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## ACRONYMS

<b>ADI</b>	Association for Democratic Initiatives
<b>AFSARD</b>	Agency for Financial Support of Agriculture and Rural Development
<b>ALSGU</b>	Association of Local Self-Government Units
<b>ATIS</b>	Agency for Foreign Investments and Export Promotion
<b>CMC</b>	Change Management Center
<b>CPC</b>	Commission for Protection of Competition
<b>CPRFAPI</b>	Commission for Protection of the Right to Free Access to Public Information
<b>CRM</b>	Central Register of the Republic of Macedonia
<b>CRPM</b>	Center for Research and Policy making
<b>CSOs</b>	Civil Society Organizations
<b>DTIDZ</b>	Directorate for Technological Industrial Development Zones
<b>ENER</b>	Single National Electronic Register of Regulations
<b>EPPS</b>	Electronic public procurement system
<b>ESE</b>	Association for Emancipation, Solidarity and Equality of Women in Macedonia
<b>EU</b>	European Union
<b>GEF</b>	Global Environmental Facility
<b>GIZ</b>	German Society for International Cooperation
<b>IDSCS</b>	Institute for Democracy Societas Civilis
<b>Law on FAPI</b>	Law on Free Access to Public Information
<b>LSGU</b>	Local Self Government Units
<b>MCIC</b>	Macedonian Center for International Cooperation
<b>ME</b>	Ministry of Economy
<b>MEPP</b>	Ministry of Environment and Physical Planning
<b>MF</b>	Ministry of Finance
<b>MI</b>	Ministry of Interior
<b>MISA</b>	Ministry of Information Society and Administration
<b>MKM</b>	Association for Sustainable Development Milieukontakt Macedonia
<b>MLS</b>	Ministry of Local Self Government
<b>MLSP</b>	Ministry of Labor and Social Policy
<b>MOJ</b>	Ministry of Justice
<b>NGOs</b>	Nongovernmental Organizations
<b>OGP</b>	Open Government Partnership
<b>PPB</b>	Public Procurement Bureau
<b>RIA</b>	Regulatory Impact Assessment
<b>RM</b>	Republic of Macedonia
<b>SCPC</b>	State Commission for Prevention of Corruption
<b>SEA</b>	Secretariat for European Affairs
<b>SG of GRM</b>	General Secretariat of the Government
<b>UNDP</b>	United Nations Development Program

## **INTRODUCTION**

Republic of Macedonia has continually worked on achieving improved efficient operation of state institutions, increased transparency and public access to information, anti-corruption work and high quality public services to citizens and businesses by using technology and innovation powers.

Given the accessing to global voluntarily initiative for Open Government Partnership, the Government of the Republic of Macedonia committed and confirmed to undertake pioneering effort to continually improve its work based on open, transparent, accountable and efficient government institutions at all levels that include citizens participation. The responsibilities in respect of transparent government activities, as well as inclusion of civil and private sector are high priorities in the Government agenda. The civil sector has enormous creative energy that should be used more actively in the public sector by improving and fostering the culture involvement and respect to citizens' rights in the policy creating and decision making processes, law drafting and public access to information. Furthermore, Open Government Partnership has a strong impact on innovations, development and competitiveness.

Over the recent years, the Government of the Republic of Macedonia has aimed on promoting government transparency, greater citizen participation and involvement in the decision making process, introducing higher integrity standards and greater public access to technology for all citizens of the Republic of Macedonia. With 2016-2018 National Open Government Partnership Action Plan, Republic of Macedonia continues its commitment for active work on the priorities related to participatory policy creating at central and local levels, integrity, open data, fiscal transparency, freedom to information namely with fewer but measurable realistic and predictable achievements.

## **GOVERNMENT EFFORTS FOR OPEN PARTNERSHIP**

Republic of Macedonia has joined the global Open Government Partnership in 2011. In accordance with all countries' responsibilities joining this initiative to submit action plans for initiative implementation, in June 2012 the Government has adopted the first Open Government Partnership Action Plan, and in May 2014 the Government has adopted the second 2014-2016 OGP Action Plan.

Apart from the Government, great number of civil organizations took active participation in the implementation process of commitments with equal participation in working groups set up for that purpose, laid down in the second 2014-2016 OGP Action Plan. The Action plan implementation involves undertaking number of activities for building citizen and company partnerships in designing national policies and drafting national legislation, strategies and initiatives. Furthermore, other than the strategic documents implementation, interactive web portals have been opened to facilitate the consultation process, increase transparency and possibility to create forums discussions and opinion exchange. This approach always leads to good results and better legislation, therefore improvement of mechanisms remains a high priority in consultation process development and cooperation with the civil sector. There was also introduction of legislative regulation to protect people reporting suspicion of illegal and impermissible actions, thus ensuring a system institutional protection of those people. As a further

challenge remains improvement of institutions openness both at central and local level through a thorough civil involvement in policy creating for good government, integrity and corruption risks prevention.

Currently Macedonia has a legislation that guarantees public access to information, and institutions publish a wide range of information on their web portals, thus providing openness towards citizens and companies. Furthermore, open data have been introduced and open data prioritization mechanisms have been provided according to the citizen and companies requirements. Certainly, this remains to be the highest priority of the Partnership having in mind creation of open data standards and definition of open data licenses for their posting on the [open data portal http://www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk](http://www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk).

In the part of efficient public resource management, special attention has been paid to increasing institutions' transparency and accountability in view of public funds spending by publishing open format budget documents, publication and narrative explanation of health programs realization, as well as publication of public procurement standardized information on the stakeholders' web pages. The fiscal transparency commitment remains in the focus of this Action plan.

These achievements are basis for upgrading the determined priorities and achievements for 2016-2018, and the established system to organize the implementation and monitor the commitments in the second Action Plan will continue in 2016-2018 OGP Action Plan by establishing working groups for certain priority areas of the plan.

