

Resolution of the Criteria & Standards Subcommittee regarding the participation status of the Republic of Albania in OGP

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The Criteria & Standards Subcommittee welcomes the Republic of Albania's participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP) and recognizes the 6 OGP action plans it has co-created to date, including its most recently submitted plan on April 5, 2023.

In September 2021, the government of Albania was placed under Procedural Review due to acting contrary to process for two consecutive action plan cycles (failure to meet minimum standards in its 2018-2020 action plan and again in its 2020-2022 action plan). Furthermore, the government of Albania did not deliver a new action plan by the December 31, 2022 deadline.

Considering that the government of Albania has now acted contrary to the OGP process for three consecutive action plan cycles, and in line with the fair and consistent approach to enforcing OGP requirements for all participating countries, the **Criteria & Standards Subcommittee hereby resolves to maintain the government of Albania under Procedural Review** until the IRM concludes that it has met the minimum requirements in the co-creation of its new OGP Action Plan, as assessed in the Action Plan Review report to be published within four months after submitting the plan. Not meeting the minimum requirements in this new action plan, or otherwise acting contrary to process, could result in a recommendation to the full SC to place Albania in inactive status.

The C&S Subcommittee remains committed to provide all necessary support to resolve this matter as soon as possible.

