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**WORKING TO STRENGTHEN DEMOCRACY AROUND THE
WORLD**

OPEN GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP 101

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Open Government Partnership (OGP)

- + International multi-stakeholder platform
- + Making governments/parliaments more open, accountable, and responsive to citizens
- + Co-creation by civil society and government/parliaments

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zThn8778sW4&app=desktop>

OGP IN NUMBERS



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Open
Government
Partnership



79

COUNTRIES

20

LOCAL

3000+

CIVIL SOCIETY

3,098

COMMITMENTS

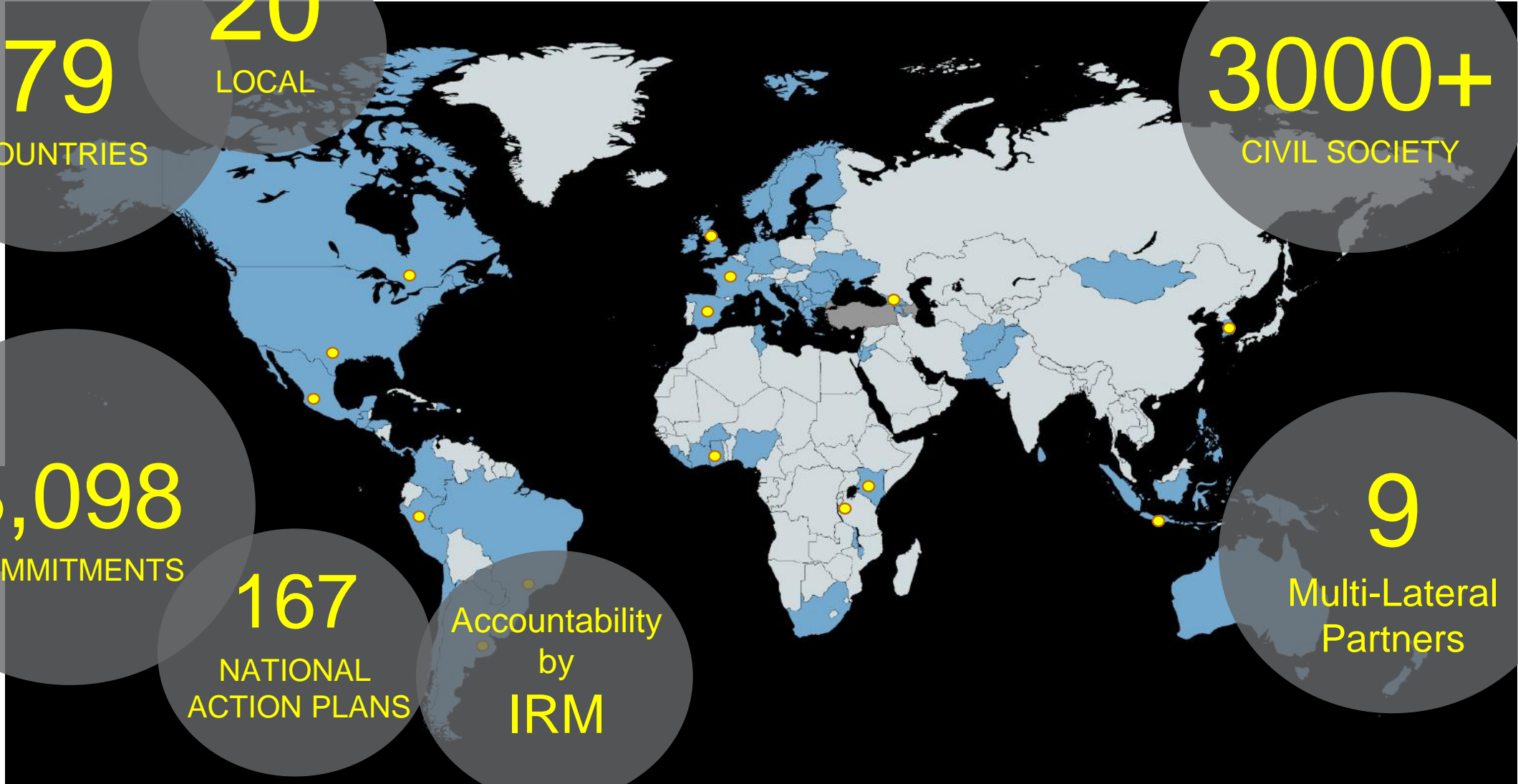
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NATIONAL
ACTION PLANS