## **DEVELOPMENT OF 2016-2018 OPEN GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP ACTION PLAN**

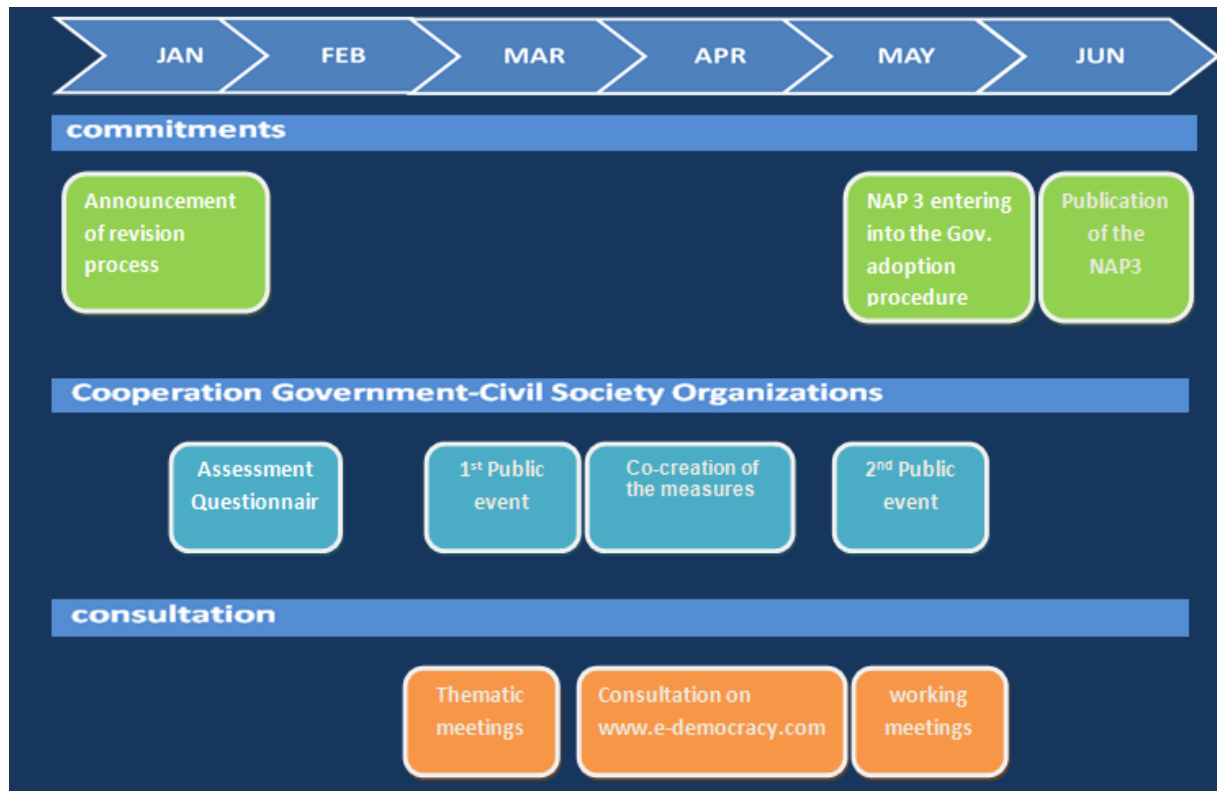
Experiences from previous Action Plans and the five "SMART" independent reporting mechanism recommendations<sup>1</sup> were basic guidelines in organizing and implementing the elaboration and development process for the Action Plan commitments that address current society challenges. The third 2016-2018 national open government partnership action plan involves wide range of activities that the Government has decided to undertake the following two years in order to strengthen and expand the development efforts for government transparency, improve institutional mechanisms efficiency for civil participation in the decision making process, budget transparency, data management and storing registers in state and public institutions as well as increase integrity standards for greater public access to technology for all citizens of the Republic of Macedonia.

Internal and external Government consultations, including broad consultations with line ministries and other state administration authorities, as well as consultations with general public, civil organizations, academic institutions and private sector have taken central point in creating this Action plan. In February 2016 the e-democracy portal and the web site of the Ministry of Information Society and Administration published Notification regarding the beginning of the preparation process for the third 2016-2018 OGP Action Plan, along with the time frame for elaboration of the 2016-2018 OGP Action Plan that marked the official start of co-creation of 2016-2018 Open government partnership Action plan.

### **Table1. Timeframe for drafting 2016-2018 Open government partnership action plan**

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<sup>1</sup> Independent reporting mechanisms (IRM) Progress Report (2015)



In compliance with the timeframe for drafting 2016-2018 Open Government Partnership Action Plan, the process of co - creation was divided into interconnected stages undertaking the following actions:

- ✓ In February 2016, civil society organizations were invited to participate in the survey for pre-assessment of Open Government Partnership working group needs, notifying citizens regarding the initiative and expressing interest for future involvement. The survey results are published on the following [link](#).
- ✓ An open dialogue with civil society was conducted in March 2016. Three workshops where 110 representatives of civil society in Macedonia (NGOs, businesses, social partners, the media and academia) actively participated and discussed challenges related to transparency and accountability, freedom of information, open data, effective public services and good governance at local level was conducted for that purpose. 38 proposals were identified on the workshops for which civil society has made commitment to include them in the Open Government Partnership Action Plan. The workshops were used to raise awareness for Sustainable Development Goals.
- ✓ The First public event – Conference “Open Government Partnership dialogue with civil society organizations on 2016-2018 National Action Plan” was held on 23-24 march 2016. The conference promoted the initiative Open Government Partnership, gave detailed information on the 2014-2016 Open government partnership Action plan progress, a representative of the Independent reporting mechanism introduced the Independent reporting mechanism (IRM) as one of the key manners interested parties can follow the progress and impact of governments

participating in the initiative for Open government partnership and create discussion environment between civil society organizations and government institutions regarding experiences and challenges in implementing the second action plan and co -creating proposed measures for the third action plan. Six working groups facilitated by representatives from non-governmental organizations gave 66 suggestions and guidelines for the third action plan during the conference concerning the following priority topics: participatory policy-making, open data, freedom of information, preventing corruption and promoting good governance, effective public resources management (fiscal transparency) and local level openness. The conference was attended by 97 state institutions and civil society organizations representatives working in areas relevant to the Open Government Partnership, as well as universities and diplomatic missions' representatives.

- ✓ The process for defining the draft measures for the first draft-version of 2016-2018 Open Government Partnership Action Plan was conducted during the period from March 24 to April 30 2016. Thus there were four thematic workshops, managed by individual priority coordinators by relevant government institutions. Representatives of civil society organizations and government institutions gave their suggestions on thematic workshops and the first public event during the work was focused on prioritizing and defining the draft measures in accordance with the criteria of Independent reporting mechanism. 19 commitments with 80 activities on six priority topics were defined in this phase<sup>2</sup>.
- ✓ During April 2016, the interested parties had the opportunity to submit their comments and observations on the first draft of the action plan. Notification regarding the consultation process is available on the following link. 7 new proposed measures were submitted during the one month open on-line consultation process. In the same period, the received comments by the Support Department under the initiative Open Government Partnership were forwarded to all working groups for consideration.
- ✓ The Second public event - Dialogue "Open Government Partnership dialogue with civil society organizations on 2016-2018 National Action Plan " was held on May 11 2016, presenting the first draft 2016-2018 National Open Government Partnership Action Plan drafted in cooperation with NGOs and conducting discussion between civil society organizations and government institutions to develop a second draft of the Action plan.

