of Teniente Irala Fernández and Campo Aceval, there is a probability of high risk of transmission.

Chagas disease is a disease that due to its long latency is not easy to diagnose at an early stage and when it is detected it is too late to try to fully cure the patient who will eventually develop heart disease or chagasic megacolon. It is a relevant public health problem, being a chronic, below the radar condition, which affects mostly socially and economically neglected populations.

The inhabitants of the districts mentioned above are potentially directly affected by Chagas disease, with the emphasis that Teniente Irala Fernandez is the district with the most indigenous communities in the country, 75% of the district's inhabitants are indigenous. Potentially indirectly affected are the country, the region, and the world, due to increasing social mobility.

The problem that this commitment seeks to address is the low demand for health care services. This commitment is part of a larger project that also works on supply strengthening components through laboratory refurbishment, equipment purchases, supplies, reagents, and training for health personnel.

### What is the Commitment?

This commitment proposes to co-create a pathway to comprehensive care for these diseases through participatory research processes that involve as many stakeholders as possible in the overall project.

We believe that providing timely information to the population is of utmost importance for there to be a demand for diagnosis and treatment of these diseases in intervention. Improved access to quality health services will increase the demand for commitment on the part of the population to adhere to timely processes for the improvement of their health.

Strategies to promote the participation of minorities and vulnerable groups in health interventions are articulated with central and local government agencies, reinforced by the project's actions with the community.

### How will you contribute to solving the problem?

The following steps will be taken to inform the inhabitants of both districts about the existing portfolio of services, as well as the operation of the health facilities:

- 1) Diagnosis of the current operation of the existing services network.
- 2) Identification and characterization of supply and demand support points along the access route (including linkages with community organizations, actors and resources that can strengthen and facilitate access to these services).
- 3) Plan of activities (referential) focused on improving the population's access to health services in the proposed route, with community participation, considering the capabilities of the health facilities that are part of the service route.

This commitment requires a constant exercise and an intentional involvement of the citizens of Teniente Irala Fernández and Campo Aceval.

The participatory research methodology provides openness of the project to the participants and regular feedback on progress.

In alliance with the public sector, informative meetings will be organized to present the progress of the commitment and the result.

Mass dissemination mechanisms will be used to communicate the progress of the project, such as press releases, social networks, etc.

### Why is it relevant to OGP values?

The commitment improves citizen participation in the definition, implementation and follow-up of solutions when involving communities and health services personnel, with the objective of providing advice and support for the participatory development of activity plans adjusted to the reality of each district for the subsequent implementation of the proposal for a roadmap to improve access to care for T. cruzi infection and other diseases.

### Principles for Open Government

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| THEMATIC AXES | INCLUSION (VULNERABLE GROUPS, WOMEN, CHILDREN, ETC.) |
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| AGA PRINCIPLES | TRANSPARENCY | CITIZEN PARTICIPATION | ACCOUNTABILITY |
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### Additional information

The proposed Commitment is linked to the following Plans:

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| National Development Plan Paraguay 2030 - PND 2030   |   |
| Strategic Axis   | Transversal lines   |
| POVERTY REDUCTION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT   | B- EFFICIENT AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC MANAGEMENT<br>1.2 Providing quality social services |
| NDP 2030 Institutional Policy Program and Project  |   |
| Sustainable Development Goal 2030 - SDG 2030   |   |
| SDG 3. HEALTH AND WELL-BEING<br>SDG 16. PEACE, JUSTICE, AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS<br>SDG 17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS |   |

### Goals and/or major milestones

| Milestones with verifiable date  | Start Date    | End Date      |
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| Meeting with representatives of the XV Health Region, the National Chagas Program, the National Directorate of Health of Indigenous Peoples (DINASAPI) and other agencies as needed. | December 2022 | February 2023 |
| Field visit to communities and health services to complete the diagnosis and preliminary proposal with the participation of representatives of organizations.                        | December 2022 | February 2023 |
| Design digital mapping of the interdistrict and community micro-network to facilitate understanding of the proposed route for improving access.                                      | December 2022 | March 2023    |
| Preparation of the program of activities based on the inputs, references and experiences obtained in the communities, from the institutions and organizations involved.              | March 2023    | October 2023  |
| Socialization of the program with community representatives, community health personnel, the Health Region and specialists.  |               |               |

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| <b>Supporting stakeholders</b>                            | <b>Central / Local Government</b>  | <b>Civil Society</b> | <b>Other stakeholders (Parliaments,</b> |



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|   |  |   | <b>private sector, etc.)</b>     |
|   | <p>Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare through:</p> <p>1 - The XV Sanitary Region.</p> <p>2 - The National Chagas Program.</p> <p>3 - The National Directorate for the Health of Indigenous Peoples (DINASAPI).</p> <p>Municipality of Teniente Irala Fernández.</p> <p>Municipality of Campo Aceval</p>  | <p>Teniente Irala Fernández Health Council.</p> <p>Aceval Field Health Council.</p> <p>National Council for the Health of Indigenous Peoples (CONASAPI)</p> | <p>Radio Aceval Poty 90.9 FM</p> |
| <b>Period covered</b>                                   | December 2022 to October 2023  |   |                                  |
| <b>Monitoring plan</b>                                  | <p>Virtual meetings - monthly with the different departments of the Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare, local governments and actors of the civil society and private sector, with the objective of carrying out:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Analysis of project execution and progress.</li> <li>2) Determine actions for improvement or reorientation, if necessary.</li> <li>3) Evaluation of budget execution in relation to implemented activities (triangulation of budget tracking, Gantt chart and risk mitigation).</li> </ol> |   |                                  |
| <b>Partial reporting date / Progress report at 50%.</b> | March 2023   | <b>Final reporting date / Progress Report at 100%.</b>  | October 2023                     |