Accountability
by
IRM

9

Multi-Lateral
Partners





A Unique Model



A New Approach to Multilateralism

- + Equal partnership between
govt. & civil society
- + Self-assessments /
Independent Reporting
- + Peer learning and
exchange



Action Oriented

- + Governments and
civil society co-create
action plans
- + Secure concrete
commitments
- + Whole of government
approach



Flexible but Ambitious

Countries have different
starting points but all
work to improve

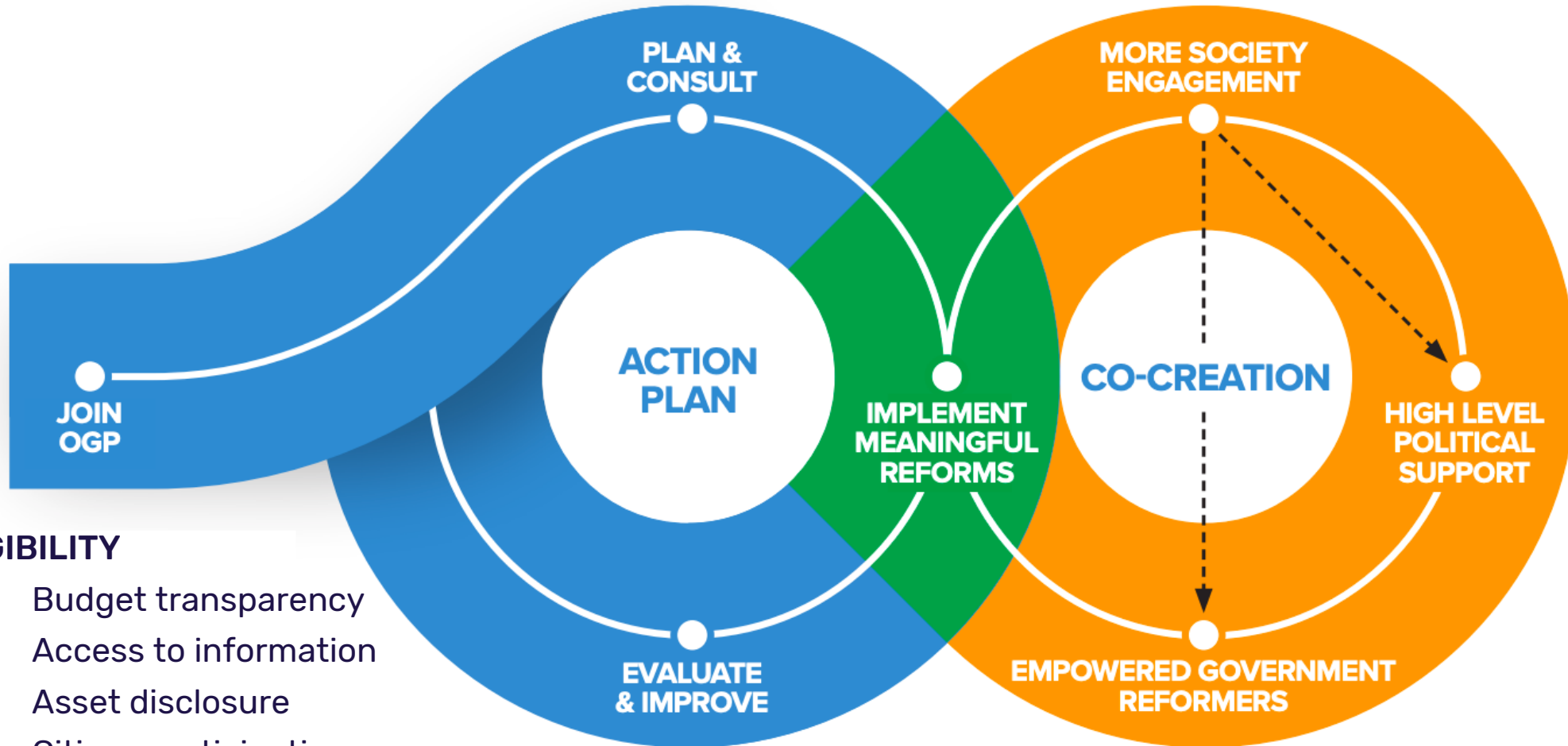
Work with diverse group
not just top performers

Race to the top

Participating in OGP



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- + **ELIGIBILITY**
 - + Budget transparency
 - + Access to information
 - + Asset disclosure
 - + Citizen participation