The participants worked in six thematic groups: participatory policy-making, open data, public access to information, reducing corruption and promoting the rule of law, efficient management of public resources (fiscal transparency) and local level openness. The groups were set up depending on the interests by representatives, with prior registration. The working groups discussed the measures that were proposed and developed during an open dialogue with civil society organizations on the first two-day public event, the measures obtained during the one-month consultation period on the portal e-demokrtija and proposals presented at the event itself. Special attention was paid to the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development. The working groups had the opportunity to exchange views and determine the relevance of draft measures from the first draft of the 2016-2018 Open Government Partnership Action Plan for the purposes set out 2030 Agenda for sustainable development. The event was attended by over 110 state institutions and civil society organizations representatives working in

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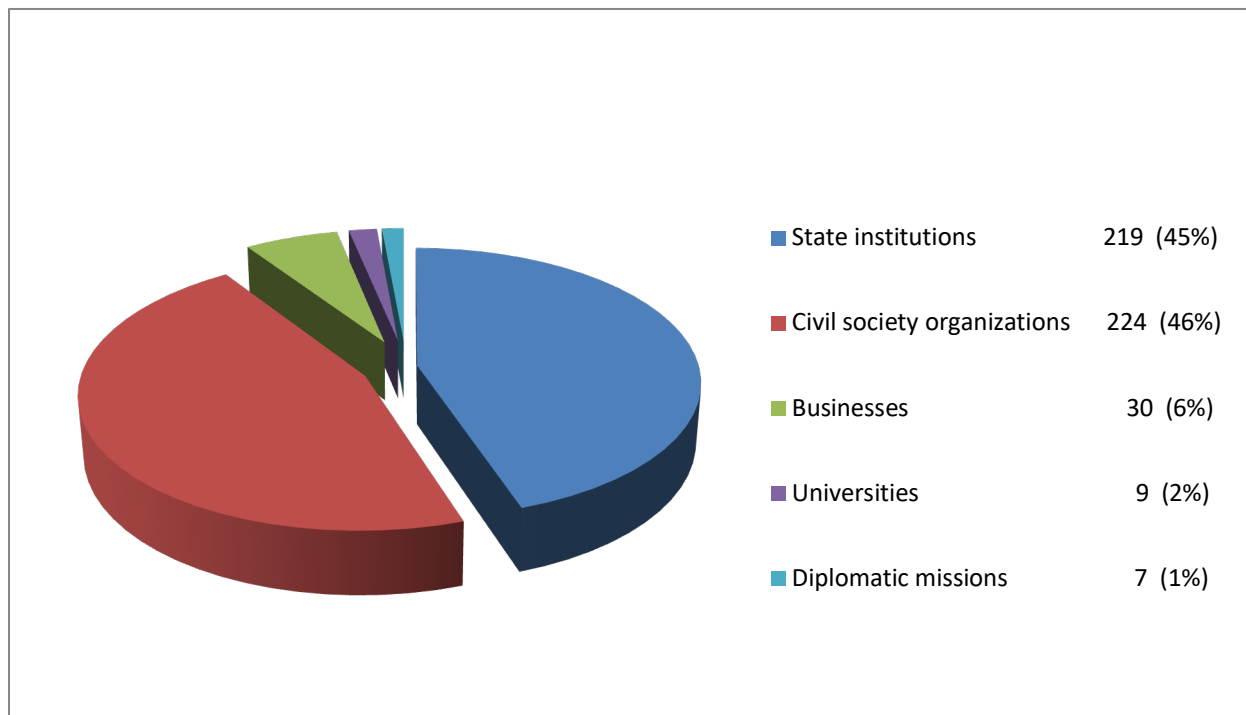
<sup>2</sup> Participatory policy creation, Open Data, Freedom of Information, Anti-corruption and promoting good governance, effective management of public resources (fiscal transparency) and local level openness.



areas relevant to open government partnership, universities and diplomatic missions' representatives, hereof developing and proposing draft measures for the second 2016-2018 action plan draft.

- ✓ Ad hoc meetings were held from 11 to 25 May for further development and harmonization of positions upon the draft-measures by the proposers and responsible institutions for implementation. 4 commitments for two new topics and,, Public Services "and" Climate Change " were defined this period.

**Table2. Participants on consultation events for co - creation of draft-measures**



Given the country's commitment to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals and the country's acceptance of the "Joint Declaration on Open Government for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" the has decided to undertake a pioneering effort at mainstreaming the principles of sustainable development into the open government agenda during the preparation of this Action plan.

During the consultation events organized from February to May 2016, the popularized sustainable development goals were explained and participants were encouraged to think and propose how measures of the Open Government Partnership Action Plan may be relevant and adjusted with the Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The consultations have led to the conclusion that one of the 17 new Global Goals – more specifically Goal 16, which aims “to build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels” – is explicitly aligned with the open government agenda. However, the consultative process has also recognized that in fact progress towards every Goal depends on transparent institutions that are open and accountable to their citizens, on active participation by citizens, and on the rule of law.

In addition, this Action Plan specifically, has identified specific linkages between the OGP agenda and the SDG: 1, „End poverty in all its forms anywhere“, 5 „Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls“, 6 „Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all“, 13 „Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impact“, 16 „ Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all “ and 17 „Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development “ that are reflected and explained under the relevant OGP measures presented below.

Integrating development goals in Open Government Partnership is done in compliance with existing globally defined development objectives and indicators because there is an ongoing process for Sustainable Development Goals Localization for Macedonia. However, the identification of links between the measures for Open Government Partnership and global development goals achieved in this process is a major step in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals in the country and the process and outcome thereof will be taken into account in further Government steps to localize global development objectives in other national policies. Thus, the Open Government Partnership Action Plan launched a major debate on implementation of 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development where major stakeholders expressed readiness to continue cooperation in terms of connecting the agendas for open government and sustainable development and jointly monitor the progress and results of the process.

