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Dear Ms. Panait,

We would like to extend our congratulations to the Government of Romania for the successful implementation of its 6th Action Plan and the completion of its 7th National Action Plan in the same year as the launch of its National Open Government Strategy.

While Romania's Multi-stakeholder Forum endorsed the national action plan on June 25, we acknowledge that the change of government following national elections, and especially the appointment of the government's new Secretary-General on June 27, has disrupted the plan's approval process at the ministerial level. Consequently, we note that your government did not send an action plan to the OGP Support Unit by the 30 June 2025 deadline, with the plan ultimately received on 31 July.

As you know, [OGP Participation and Co-Creation Standards](#) require all members to deliver an action plan within one year from the end date of its previous plan. The Articles of Governance do not provide the OGP Support Unit the mandate to provide any extensions on these. In accordance with these standards that apply to all members of the Partnership, the current rules mean that the Government of Romania has acted contrary to process for this cycle for missing the 30 June 2025 deadline.

At the same time we recognize that the rules on action plan submission deadlines, as currently framed, are difficult for members to comply with when faced with a sudden, unexpected disruption to the process that is outside of their control, as has been the case with Romania this cycle, and such situations merit more flexibility in the application of consequences for not meeting the rules. This matter is currently being reviewed within the framework of the upcoming updates to the Action Framework, and we will be in touch to update you on the outcomes of that process. In the meantime, we encourage you to continue striving to meet OGP standards going forward, and we stand ready to offer support as you do so.

