2016 OGP ASIA PACIFIC REGIONAL DIALOGUE

21 – 22 July 2016
ADB Headquarters, Manila

Background

The Open Government Partnership (OGP) is an international platform for domestic reformers committed to making their governments more open, accountable, and responsive to citizens. Since its launch in 2011, OGP has grown from 8 countries to 70 participating countries, with 12 from the Asia Pacific region having joined or expressed an interest to join. 2016 presents a good opportunity for the countries developing national action plans to lay the foundation for strong implementation in the next 2 years, share their experiences, and learn from each, and inform and inspire efforts of government and civil society reformers across the region.

The 2016 OGP Asia Pacific Regional Dialogue, hosted by the Asian Development Bank in partnership with the OGP Support Unit, the UNDP Bangkok Regional Hub, and IBM, is aimed at fostering collaboration and learning within the open government community in the region and supporting the network of government and civil society reformers using OGP to advance ambitious open government reforms.

Objectives

1. Create space for countries to share experiences and learn from each other: Through facilitated discussions and teamwork sessions, participants will have the opportunity to contribute their insights and learn about innovative practices in relevant open government topics.
2. Present and get feedback on the new National Action Plans: Give all countries that have produced action plans by June 2016, or that have drafts in place, an opportunity to present the most interesting new commitments and get feedback from their peers in government and civil society from their experiences of designing or implementing similar reforms.
3. Identify requests for support, tied to the Action Plans: Identify specific requests for country support and opportunities to improve assistance particularly through the Support Unit’s Country Support and peer exchange programs, OGP’s multilateral partners, and the OGP Working Groups.

Participants

Participants include government and/or civil society representatives from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Australia, Georgia, Indonesia, Mongolia, Nepal, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines, South Korea, Sri Lanka, and Thailand; representatives from OGP sub-national pilot programs in Tbilisi, Seoul, and Bojonegoro; multilateral supporters of OGP including the ADB, World Bank, and UNDP; and regional civil society networks.
# DAY 1, 21 July 2016 (Thursday)

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| 09:00 – 09:45 | Welcome and Opening                                | **Opening and welcome:**  
• Richard Bolt, Country Director, Philippines Country Office, Asian Development Bank (ADB)  
**Keynote addresses:**  
• Hon. Secretary Benjamin Diokno, Department of Budget and Management, Republic of the Philippines  
• Sanjay Pradhan, CEO, Open Government Partnership (OGP) |
| 09:45 – 10:45 | OGP in Asia Pacific – What have we learnt in 5 years? | **Session objectives:** To consolidate lessons learnt in the first 5 years of OGP and begin to identify priorities for the future  
**Session format:** Interactive panel discussion  
**Speakers:** Yanuar Nugroho, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of the President, Indonesia, and OGP Steering Committee Representative; Undral Gombodorj, Founder, DEMO Mongolia; Hanif Rahemtulla, Senior Operations Officer, World Bank; Malou Mangahas, Executive Director, Philippines Centre for Investigative Journalism; Sanjay Pradhan, CEO, OGP  
**Moderator:** Bart W. Édes, Director, Social Development, Governance, and Gender Division, Sustainable Development and Climate Change Department, ADB |
| 10:45 – 11:00 |                                                    | **Coffee/ Tea Break**                                                               |
| 11:00 – 11:45 | Country updates and introductions                  | **Session objectives:** To get an overview of status of present status OGP from country delegations  
**Session format:** Open plenary discussion with updates from country delegations  
• POCs present status of NAP development, one key thing they are doing differently for 2016-2018, or one big lesson learnt for new countries.  
• CSOs present status of regular ongoing dialogue with government and one key advocacy win achieved through OGP. |
| 11:45 – 13:00 | What’s in the new action plans?                    | **Session objectives:** To learn techniques for drafting strong commitments and obtain peer feedback on draft national action plans to strengthen commitments  
**Session format:** Separate break out sessions for government and civil society representatives, followed by discussion with country delegations  
**POCs:**  
• Discuss “star” content ideas in their action plan: What is the commitment? Why was it chosen? What policy problem it solves? What is the expected impact? How can it be expanded in subsequent action plans?  
• Share draft action plan or specific commitments they would like feedback on from peers, OGP SU/Independent Reporting Mechanism and multilateral partners  
**CSOs:**  
• Discuss status of ambitious commitments proposed for the Action Plan – any advocacy wins and how did they get them through?  
• Share draft action plan or specific commitments they would like feedback on from peers, OGP SU/IRM and multilateral partners  
• Type of support needed for drafting ambitious commitments  
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and identify 1-2 they would like to change or implement in their countries or where they would like support from OGP SU, Working Groups, or Multilateral partners