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The third 2016-2018 National Open Government Partnership Action Plan was prepared by means of a wide consultative process with intercepted experiences and challenges of previous action plans for open government partnership, recommendations for Independent reporting mechanisms, creative proposals from interested stakeholders, commitment to integrate sustainable Development Goals and with direct involvement of 489 government representatives, civil society and the private sector and academia, which defines 101 achievements, 34 developed commitments in 8 priority topics.

The work of the Open government is an ongoing commitment and this Action plan covers some possible but ambitious efforts to promote Government transparency and accountability. This document promotes openness and possibility for further expansion of the above established priorities in close cooperation with all stakeholders in the field of Open Government Partnership.

## 1. PARTICIPATORY POLICY CREATING

### 1.1. Advancement of the consultation process with stakeholders in the policy creating process

Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	Ongoing commitment	
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Other Actors Involved	State administration bodies, independent state administration bodies	MISA, GS of the GRM, CRM, ministries
	Non-government sector, business subjects, trade unions, economic chambers, associations and foundations	Macedonian Center for International Cooperation (MCMS), Center for Research and Policy making, (CRPM), UNDP
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	Public inclusion in the policy creating and law drafting processes has not been on a satisfactory level yet. Though established in 2009, the Single National Electronic Regulation Register has not been sufficiently applied in on-line consultations on draft laws. The minimal consultation period on draft laws has not been respected with all draft laws and it is significantly shorter in respect of the standards set up in the EU countries and in the region. The public has no insight in the	

	effects of the consultation process and no summarized feedback information are available from the conducted consultation process.
Main objective	Affirmation and advancement of already established practices for participatory policy making supported by the government and civil sector.
Brief description of commitment	Relation strengthening between the Government and civil sector is the key principle for good government and it is a necessary investment in quality policy creating process.
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Measures set up in this priority contribute for improved public services and increased public integrity.
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16. "Peace, justice and strong institutions" Target 16.7: Ensuring representative decision making at all levels, to address the issues, based on involvement and participation of all stakeholders The measures of this commitment contribute for more quality decision making by the policy creators, based on consultations with all stakeholders
Relevance	The consultation process with stakeholders allows the Government to have an access to new sources of ideas, information and resources important in the policy creating process and decision making. Affirmation and improvement of the established practices and procedures in policy creating, supported by the government and public sector, are the basis for improvement of the Government transparency and accountability to the public. Also, the information technology supporting established procedures in policy creating enable greater openness, timeliness and responsibility of the public sector.
Ambition	This commitment is expected to increase the government accountability and openness in a two-year period through the process improvement and conducting consultations with the public: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In the preparation process of ex ante and ex post regulation impact assessment through preparation and publication of Annual Report of conducted consultations,</li> <li>- Sharing results provided by independent non-government organization's monitoring of the Government institutions' openness in policy making processes and law drafting</li> <li>- Extending the consultation deadline with stakeholders in the report preparation process for the regulation impact assessment and law drafting</li> <li>- Publication of information from held sessions of the Government on determined law proposals, made decisions and other measures</li> </ul>

	- Publication of basic data on civil organizations and business subjects on the website of the Central Register of RM		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
Relevance	MISA, GS of the GRM, ministries, MCMS, UNDP	09/ 2016	03/2017
Ambition	MISA, GS of the GRM, ministries, MCMS	03/ 2017	9/2017
Milestone	MCMS, MISA	07/2016	6/2018
Relevance	MIAS, GS of the GRM	01/ 2017	01/2018
Ambition	GS of the GRM	07/ 2016	06/2018
<b>1.1.1 Developing methodology for monitoring, collection and processing of data for conducted consultations in the preparation of draft laws by ministries</b>	MISA, SG of GRM, ministries, MCIC, UNDP	09/ 2016	03/2017
<b>1.1.2 Preparation and publication of Annual Report on conducted consultations in the preparation of draft laws by ministries</b>	MISA, SG of GRM, ministries, MCIC,	03/ 2017	9/2017
<b>1.1.3. External monitoring of the Unique National Electronic Registry of Regulations (ENER) - Results published and widely distributed to decision-makers</b>	MCIC, MISA	07/2016	6/2018
<b>1.1.4. Prolonging the deadline for consultation with stakeholders in the preparation of draft laws by ministries - Prolonging the deadline from publishing the Announcement of the start of the preparation process for the proposed legislation on ENER until the publication of draft law from 5 to 15 days - Prolonging the deadline for consultation on ENER regarding the draft-report on RIA and draft law from at least 10 to at least 20 days</b>	MISA, SG of GRM	01/ 2017	01/2018
<b>1.1.5 Publishing Press release from held government meetings on established proposals for laws, adopted decisions and other measures</b>	SG of GRM	07/ 2016	06/2018
<b>1.1.6 Definition of a list for basic (aggregated) data publication of civil organizations and business subjects on the Central Register of RM's website.</b>	CRM, MISA, MCMS	08/ 2016	06/2018
<b>1.1.7 Publication of basic (aggregated) data on civil</b>	CRM, MISA, MCMS	10/ 2016	6/2018

organizations and business subjects on the Central Register of RM's website.			
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1.2 Cooperation advancement with the civil sector		
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	Ongoing commitment	
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Other Actors Involved	State administration bodies, independent state administration bodies	General Secretariat of the Government of RM
	Non-government sector, business subjects, trade unions, economic chambers, associations and foundations	/
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	There is a need for more active involvement of the civil organizations in policy defining of the civil sector concern and increased cooperation in the joint initiatives implementation and monitoring.	
Main objective	Improvement of the cooperation between the Government and the civil sector through setting up an advisory body for cooperation, dialogue and encouragement of the civil sector development, participatory policy creating for the Government's Annual Work Program through increased number of initiatives by the civil organizations, in accordance with the Good Practices Code for the civil sector	

