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OPEN GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP

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Key points:

- OGP Background.
- National Action Plans (content, public consultations, implementation modality and progress).
- Recommendations.



Open Government Partnership "Voluntary participation"

Objective:

To secure concrete commitments from governments to promote transparency, empower citizens, fight corruption, and harness new technologies to strengthen governance.

Membership Criteria:

To endorse OGP Declaration, deliver a country Action Plan developed with public consultation, and commit to independent reporting on the progress.



Jordan and OGP

- Membership: 2011
- Steering Committee: 2011
- First National Action Plan: 2012
- Second National Action Plan: 2014
- Third Action Plan: 2016



(1) Content

- First Action Plan (2012-2014)
 (Collection of existing commitments with IFIs and Donors)
- Second Action Plan (2014-2016)
 (Set of PAR commitments from the National Integrity Charter)
- Third Action Plan (2016-2018)
 (Collection of existing commitments under the National Comprehensive Human Rights Plan and other national plans)



(2) Public consultations

- First Action Plan: Minimum level of consultations.
- Second Action Plan: Indirect consultations.
- Third Action Plan: Direct and comprehensive consultations.
 - Expanded NGOs representation in the OGP SC.
 - Network of specialized and interested NGOs.
 - Questionnaire to for feedback on OGP.
 - Direct consultation workshops with NGOs.



(3) Implementation modality

- First Action Plan
 (Pure Government efforts)
- Second Action Plan
 (Pure Government efforts)
- Third Action Plan
 (Government + NGOs + Donors)

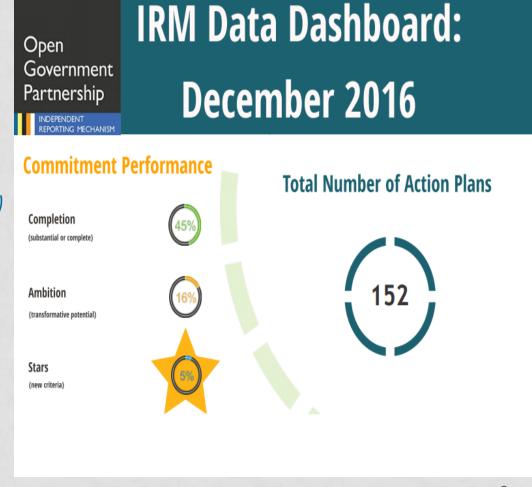


(4) Independent Reporting Mechanism (IRM)

First Action Plan
 (Unsatisfactory reports)

Second Action Plan
 (Moderate Satisfactory reports)

• Third Action Plan (....)





Recommendations

- OGP national policy.
- Coordination set-up.
- Implementation set-up.
- Role of NGOs.
- Awareness.

Thank you...

