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10 July 2023

Erik Slottner
Minister for Public Administration
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Dear Minister Slottner,

We welcome the Government of Sweden's participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP), which now comprises 76 countries and 106 local governments working to implement open government commitments to promote greater transparency, accountability and citizen engagement in policy-making.

As you are aware, all OGP participating governments are expected to regularly co-create action plans outlining a concrete set of open government reforms, in line with OGP Participation and Co-Creation standards.

To date, the Government of Sweden has acted contrary to process for three consecutive action plan cycles, and is currently under Procedural Review. Following the third instance, the Criteria & Standards Subcommittee resolved to maintain Sweden under Procedural Review until the Independent Reporting Mechanism (IRM) concludes that the minimum co-creation requirements have been met in Sweden's 2023-2025 OGP Action Plan. Previous correspondence is enclosed for your reference. In line with the resolution, not meeting the minimum requirements in this new action plan, or otherwise acting contrary to process, could result in being recommended for inactivity.

I regret to inform you that Sweden has acted contrary to process again by not meeting the minimum standards during the implementation of its 2019-2022 action plan, as conclusively determined by the IRM. However, considering that Sweden has already acted contrary to process during said cycle, inactivity *is not* being recommended at this moment.

The OGP Support Unit and Steering Committee stand firmly committed to assisting and supporting you in any way necessary during the implementation of this plan and to adhere to the minimum requirements in order to finalize this review process.

Yours sincerely,



Sanjay Pradhan
Chief Executive Officer



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

14 April 2023

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

In February 2021, the government of Sweden was placed under Procedural Review due to acting contrary to process for two consecutive action plan cycles (submission of a late action plan for the 2018-2020 cycle and failure to meet minimum standards in the 2019-2022 action plan). Furthermore, the government of Sweden did not deliver a new action plan by the December 31, 2022 deadline.

Considering that the government of Sweden 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 Sweden 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 Sweden in inactive status.

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



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February 1, 2023

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Dear Minister Slottner,

We welcome the Government of Sweden's participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP), which now comprises 76 countries and 106 local governments working to implement open government commitments to promote greater transparency, accountability and citizen engagement in policy-making.

As you are aware, all OGP participating governments are expected to co-create an Action Plan outlining a concrete set of open government reforms, in line with OGP Participation and Co-Creation standards.

Unfortunately, the OGP Support Unit did not receive a new action plan from the government of Sweden by the deadline of December 31, 2022. Therefore, Sweden has acted contrary to the OGP process for the 2022-2024 cycle. This is Sweden's third consecutive cycle acting contrary to process (following a late action plan for the 2018-2020 cycle and failing to meet minimum standards in the 2019-2022 action plan).

The Criteria & Standards (C&S) Subcommittee — the body in charge of upholding OGP's policies and procedures — will review Sweden's participation in OGP during their meeting in mid-February. Following the C&S Subcommittee's deliberations, you will be informed of their decision.

The Support Unit remains at your team's disposal to provide the necessary support to finalize and successfully deliver Sweden's OGP action plan in the planned period.

Yours sincerely,



Sanjay Pradhan
Chief Executive Officer



10 February 2021

Anders Ygeman
Minister for Energy and Digitization
Government of Sweden

Dear Minister Ygeman,

We welcome the Government of Sweden's participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP), which now comprises 78 countries working to implement open government commitments to promote greater transparency, accountability and citizen engagement in policy making.

As you are aware, all OGP participating governments are expected to co-create an Action Plan outlining a concrete set of open government reforms, in line with OGP Participation and Co-Creation standards.

For its 2019-2022 action plan, the Government of Sweden did not meet the OGP minimum requirement for public influence during co-creation - "Involve" - as assessed by the Independent Reporting Mechanism ("IRM") in their [report](#). Therefore, Sweden has acted contrary to the OGP process for that cycle.

Sweden has now acted contrary to the OGP process for two consecutive action plan cycles. A copy of the letter notifying the previous occurrence is enclosed for your records (late delivery of its 2018-2020 action plan). In line with [OGP policy](#), Sweden will be placed under review by the OGP Criteria & Standards Subcommittee (C&S). This review process involves enhanced support by the C&S, the OGP Support Unit and the OGP Steering Committee in order to help address the issues that have led to it being placed under review.

The review process can be finalized by addressing the most recent occurrence of acting contrary to process. In this case, by meeting the minimum co-creation standards in Sweden's 2022-2024 action plan, as assessed by the IRM in the Action Plan Review report.

The OGP Support Unit and Steering Committee stand ready to support you during the implementation of your current action plan and the development of your next one to make sure all requirements are met.

Yours sincerely,



Sanjay Pradhan
Chief Executive Officer

Enclosure



Ardalan Shekarabi
Minister for Public Administration
Government of Sweden

15 January 2019

Dear Minister Shekarabi,

We welcome the Government of Sweden's participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP), which now comprises 79 countries and 20 local governments working to implement open government commitments to promote greater transparency, accountability and citizen engagement in policy making.

As you are aware, the OGP Articles of Governance state that all participating governments are expected to co-create an action plan outlining a concrete set of open government reforms, in line with OGP Participation and Co-Creation standards. Governments that are more than four months late in submitting their action plan will be considered to have acted contrary to OGP process for that action plan cycle.

As of 1 January 2019, the Government of Sweden has not submitted its action plan, four months after the deadline of 31 August 2018, and therefore has acted contrary to OGP process. As a result, Sweden has been shifted from the "even year" to the "odd year" cohort of OGP participants, and considered to have started a new action plan cycle with a deadline of 31 August 2019 to submit its action plan. In order to avoid the possibility of future review by the Criteria and Standards Subcommittee of the OGP Steering Committee, we recommend that the Government of Sweden makes every effort to deliver its action plan by the established deadline.

The OGP Support Unit and Steering Committee stand ready to support you in whatever way would be useful. Please do not hesitate to contact the Support Unit if you require any assistance in the finalization of your action plan.

Yours sincerely,



Sanjay Pradhan
Chief Executive Officer
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