	involvement in the policy creating process and continuation of the cooperation through participatory preparation of the new 2018-2022 Strategy of the Government for cooperation with the civil sector.		
Brief description of commitment	Setting up a Council for cooperation between the Government and the civil sector and its constitution Publication of appeal for civil sector's contribution in preparation of the Government's Annual Work Program; Preparation of the new 2018-2022 Strategy of the Government for cooperation with the civil sector, through a participatory involvement of civil organization in working groups, public debates and other forms of consultations.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Civil sector involvement		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16. "Peace, justice and strong institutions" Target 16.7: Ensuring representative decision making at all levels, to address the issues, based on involvement and participation of all stakeholders The measures of this commitment contribute for more quality decision making by the policy creators, based on consultations with all stakeholders		
Relevance	Civil sector involvement in the policy creating process		
Ambition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ensuring better environment for the civil sector development;</li> <li>- Encouraging civil sector activism in the social processes;</li> <li>- Strengthening of the existing and creating new cooperation mechanisms;</li> <li>- Allowing civil organizations to make contribution to the processes for economic progress, law and policy creating, European integration and democracy development, as well as meeting the needs of the community.</li> </ul>		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>1.2.1. Setting up an advisory body for advancement of the cooperation, dialogue and development encouragement of the civil sector, composed of representatives of the Government, state administration bodies and civil organizations (CO)</b>	GS of the GRM	07/ 2016	12/2016
<b>1.2.2. Advanced implementation of the Good Practices Code for the civil sector's participation in the policy creating process through an increased number of initiatives by the civil sector for the Annual Work Program of the Government of the Republic of Macedonia</b>	GS of the GRM	08/2016	09/2017
<b>1.2.3. Participatory preparation of the new 2018-2022 Cooperation Strategy of the Government with the civil</b>	GS of the GRM	10/ 2017	01/2018

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2. OPEN DATA		
2.1 Creation of open data standards		
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	New commitment	
Lead implementing agency	Ministry of Information Society and Administration	
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Other Actors Involved	Government	Ministry of Information Society and Administration
	CSO, private sector, working groups, multi-lateral groups	Center For Change Management (CCM), Metamorphosis Internet and Society Foundation, Reactor



Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	Presently, there are no developed open data standards in Macedonia and each institution publishes data in accordance with its technical capacities. Accordingly, it happens that related data sets of different structure and description are published by different institutions.		
Main objective	Establishment of open data standards to provide standardized data sets publication by institutions and their easier processing and use.		
Brief description of commitment	Development of open data standards at least in the standard definition of meta data and open data.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Creation of a convenient environment for easier identification, processing and consummation of the published data sets.		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	<p>Reference to the Objective 16. "Peace, justice and strong institutions"</p> <p>Target 16.7: Ensuring representative decision making at all levels, to address the issues, based on involvement and participation of all stakeholders</p> <p>The measures of this commitment contribute for more quality decision making by the policy creators, based on consultations with all stakeholders</p>		
Relevance	<p>According to the Law on public sector data use, institutions in the Republic of Macedonia are obliged to publish open data in a computer-readable format in compliance with their technical capacities. Presently, the <a href="http://otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk">otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk</a> portal provides 154 data sets, and this number is expected to increase eventually. Therefore, development of open data standards has become a necessity in order to facilitate access to information, as well as for published data sets identification and use.</p> <p>Standards development would make data set more accessible for the citizens, easier for development of certain open data based applications and increase public responsibility of institutions.</p>		
Ambition	This commitment includes development of open data standards for facilitated open data identification and use. This will allow citizens easier identification of data of their concern and to monitor their timely updating.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>2.1.1 Development of meta data standards for open government data</b>	MISA	08/2016	07/2018

## 2.2 Improvement of the open data platform and its approximation to the citizens

Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)		New commitment
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Other Actors Involved	Government	Ministry of Information Society and Administration and state institution publishing data on the <a href="http://www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk">www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk</a> portal
	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	Free Software
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		Presently, open data license model has not been established in Macedonia, and the <a href="http://www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk">www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk</a> website takes over unlicensed sets. The <a href="http://www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk">www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk</a> website provides a possibility for keeping history of unpublished data sets, and it is an option for the institution that publishes a certain data set.
Main objective		Definition/selection of an open data license model and posting licenses on the open data portal. Allowing greater participatory and accountability on the open data portal through establishing archives of published data sets.
Brief description of commitment		Posting licenses on the open data portal for taken over data sets.

	Establishment of archives of all data sets according to the capacities of the institution that publishes data sets.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Selection of the most appropriate license model for Macedonia and its implementation on the site. Creation of a convenient environment for easier data sets identification and comparison in different time periods, and establishment of certain data sets trends.		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16. "Peace, justice and strong institutions" Target 16.7: Ensuring representative decision making at all levels, to address the issues, based on involvement and participation of all stakeholders The measures of this commitment contribute for more quality decision making by the policy creators, based on consultations with all stakeholders		
Relevance	According to the Law on public sector data use, institutions in the Republic of Macedonia are obliged to publish open data in a computer-readable format in compliance with their technical capacities. Presently, the <a href="http://otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk">otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk</a> portal provides 154 data sets, and this number is expected to increase eventually. Increased number of open data sets increases the need for establishing appropriate license model to allow undisturbed access to open data, at the same time protecting institutions that create data first of all through open data abuse prevention.		
Ambition	This commitment includes establishment of open data licenses and open data archives on the <a href="http://www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk">www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk</a> for facilitated open data identification and use and easier monitoring of trends in certain fields. On the other hand, it will contribute for data sets abuse and protection of institutions that produce these data sets.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>2.2.1 Selection of a licensing model</b>	MISA	09/2016	11/2016
<b>2.2.2 Implementation of the licensing model on the website <a href="http://www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk">www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk</a></b>	MISA	12/2016	01/2017
<b>2.2.3 Analysis of the possibilities for saving data sets in the website's archive <a href="http://www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk">www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk</a> (as per institution)</b>	MISA Institution holder of a data set Free Software	09/2016	06/2018
<b>2.2.4 Adaptation of the website <a href="http://www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk">www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk</a> for the needs of the data set archive model (as per institution)</b>	MISA Institution holder of a data set Free Software	09/2016	06/2018

