

Agenda "Western Balkans Regional Meeting"

October 15

10:00-11:20 "How to do the process right?"

Interactive session. The idea is to discuss what is done right and to look into possibilities for improvements in how the co-creation process is implemented in the countries in the region. Session will involve self-assessment exercise. It will be implemented by the IRM team.

14:00-15:00 "Regional cooperation and thematic progress"

Discussion to follow up on previous proposals around regional cooperation, to see what progress has been made or is planned in specific thematic areas and to identify needs for support from OGP and ReSPA. Session will be implemented by ReSPA and OGP Support Unit.

October 16

14:30-16:00 "Open Budgets, Open Contracting & Social Accountability: how to keep government open during the pandemic?"

Panel that would present some of the best examples we have seen so far in OGP member countries when it comes to the response to COVID-19. It will focus on 3 priority areas: open budgets, open contracting and social accountability (public service delivery). For each area there will be one speaker giving a bit broader overview and one speaker sharing concrete action examples, and there will be time dedicated for Q&A. This is very much relevant in terms as you progress with developing your new APs and hopefully can provide you with inspiration on possible commitments and approaches that could be used in your countries.

The panel will be moderated by Carolina Cornejo, Point of Contact in the Government of Argentina, who you've met in Buenos Aires. We are still waiting for all of the speakers at the panel to confirm, so we will send you a more detailed agenda for the panel as soon as possible. In the meantime, please do let members of your MSF know about it so that they can book the time and join us.

October 16

14:30-16:00 "Open Budgets, Open Contracting & Social Accountability: how to keep government open during the pandemic?"

Moderator: Carolina Cornejo, OGP POC Argentina

Fiscal openness:

- **Lorena Rivero del Paso**, Manager for Technical Collaboration and Cooperation, GIFT (Global Initiative for Fiscal Transparency)
- **Gustavo Merino**, General Directorate of Financial Administration Information Systems, Ministry of Economy, Argentina

Procurement:

- **Maricel Lonati**, OGP POC, City of Buenos Aires
- **Karolis Granickas**, Senior Program Manager, Open Contracting Partnership

Social accountability:

- **Jasmina Haynes**, CEO, Integrity action
- OGP POC, Uruguay (TBC)