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CO-CREATION

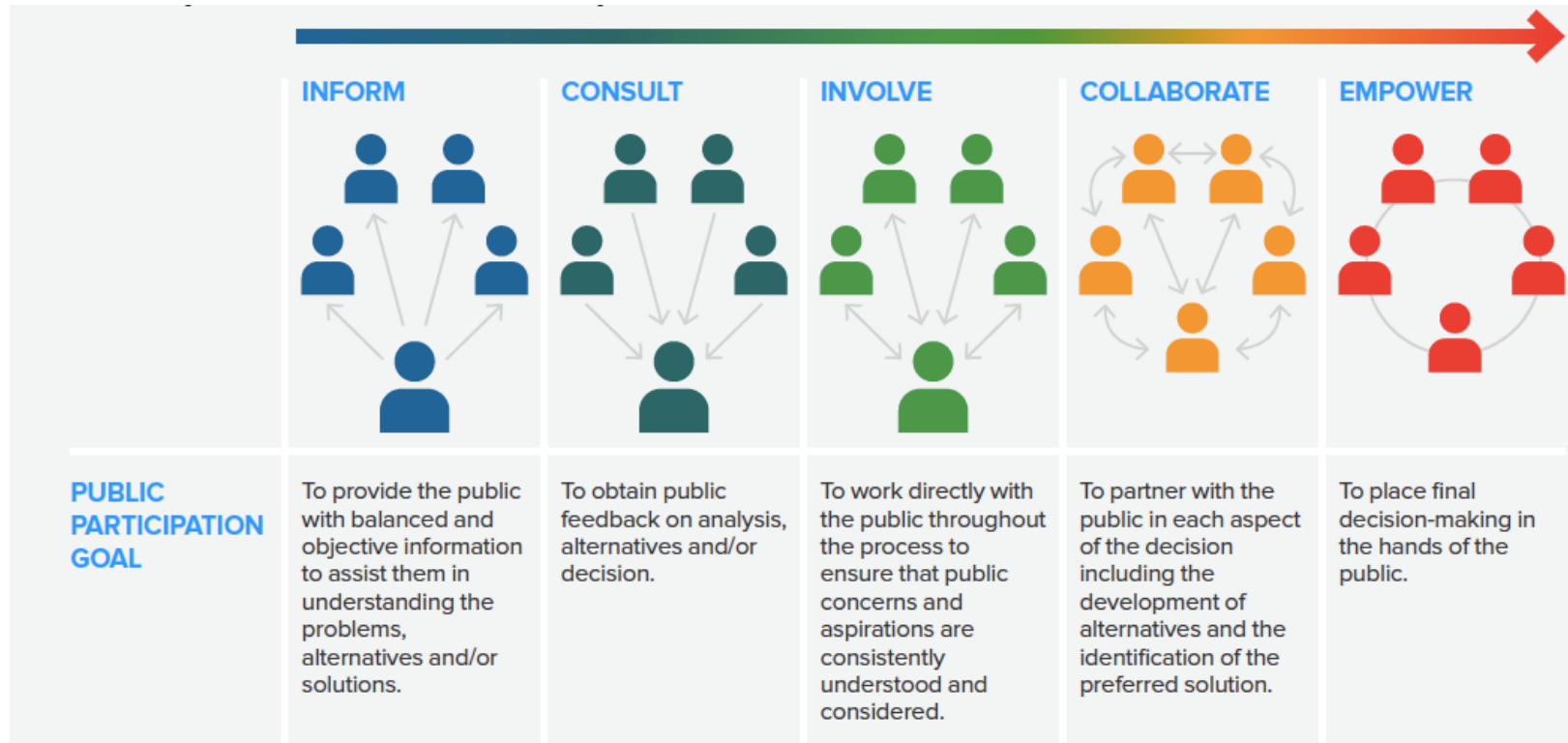


OGP Participation and Co-Creation Standards

- + **THROUGHOUT THE OGP CYCLE**
- + **WHEN DEVELOPING A NATIONAL ACTION PLAN**
- + **WHEN IMPLEMENTING, MONITORING AND REPORTING ON A NATIONAL ACTION PLAN**