## ACRONYMS

| ACRONYM (in Spanish) | Institution   |
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| AGPE                 | General Audit Office of the Executive Branch  |
| ANEAES               | National Agency for the Evaluation and Accreditation of Higher Education (Agencia Nacional de Evaluación y Acreditación de la Educación Superior) |
| CEAMSO               | Center for Environmental and Social Studies   |
| CGR                  | Office of the Comptroller General of the Republic   |
| CIRD                 | Development Information and Resource Center   |
| CIVILAB              | Civic and social organization   |
| CM                   | Council of the Judiciary  |
| CSJ                  | Supreme Court of Justice  |
| DNCP                 | National Directorate of Public Contracting  |
| CGR                  | Office of the Comptroller General of the Republic   |
| HCD                  | Honorable Chamber of House of Representatives   |
| HCS                  | Honorable Chamber of Senators   |
| INCOOP               | National Institute of Cooperativism   |
| JE                   | Together for Education  |
| JEM                  | Jury for the Impeachment of Magistrates   |
| MADES                | Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development   |
| MDS                  | Ministry of Social Development  |
| MEC                  | Ministry of Education and Science   |
| MINNA                | Ministry of Childhood and Adolescence   |
| MITIC                | Ministry of Information and Communication Technologies  |
| MJ                   | Ministry of Justice   |
| MINWOMAN             | Ministry of Women   |
| MSPBS                | Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare  |
| PA                   | Open Parliament   |
| UNDP                 | United Nations Development Programme  |
| SENAC                | National Anticorruption Secretariat   |
| SFP                  | Ministry of Public Administration   |
| SENATUR              | National Secretariat of Tourism   |
| SPL                  | Language Policy Secretariat   |
| STP                  | Technical Secretariat for Planning  |
| UAA                  | American University   |
| UNA                  | National University of Asunción   |

## READING MATERIALS:

Regulations of the Joint Board and the Executive Committee of Open Government Paraguay:

[http://gobiernoabierto.gov.py/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Reglamento-GA\\_CompressPdf.pdf](http://gobiernoabierto.gov.py/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Reglamento-GA_CompressPdf.pdf)

OGP participation and co-creation standards:

<https://www.opengovpartnership.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Esta%CC%81ndares-de-participacio%CC%81n-y-cocreacio%CC%81n.pdf>

OGP Country Manual. Rules and guidelines for participants:

<https://www.opengovpartnership.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Manual-de-OGP-parapai%CC%81ses-2022.pdf>

Invitation to Joint Open Government Roundtable Meeting

<https://www.stp.gov.py/v1/invitan-a-participar-de-la-mesa-conjunta-de-gobierno-abierto/>  
<https://www.stp.gov.py/v1/mesa-conjunta-de-gobierno-abierto-realizo-reunion-de-trabajo/>

<http://gobiernoabierto.gov.py/2021/11/05/mesa-conjunta-de-gobierno-abierto-realizo-reunion-de-trabajo/>  
[https://zoom.us/rec/share/a8I97\\_DEurDpBHpawZFKcVXMay3tDPc9Mhu9nouW6aDwQeMqCACjWNG1H1zHMIk9.vK9rXiiMBDWDV-0j](https://zoom.us/rec/share/a8I97_DEurDpBHpawZFKcVXMay3tDPc9Mhu9nouW6aDwQeMqCACjWNG1H1zHMIk9.vK9rXiiMBDWDV-0j) (Access code: %Raj1Y8%)

<https://www.opengovpartnership.org/es/documents/paraguay-cohort-shift-december-2021/>

<https://www.stp.gov.py/v1/invitan-a-participar-de-taller-virtual-sobre-gobierno-abierto/>

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[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4\\_Aa5zfI\\_FY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4_Aa5zfI_FY)

<https://www.cepal.org/es/eventos/webinar-gobierno-abierto-al-estado-abierto-paraguay-avances-desafios-cara-al-proceso>

<https://www.cepal.org/es/notas/funcionarios-publicos-representantes-la-sociedad-civil-paraguay-participan-taller-avances>

<https://www.stp.gov.py/v1/gobierno-abierto-realizo-primera-reunion-de-mesa-conjunta-de-2022/>



## Participants in the co-creation process of the Fifth PAGA 2022-2024

### Public Institutions

- 1) National Anticorruption Secretariat (SENAC)
- 2) Jury for the Impeachment of Magistrates
- 3) Supreme Court of Justice - Judicial Branch
- 4) Technical Secretariat for Economic and Social Development Planning (STP)
- 5) Paraguayan Institute of Indigenous People (INDI)
- 6) Ministry of Education and Science (MEC)
- 7) Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare (MSPBS)
- 8) Office of the Comptroller General of the Republic (CGR)
- 9) Legislative Branch - Open Parliament

### Civil society organizations

1. Center for Environmental and Social Studies (CEAMSO)
2. Information and Resource Center for Development Foundation (CIRD)
3. Civilab
4. Seeds for Democracy
5. Federation of Neighborhood Entities of Paraguay (FEDEM)
6. Living Consciousness
7. TEDIC
8. CISED
9. Tierraviva
10. WWF-Paraguay

### Academy

1. National University of Asunción
2. American University
3. Open Government Academic Network

### International organizations

1. United Nations Development Programme - UNDP
2. Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning - ILPES - Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean - ECLAC
3. Open Government Partnership - OGP - Open Government Partnership - Open Government Partnership - OGP