

## PRIME MINISTER

## ORDER<sup>1</sup>

No. 145, date 20.12.2021

ON

## THE ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNCTIONING OF THE MULTIRATERAL COMMITTEE ON OPEN GOVERNANCE PARTNERSHIP

Pursuant to paragraph 3 of Article 102 of the Constitution and Article 11, Law No. 9000, dated 30.1.2003 "On the organization and functioning of the Council of Ministers",

## I HEREBY ORDER:

- 1. The establishment of the Multilateral Committee on Open Governance Partnership, following referred as the Multilateral Committee, in accordance with Open Governance Global Initiative standards (following referred as OGP Initiative).
- 2. Line ministers and central institutions shall take measures for implementation of National Plan for Open Governance, which is adopted by the Multilateral Committee every two years, in accordance with Open Governance Global Initiative standards.
- 3. The Multilateral Committee shall be co-chaired by the deputy Prime Minister, who is (in political level) National Coordinator for OGP Initiative, and from the representative of members of non-profit organization in the Multilateral Committee, who is determined by organizations' member themselves in Committee, and shall consist in members as follow:
  - Minister responsible for Europe and foreign affairs;

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- Minister responsible for internal affairs;
- Minister responsible for finance and economy;
- Minister responsible for justice;
- Minister responsible for standards and services;
- Minister responsible for entrepreneurship;
- Director of the technical structure for good governance and/or responsible for coordination of the work with institutions and OGP Initiative, who act as technical secretariat within the Prime Minister's Office;
- General Director of National Agency of Information Society;
- Executive Director of Agency for Civil Society Support;
- General Director of Agency for Dialogue and Co-governance;
- Representatives from the association of representatives from local governance;
- Member from Civil Society National Council, representative of civil society from democratization field, rule of law, human rights and European Union Integration;
- Member from Civil Society National Council, representative of civil society from economic development field;
- Member from Civil Society National Council, representative of civil society from territorial development field;
- Member from Civil Society National Council, representative of civil society from environmental development;
- Member from Civil Society National Council, representative of civil society from wellbeing field, social services, health protection and quality of life improvement.
- 4. The Multilateral Committee can organize open meetings with other guests. In Committee's open meetings are invited, accordingly, as follows:
  - Diplomatic representations from US Embassy, permanent guest;
  - USAID (and/or USATA) representative in accordance with meetings thematic;
  - European Union Delegation representative, permanent guest;
  - Development and integration partnership community representative, in accordance with meetings thematic;
  - Co-chair (representative of local government units) of Consultative Council between central and local governance;

- Business representative from National Economic Council;
- Chair of Rectors' Conference, in accordance with meetings thematic;
- Chair of Science Academy, in accordance with meeting thematic;
- General Director of INSTAT;
- Independent institutions representative, in accordance with meeting thematic.
- 5. The Multilateral Committee shall accomplish tasks and has responsibilities, as follows:
  - To examine and promote Open Governance National Plan implementation, as well to ensure institutions' orientation for implementation and reporting of its progress;
  - To encourage high level institutions' coordination, with the aim of orientating and leading of the work for policy implementation and measures for achieving open governance objectives;
  - To encourage dialogue and interaction within policy framework, pursuing open governance;
  - To examine evaluation reports of country's objectives achievement, prepared by the secretariat and to give recommendations for improvements;
  - To examine evaluation reports from country's open governance independent mechanism;
  - To recommend the necessary legal measures, as well as to orient organizational work for legal initiatives for achieving the objectives;
  - To promote planning for financing measures through mid-term budget programming, in cooperation with development partners, through integrated planning system (IPS);
  - To encourage the dialogue between Council of Ministers and independent institutions, local government organs, development partners, civil society, for measures' implementation, as well as to promote coordinated initiatives in this framework.
- 6. The Multilateral Committee shall meet at least three times in a year.
- 7. The Committee discusses thematic issues for encouraging and coordinating concrete initiatives, in support of open principles, transparency, inclusiveness and promotion of governance values.

- 8. Detailed regulations for organization and functioning of Multilateral Committee are provided in the internal regulation, which shall be adopted within the first work meeting of the Multilateral Committee.
- 9. The Multilateral Committee Secretariat for Open Governance Partnership is the technical structure, in the Prime Minister's Office, responsible for good governance and inter-institutional work coordination for OGP Initiative. The Committee Secretariat, in the technical support of development partners, shall accomplish the following tasks:
  - a) Ensures technical support for Multilateral Committee on Open Governance Partnership activity, as well as support in the co-doing process, in line with standards for OGP initiative participation;
  - b) Ensures discussion theme and meeting organizations, prepared in cooperation with ministries and other stakeholders, within the Committee;
  - c) Coordinates the technical process and methodical orientation of institutions in technical level, for preparing the Open Governance National Plan;
  - d) Coordinates technical process with responsible institutions for following the implementation and preparation of evaluation reports on the progress of Open Governance National Plan measures implementations from institutions responsible with them;
  - e) Ensures work coordination with institutions for drafting and technical examination of evaluation reports from country's open governance independent mechanism, and it presents to the Committee the necessary information with recommendations;
  - f) Coordinates the work for preparing of necessary legal initiatives, as well as of measures related to planning of financing within the mid-term budget programing;
  - g) Coordinates the work between the Committee, public institutions and development partners, as well as social partners and other interested stakeholders;
  - h) Ensures methodical and technical work lead, for preparing efficient technical instruments for achieving the National Plan engagements.
  - i) Performs every other task as charged by the Committee, in accordance with its responsibilities.

- 10. The Agency for Civil Society Support, within 7 days of entry onto force of this order, shall send to the Cabinet of the Deputy Prime Minister's, the names of civil society representatives, members of the Committee, pursuing point 3 of this order.
- 11. The National Agency of Information Society shall publish in open society portal, the information on Multilateral Committee activity, ensured by the secretariat.
- 12. Representatives of the Multilateral Committee and the secretariat shall be responsible for the implementation of this order.

This order will enter into force immediately.

PRIME MINISTER

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