### 2.3 Rising awareness of open data

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Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	New commitment	
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Other Actors Involved	Government	Ministry of Information Society and Administration
	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	Free Software Reactor
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		In 2014, the Ministry of Information Society and Administration set up a modern open data platform for publishing open data sets of institutions. Since then, the Ministry has organized a number of events for the portal promotion, as well as the first hackathon competition for development of open data based applications. Despite these activities, the portal has been visited at average of 700 single visits a month, that is far from the expected number. This is considered to be due to insufficient popularization of open data as a concept, and

	the low citizens' awareness of the open data importance and potential.		
Main objective	The main objective of this commitment is to popularize the open data concept and encourage civil sector and private companies for enhanced use of these data through presentation of the open data potential and importance.		
Brief description of commitment	Campaign for the open data popularization among citizens.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Raising awareness of the open data benefit for data holders (institutions) and data users (citizens and private sector).		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16. "Peace, justice and strong institutions" Target 16.7: Ensuring representative decision making at all levels, to address the issues, based on involvement and participation of all stakeholders The measures of this commitment contribute for more quality decision making by the policy creators, based on consultations with all stakeholders		
Relevance	Conducted analysis and contacts with the non-government sector and citizens led to the conclusion that the open data concept and the concept for free access to information are still confused. In order to increase the civil sector's involvement and open data use, that would facilitate access to information, public responsibility and increased openness and accountability, it is necessary to provide additional education for the key factors in institutions, as well as enhanced presentation and popularization of the open data concept among the citizens.		
Ambition	This commitment includes initiation of a campaign for popularization of the open data concept.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>2.3.1 Conducting a survey on the citizens' familiarity with the open data concept</b>	MISA	08/2016	10/2016
<b>2.3.2 Organization of trainings on open data identification and publication for at least 20 institutions</b>	MISA	08/2016	08/2017
<b>2.3.3 Organization of at least two advertising campaigns for the open data concept</b>	NGO	08/2016	08/2018
<b>2.3.4 Organization of at least one competition – hackathon for development of open data based applications</b>	MISA	08/2016	08/2018

## 2.4 Cataloging and categorization of data sets held by state institutions

Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	New commitment	
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Other Actors Involved	Government	Ministry of Information Society and Administration
	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	CCM Other NGO
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	According to the Article 7 of the Law on public sector data use, public bodies and institutions are obliged to submit electronic data catalogue to the Ministry of Information Society and Administration, created within their competence and published for public use, including date of data publishing (by data sets) for their use, dynamics and their updating (daily, weekly, monthly and quarterly) and a single link, that is a web location where data are published by the public bodies and institutions. The so far experience in this provision implementation shows that the public bodies and institutions need additional support in these	

	catalogues preparation.		
Main objective	Implementation of an internal analysis by all state institutions obliged by the Law on public sector data use to publish open data and prepare appropriate Data Set Catalogue for each institution included in the measure.		
Brief description of commitment	This measure provides implementation of an internal analysis by all state institutions obliged by the Law on public sector data use to publish open data. As a result of the internal analysis, each institution should create a Data Set Catalogue, as a guideline what data sets are to be collected and published in the future. The Catalogue should be based on the analysis of the legal frame regulating institutions' operation for keeping various records in their competence, as well as on cooperation with the civil and business sectors in respect of what specific public data they need.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Creation of data set catalogues for each institution will give a clear picture of all available data sets in institutions that could be further ranked and prioritized for publishing on the open data portal.		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16. "Peace, justice and strong institutions" Target 16.10: Ensuring access to information and protection of the fundamental freedoms, in agreement with the national legislative and international agreements. Measures of this commitment contribute for improving access, use and trends following in respect of public information and data.		
Relevance	According to the Law on public sector data use, institutions in the RM are obliged to keep a data set catalogue and inform the Ministry of Information Society and Administration about that on a regular basis. This is the central commitment for establishing a sustainable growth and development of the open data platform.		
Ambition	As a result of the internal analysis, each institution should create a Data Set Catalogue, as a guideline what data sets are to be collected and published in the future.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>2.4.1 Identification of institutions covered by this measure in compliance with the law provisions</b>	MISA	10/2016	01/2017
<b>2.4.2 Analysis of institutions' data sets</b>	Institutions, NGO in coordination with the MISA	1/2017	10/2017
<b>2.4.3 Creation of the central catalogue of all institutions' data sets</b>	MISA, NGO	10/2017	01/2018
<b>2.4.4 Prioritization of data sets to be published and</b>	MISA, NGO,	01/2018	06/2018

preparation of a publication plan	institutions		
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2.5 Open data Linking on the state institutions' portals		
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	New commitment	
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Other Actors Involved	Government	Ministry of Information Society and Administration Public bodies and institutions that have published open data on the portal
	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	/
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	Easier identification and searching for published data sets directly from the web sites of data holder institutions.	
Main objective	Each institution publishing open data on the portal, should have a special open data section on its website, where all published data set are listed, with appropriate link to the central open data portal.	
Brief description of commitment	By simulation of an ordinary citizen searching for certain data on the state institutions' portals (supposing that they could be found there), we will face a situation where a citizen fails to find required data, although they have been	



	published on the open data portal. Therefore, it is necessary that each institution publishing open data on the portal has a special open data section on its website, where all published data set are listed, with appropriate link to the central open data portal.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Полесна идентификација и пронаоѓање на објавените податочни сетови директно од веб страните на институциите сопственици на податоците.		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16. “Peace, justice and strong institutions” Target 16.10: Ensuring access to information and protection of the fundamental freedoms, in agreement with the national legislative and international agreements. Measures of this commitment contribute for improving access and data sets use on the web sites of data holder institutions.		
Relevance	Implementation of this measure will ensure a comprehensive approach to data set publication and consummation. This would eliminate cases of double published data sets.		
Ambition	Publication of all data sets centrally on the open data portal and posting direct links to those data sets on the data holder institutions’ web portals.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>2.5.1 Setting up direct links on the web portals of data holder institutions to their data sets published on the open data portal</b>	Institutions that have published data sets on the open data portal	03/2017	09/2017

<b>3. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION</b>	
<b>3.1 Improvement and facilitation of the access to information</b>	
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	Ongoing commitment
Lead implementing agency	The Commission for protection of the right to free access to public information – CPRFAPI