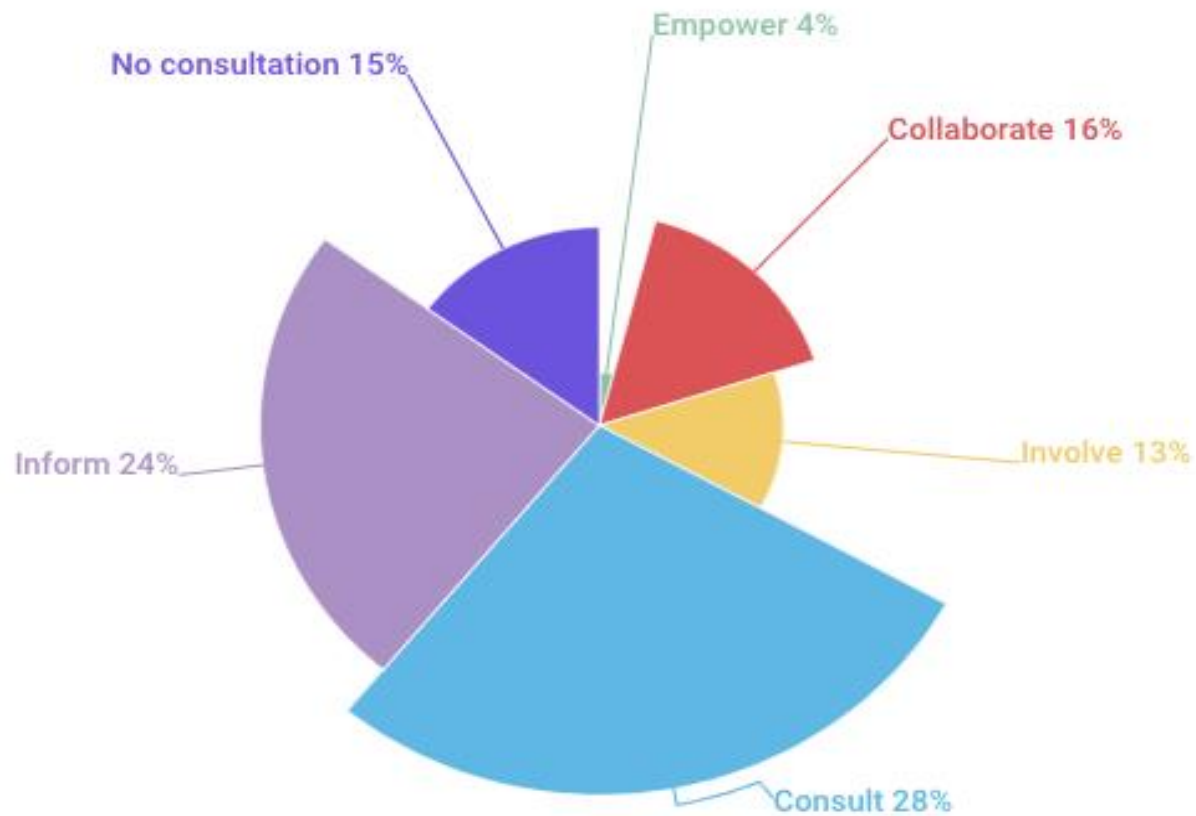
SPECTRUM OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION