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| 14:30 – 16:00 | Implementation and monitoring       | **Session objectives:** To surface implementation challenges, identify solutions and share good practices on implementation and monitoring  
**Session format:** IRM presentation on state of implementation in the region and starred commitments from previous action plans, followed by break out discussions between POCs and CSOs  
- POCs and government representatives share how risks connected to implementation are assessed during the development phase, identify common reasons for implementation failure, identify solutions and areas where support is needed  
- CSO representatives discuss engagement strategies, opportunities, tools and effective approaches during the implementation and monitoring phases, including co-implementation of commitments  
- Country delegations re-group and share lessons learnt from breakout groups and identify 1-2 they would like to change or implement in their countries or where they would like support from OGP SU, Working Groups, or Multilateral partners |
| 16:00 – 16:15 | Coffee Break                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 16:15 – 17:15 | OGP journey goes sub-national      | **Session objectives:** To learn more about OGP’s sub-national pilot and open government reforms being implemented in pilot and other sub-national units in the region  
**Session format:** Conversation with sub-national leaders  
**Speakers:** Suyoto Ngartep Mustajab, Regent of Bojonegoro; Younghoon Choi, CIO, Seoul Metropolitan Government; Nina Katiskatsi, Deputy Mayor of Tbilisi; Czarina Medina-Guce, Executive Director of Union of Local Authorities in the Philippines; Gopakumar Thampi, The Asia Foundation Sri Lanka  
**Moderator:** Joe Powell, Deputy CEO, OGP Support Unit |
| 17:15 – 17:30 | Wrap up for the day                | Reflections from the room on Day 1 and expectations for Day 2                                                                                                                                                       |

**DAY 2, 22 July 2016 (Friday)**

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| 09:00 – 9:15  | Recap from Day 1                                  | ● Participants review previous day’s discussions  
● Run through of agenda for Day 2                                                                                                                                  |
| 9:15 – 10:30  | Open government for sustainable development        | **Session objectives:** To learn about projects that are using open government approaches to implement SDGs highlighting top initiatives submitted for the UNDP-OGP joint call mapping open government initiatives for implementing SDGs  
**Session format:** Presentations on OGP and SDGs, key findings from the joint call, presentations by top 3 initiatives selected  
**Speakers:** Joe Powell, OGP Support Unit; Undral Gombodorj, DEMO Mongolia; Amir Goraya, UNDP Pakistan; Ashim Pandey, Saferworld Nepal  
**Moderator:** Phil Matsheza, Regional Team Leader, Governance and Peacebuilding, UNDP BRH |
<p>| 10:30 – 10:45 | Coffee/ Tea Break                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |</p>
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<td>Deepening collaboration between government and civil society</td>
<td>To learn about good practices, tools and resources available for managing and designing multi-stakeholder forums, get updates on status government-civil society collaboration in different countries and identify ways to deepen collaboration</td>
<td>OGP Support Unit presentation on good practices on managing and designing multi-stakeholder forums for government-civil society engagement. Country delegations agree key actions to implement as takeaways.</td>
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<td>Thematic round tables (World Café style)</td>
<td>To learn about good practices, latest updates, and country examples on:</td>
<td>Breakout discussion groups with each theme hosted by 1-2 organizations working in the area. Hosts provide an assessment of current status of the theme within OGP, assessments of participating countries by expert organizations. Participants discuss the types of reforms they are implementing/planning to implement via action plans, challenges in each country and experiences of addressing these elsewhere; innovative projects being implemented outside the OGP platforms and any commitments on which they would like feedback on.</td>
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<td>OGP’s Strategic Refresh</td>
<td>To have an open dialogue with participants to inform OGP’s strategic refresh based on the experiences and aspirations of core stakeholders in the region and the opportunities and challenges they foresee for OGP in its next phase</td>
<td>Facilitated discussions in breakout groups with civil society and government</td>
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<td>Bridging the implementation gap</td>
<td>To identify ways in which different stakeholders can help address the implementation challenges that have surfaced through Day 1 and 2</td>
<td>Panel discussion. <strong>Speakers:</strong> Sanjay Pradhan, OGP; Rogier van de Brink, Lead Economist and Program Lead, World Bank (by video); Phil Matsheza, UNDP; Dinesha de Silva, Country Representative, The Asia Foundation Sri Lanka. <strong>Moderator:</strong> Warren Turner, Senior Public Management Specialist, ADB</td>
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<td>Comments: David Binns, Director, Office of Anticorruption and Integrity, ADB, OGP Support Unit. Reflections from participants.</td>
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