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Other Actors Involved	State administration bodies, independent state administration bodies	The Commission for protection of the right to free access to public information
	Non-government sector, business subjects, trade unions, economic chambers, associations and foundations	Center for Civil Communications, Association for Women Emancipation, Solidarity and Equality (ESE) and Open Society Foundation – Macedonia
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		Limited access to public information and the information holders' silence due to their failure to address applications for free access to public information within the stipulated deadline of 30, that is 40 days, is the major reason for non-implementation of the Law on Free Access to Public Information, and citizens are insufficiently informed about their guaranteed right to access to public information. Public information holders, as main factors in the commitments implementation, still are not sufficiently transparent in their operation, and do not publish available information on their websites, document in their possession are not completely available for the citizens and public information applicants. Civil sector directs its activities toward improvement of the Law on Free Access to Public Information implementation, by analysis and pro-active publication of public information on the holders' websites, developing and conducting

	campaigns and trainings for citizens, promoting the right to free access to public information.
Main objective	Affirmation and improvement of the access to public information through a cooperation and joint promotion of the right to access to information, supported by the government and civil sectors.
Brief description of commitment	Improvement of the access to information through proactive public information publishing, taking measures for increased access to public information, information for the citizens, as well as improvement of the Law on Free Access to Public Information are the key factors in the Law implementation and the constitutionally guaranteed right (Article 16 of the Constitution of the RM).
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Better implementation of the Law on Free Access to Public Information with active involvement of the information holders and citizens.
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16. "Peace, justice and strong institutions" Target 16.10: Ensuring access to information and protection of the fundamental freedoms, in agreement with the national legislative and international agreements. Measures of this commitment contribute for improving access, use and trends following in respect of public information and data.
Relevance	Good cooperation practice between the public information holders and the civil sector is the key for better government and important factor for transparent work and implementation of the right to free access to public information. Affirmation and improvement of the established practices and procedures for policy creating in respect of the access to public information, supported by the information holders and the civil sector, are the basis for advancement of transparency and responsibility of the Commission for protection of the free access to public information.
Ambition	Cooperation with the information holders and civil sector has a great contribution to better implementation of the Law, transparency, openness and accountability of the institutions and their functioning, building mutual confidence, and development of quality democracy. These measures are expected to improve the Law implementation in a two-year period, increase the number

	of citizens that have exercised the right to access to public information and number of institutions that have implemented the Law.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<p><b>3.1.1. Pro-active publication of public information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Preparation of Instructions for pro-active public information publication</li> <li>- Recommendation for pro-activity prepared by the Commission for PRFAPI</li> <li>- Publication of already requested/given public information on their web locations</li> <li>- Index for monitoring pro-activity of the public information publication on the holders' web locations</li> </ul>	<p>Commission for PRFAPI, Government of RM, ministries and their bodies, municipalities in RM and other information holders, Center for Civil Communications</p>	<p>07/2016</p>	<p>06/2018</p>
<p><b>3.1.2. Measures for increasing access to public information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Trainings for officials and managerial persons based on determined weaknesses in the Law on PRFAPI implementation</li> <li>- Monitoring of the "damage test" implementation as a legal obligation of the holders</li> <li>- imposing penalties for violation by officials or managerial persons within the information holders, in agreement with the Law</li> <li>- shortening of the period of treatment on demand for free access to information (from 30 to 15 days)</li> <li>- Guide on the damage test implementation</li> <li>- Promotion of electronic demand submission for access to public information</li> </ul>	<p>Commission for PRFAPI, Open Society Foundation - Macedonia</p>	<p>07/2016</p>	<p>06/2018</p>
<p><b>3.1.3. Development and enforcement of a media campaign for promotion of the right to free access to public information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Setting up a working group for preparation and definition of the campaign implementation plan</li> <li>- Implementation of the developed campaign plan</li> <li>- The campaign is aimed to inform citizens on the rights stemming from the Law on Free Access to Public Information and public institutions' obligation for pro-activity and reactivity in their work</li> </ul>	<p>Association for Women Emancipation, Solidarity and Equality (ECE), Commission for PRFAPI, media (Internet and traditional media)</p>	<p>07/2016</p>	<p>06/2018</p>

#### 4. PREVENTION OF CORRUPTION AND PROMOTION OF GOOD GOVERNANCE

##### 4.1 Implementation of the Law on Whistle-Blower Protection and raising the awareness for whistle-blowing

Start and end date of the obligation (7/2016 – in continuity)	New measure succeeding the previous one from the Action Plan 2014-2016	
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Other involved entities	State administration bodies, independent state administration bodies	Ministry of Justice and institutions of public and private sector
	Non-governmental sector, business entities, trade unions, chambers of commerce, associations and foundations	Transparency International Macedonia and other NGO
Condition or issue covered with the obligation	The application of the Law on Whistle-Blower Protection and the bylaws deriving therefrom commenced as of 18.03.2016. The Law on Whistle-Blower Protection guarantees protection of the persons in the capacity of whistle-blowers and that their rights will not be infringed when making such report, no harm will be caused to them or their close ones	

	<p>and they will enjoy the protection of their personal data and identity.</p> <p>The implementation of the Law requires establishing and building a system for protection when reporting through which the persons dare to report illegal, prohibited or punitive action and they can perform such report without the fear of any consequences upon their security, job position or welfare of their close ones.</p>
Main goal	Efficient implementation of the Law on Whistle-Blower Protection
Short description of the obligation	The implementation of the Law on Whistle-Blower Protection and the bylaws deriving therefrom, by establishing and building a system and mechanisms for protected report and protection of whistle-blowers, is of great importance for strengthening the institutional fight against corruption and in general for prevention of corruption as socially harmful phenomenon. By strengthening the public awareness for protected report, protection of whistle-blowers and their importance for the prevention and fight against corruption and protection of the public interest, the reporting of punitive or other illegal or prohibited action which harms the public interest will be stimulated and encouraged.
OGP challenge covered with the obligation	Increasing the public responsibility, integrity and trust in the public and private sector
Connection with the global goals for sustainable development	<p>Reference with Target 16 “Peace, justice and strong institutions”, Target 16.5: Significant decrease of all forms of corruption and bribe.</p> <p>The measures from such effort contribute to prevention and fight against corruption and protection of public interest via efficient application of the system for protected report and protection of whistle-blowers.</p>
Validity	<p>The Law on Whistle-Blower Protection (“Official Gazette of Republic of Macedonia” number 196/2015), was adopted on 09.11.2015, which regulates protected report in the public and private sector, the rights of whistle-blowers, as well as the action and responsibilities of institutions, i.e. legal entities in relation with the protected report and ensuring protection of the whistle-blowers. In March 2016, the Minister of Justice adopted the bylaws deriving from the Law on Whistle-Blower Protection: Rulebook on protected internal report in the institutions within the public sector (“Official Gazette of Republic of Macedonia” number 46/16), Rulebook on external report (Official Gazette of Republic of Macedonia” number 46/16) and Rulebook on instructions for adoption of internal acts on protected internal report within the legal entity in the private sector (“Official Gazette of Republic of Macedonia” number 46/16). The application of the Whistle-Blower Protection Law and the bylaws deriving therefrom commenced on 18.03.2016.</p> <p>From international aspect there are many acts as basis for</p>