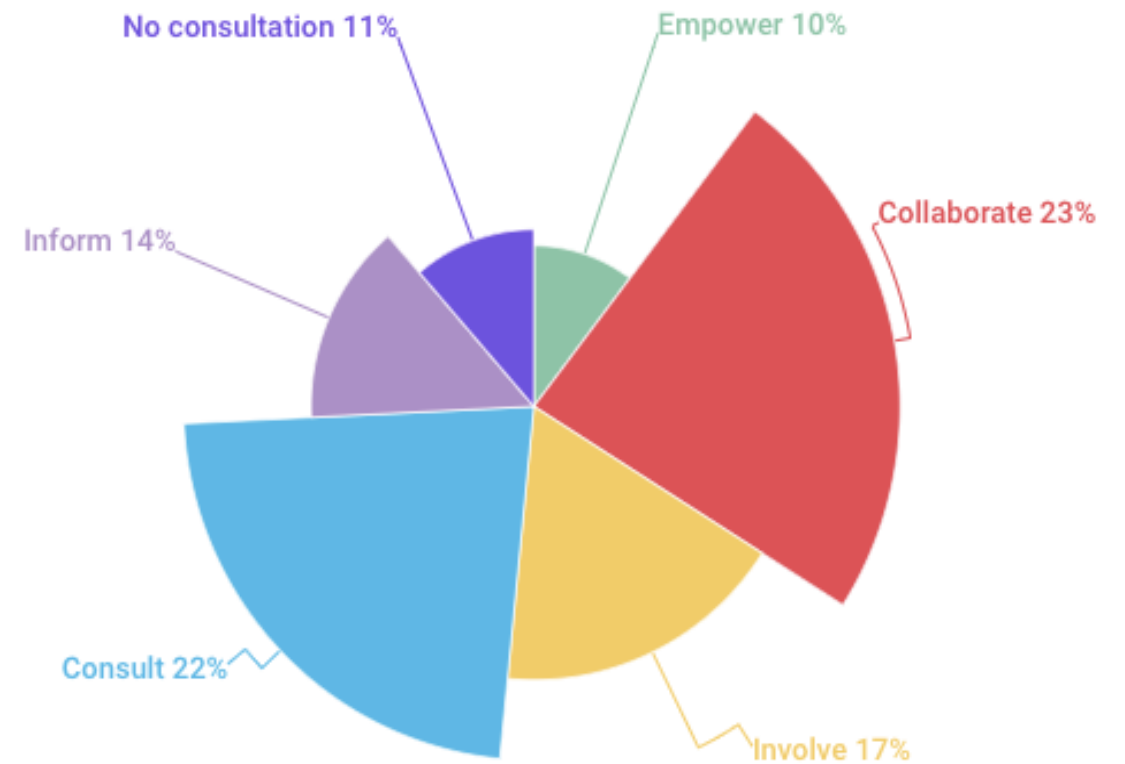


LEVELS OF CO-CREATION IN OGP

2016



2018



Principles for successful co-creation

- + Trust
- + Mutual conviction
- + Common objective
- + Joint decisions
- + Transversal leadership
- + Transparent communication

Roles and responsibilities

Parliament

- Bears ultimate responsibility for quality of co-creation process and implementation
- Maintains OGP website and record-keeping
- Coordinates with government

Civil society

- Reaching out to other civil society actors and representing broader interests
- Provides feedback on process and implementation of commitments
- Co-implements commitments



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INDEPENDENT REPORTING MECHANISM (IRM)

What is the IRM?

INDEPENDENT REPORTING MECHANISM TO HOLD OGP GOVERNMENTS/PARLIAMENTS TO ACCOUNT AND LEARN

- + Is formulation, implementation and monitoring of action plan collaborative and open?
- + Are action plans relevant, accountable and verifiable?
- + Are more ambitious actions getting done?
- + Research conducted by a local researcher.
- + Same researcher and timeline for government and parliament commitments



IRM researchers





IRM REPORTS

DESIGN REPORT

- + Process of action plan design
- + Commitments' contents

IMPLEMENTATION REPORT

- + At the conclusion of the National Action Plan cycle
- + Implementation over the two year cycle
- + Early results



Data collection methods

- + **DESK RESEARCH**
 - + Repository
 - + Reports of implementing agencies
 - + CSO reports
- + **INTERVIEWS WITH CIVIL SERVANTS, CSOS, EXPERTS, BENEFICIARIES**
- + **STAKEHOLDER FOCUS GROUP**
- + **SURVEYS**
- + **FIELD TEST**

Design reports

- + **CONTEXT**
- + **PROCESS AND CONSULTATION**
 - + Development of action plan
- + **DESIGN OF COMMITMENTS**
 - + What were the commitments?
 - + Where they ambitious?
- + **RECOMMENDATIONS**



Coding commitments: Design Report



Commitment Overview	Verifiability		OGP Value Relevance (as written)				Potential Impact				Completion				Did It Open Government?				
	Not specific enough to be verifiable	Specific enough to be verifiable	Access to Information	Civic Participation	Public Accountability	Technology & Innovation for Transparency & Accountability	None	Minor	Moderate	Transformative	Not Started	Limited	Substantial	Completed	Worsened	Did Not Change	Marginal	Major	Outstanding
1. Overall		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	Assessed at the end of action plan cycle.				Assessed at the end of action plan cycle.				



Design variables

Coding commitments: Implementation Report



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Implementation variables



Starred commitments

- + **VERIFIABLE**
- + **RELEVANCE TO OGP VALUES**
 - + Access to information
 - + Civic participation
 - + Public accountability
- + **POTENTIALLY TRANSFORMATIVE IMPACT**
- + **SUBSTANTIALLY OR FULLY COMPLETED**



Kyrgyzstan in OGP

- + Jointed in 2017
- + Anchored in the Prime Minister's Office.
Official Point of Contact: Ermek Nurbekov,
Head of Anti-Corruption Unit
- + Ministerial Representative: Vice Prime Minister
Altynai Omarbekova
- + Co-creation process (government) Jan – Oct
2018.
- + Submitted its first OGP Action Plan for 2018-
2020 in November 2018

