

BELIZE NATIONAL OPEN GOVERNMENT ACTION PLAN DEVELOPMENT

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

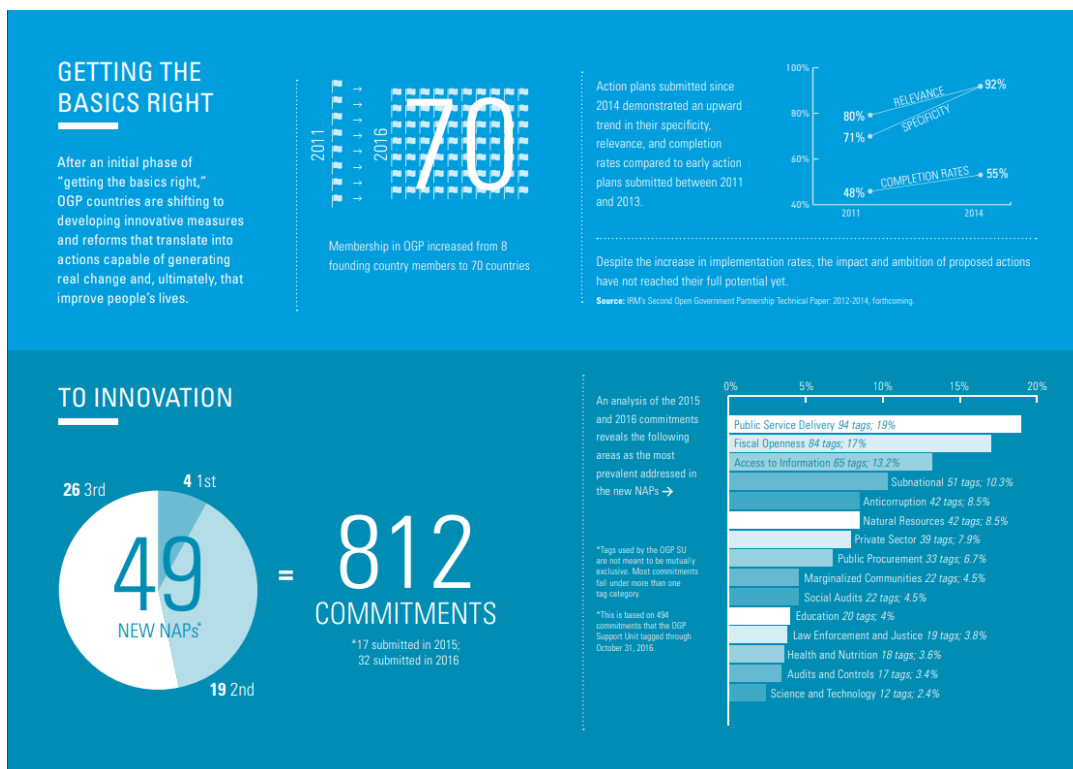
March 23 – 27, 2020

PROJECT: Transformation to an Open Public Administration in Belize

In advancing open government in Belize through a multi-stakeholder co-creation approach, the Trust for the Americas and the Organization of the American States (OAS), are supporting during 2020 the development of Belize's first open government action plan. The Action Plan is intended to serve as the instrument to orient the actions of all actors in Belize to accomplish certain commitments in different topics and sectors.

The co-creation process entails a participatory approach to identify areas of opportunity to utilize open government in pursuing new policies, improved government services, innovative transparency efforts, etc. At the end of the co-creation process and much public consultation, agreed areas of opportunities will become what are known as open government commitments within the action plan.

Currently, open government plans of action from around the world, as pre 79 OGP participating countries and 20 subnational governments have made over 3,100 commitments to make governments more open and accountable. The following is a snapshot of action plans up to 2016 according to the OGP:



In the case of Belize and with the support of the OAS/Trust project, the activities outline in this document seek to initiate the process of developing its action plan as a sustained process aimed to be completed in December of 2020. The result of these initial dialogues scheduled for March 2020 is intended to define the priority areas that will guide Belize's open government action plan. The events will be facilitated and accompanied by experts attending from Washington DC and other parts of the world.

These activities are possible thanks to the contribution of the US Embassy in Belmopan for the execution of the project "Transformation to an Open Public Administration in Belize".

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FIRST OPEN GOVERNMENT ROUNDTABLE: ACTIVITIES

MONDAY, March 23 – Belize City

- 9:00 RoundTable Opening and presentation of the Belize Open Government Steering Committee and its Members
- 10:30 Recess
- 11:00 Panel 1 (plenary)
- 12:00 Panel 2 (plenary)
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Group Roundtables (break-out sessions)
- 16:00 Recess
- 16:30 Open Dialogue and conclusions (plenary)
- 17:00 Closing

TUESDAY, March 24 – Belize City

- 9:00 Talk/Presentation
- 9:30 Group Roundtables (break-out sessions)
- 11:30 Recess
- 12:00 Talk/Presentation
- 13:00 Lunch

14:00 Group Roundtables (break-out sessions)

16:00 Recess

16:30 Open Dialogue and conclusions (plenary)

17:00 Closing

WEDNESDAY, March 25 – Independence Village, Stann Creek District

Early morning Travel to District

14:00 RoundTable Opening (participation of Members of the Steering Committee subject to their availability)

14:30 Panel 1 (plenary)

15:30 Group Roundtables (break-out sessions)

16:30 Open Dialogue and conclusions (plenary)

17:00 Closing

THURSDAY, March 26 – Independence Village, Stann Creek District

9:00 Talk/Presentation

9:30 Group Roundtables (break-out sessions)

11:30 Recess

12:00 Talk/Presentation

13:00 Lunch

14:00 Group Roundtables (break-out sessions)

15:00 Open Dialogue and conclusions (plenary)

15:30 Closing

FRIDAY, March 27 – Belize City

9:00 Team Meeting

11:00 Airport