	<p>adoption of legal decision which shall regulate the report and protection of whistle-blowers such as the United Nations Convention against Corruption, Civil Convention against Corruption and Criminal Law Convention on Corruption of the Council of Europe, Draft - Resolution dated 2009 on the protection of persons reporting irregularities on the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe.</p> <p>The United Nations Convention refers to the “Whistle-Blower Protection” institute in anti-corruption legal frame. The Macedonian anti-corruption legal frame was upgraded with the adoption of the Law on Whistle-Blower Protection and the bylaws deriving therefrom.</p> <p>The fight against corruption will be strengthened with the establishing of the system for protected report and systematic institutional protection of the persons who report any suspicion or knowledge that any punitive or other illegal or prohibited action was committed, is being committed or will probably be committed which harms the public interest.</p>		
Ambition	<p>Successful application of the Law is expected by establishing system of protected report and system protection of the whistle-blowers. The implementation and results from the implementation of the Law will be determined in accordance with the Methodology for assessment of the implementation of the regulation and measures will be taken for promoting the application of the Law on Whistle-Blower Protection.</p> <p>Increased trust in the institutions is expected from this effort from the aspect of reporting cases therein of punitive, illegal or prohibited action which harms the public interest, thus ensuring increased number of reports from whistle-blowers. Strengthening of the public awareness with regards to the whistle-blowing and increasing of the citizen awareness for the importance of the whistle-blowers in the prevention and fight against corruption and protection of the public interest.</p>		
Achievements	Activity holder	Start date	End date
<b>4.1.1. Application of the Law and bylaws on protected report (determining authorized persons for accepting reports from whistle-blowers from the institutions)</b>	SCPC, Institutions from public and private sector	2016	In continuity
<b>4.1.2. Strengthening the capacities of the authorized persons for accepting reports from whistle-blowers for efficient implementation of the Law via trainings and workshops</b>	SCPC, NGO, Transparency International Macedonia	2016	In continuity
<b>4.1.3. Annual reports on accepted reports from whistle-blowers (data on institutions and number of accepted reports from whistle-blowers)</b>	SCPC, Ministry of Justice	Annually	In continuity
<b>4.1.4. Raising the awareness for whistle-blowing (campaigns and public debates, manual)</b>	SCPC, NGO	2016	In continuity

#### 4.2 Open data on property status of elected and appointed persons

Start and end date of the obligation (2017 –2018)		New
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Other involved entities	State administration bodies, independent state administration bodies	/
	Non-governmental sector, business entities, trade unions, chambers of commerce, associations and foundations	/



Condition or issue covered with the obligation	<p>SCPC publishes the data on the property status and changes in the property status of the elected and appointed persons; however, due to the non-existence of software solution, it is impossible to have an insight and historical review of all reported changes in the property status as of the time when the such persons assumed their functions until the time they cease to perform their function.</p>
Main goal	<p>Increased accountability of the elected and appointed persons and increased information to the public regarding their property status.</p>
Short description of the obligation	<p>The openness of the data on asset declarations of the elected and appointed persons via their chronological publication and historical review in continuity is essential for overall insight and display of the property status and changes in the property status of the elected and appointed persons as of the time of assuming their function until the cessation thereof. Prerequisite for realization of the obligation is designing and establishing software solution which will provide insight in form of open data.</p>
OGP challenge covered with the obligation	<p>Increased openness of the data on the property status of elected and appointed persons.</p>
Connection with the global goals for sustainable development	<p>Reference with Target 16 “Peace, justice and strong institutions”, Target 16.5: Significant decrease of all forms of corruption and bribe. The measures of this effort contribute to prevention and fight against corruption and protection of the public interest by increasing the accountability and responsibility of the elected and appointed persons towards the citizens.</p>
Validity	<p>Pursuant to Article 35 of the Law on Prevention of Corruption, the data from the asset declaration and from the report on the change of property status present information of public character, except for the data protected by law. The data from the asset declarations and from the reports for change of property status, except for the data protected by law, of the persons referred to in Article 33 paragraph (1) of this Law are posted to SCPC website.</p> <p>With the modifications and amendments to the Law on Prevention of Corruption from June 2015, SCPC keeps register of elected and appointed persons which presents unique database for these persons.</p> <p>The implementation of these norms, the submission of data to SCPC for mandate verification, election i.e. appointment and cessation of the function i.e. duty becomes an obligation of the institutions and bodies performing elections and appointments, thus entirely exceeding the problem for overall and trustworthy recording of the public function holders. SCPC intensively took over all activities for</p>

	<p>establishing electronic database for the elected and appointed persons. All these activities are implemented in synchronization with the activities within Component 6 of the IPA TWINNING Project “Support to efficient prevention and fight against corruption” from which an IT solution should derive for the register of elected and appointed persons. The monitoring of the property status and changes in the property status of the elected and appointed persons is a basic tool for developing the integrity of the elected and appointed persons. The information provisioned to the citizens regarding the aforementioned should be relevant. Hence, it is important SCPC to allow to the public not only insight in the current status to the public, but also to monitor the change of the status.</p>		
Ambition	<p>The entire insight and monitoring of the property status and the changes in the property status will increase the accountability and responsibility of the elected and appointed persons. The openness of the data on the asset declarations is a possibility to facilitate the analyses of the citizen associations in the role of supervisors alarming any possible risks and misuses.</p>		
Achievements	Activity holder	Start date	End date
<b>4.2.1. Creating technical conditions for publishing asset declarations in form of open data (created and established software solution)</b>	SCPC	2017	2018
<b>4.2.2. Establishing historical review of the changes in the property status of the elected and appointed persons</b>	SCPC	2018	In continuity

<b>4.3 Promotion of integrity, transparency and accountability on local level and monitoring the progress</b>	
Start and end date of the obligation (6/ 2016 – 6/ 2018)	New measure succeeding the previous one from the Action Plan 2014-2016
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Other involved entities	Governmental Ministries, division/agency	Local Self-Government Units
	GO, private sector, multilateral and work groups	CRPM and other NGO
Condition or issue covered with the obligation		<p>Considering the policies for more dynamic and sustainable economic and social development of LSGU, entirely directed towards the citizens and the realization of their rights, with the strong determination to cope with corruption and unethical conduct, 47 municipalities in cooperation with SCPC have signed anti-corruption policies/integrity policies. It is necessary this process to continue and to be entirely completed by signing anti-corruption policies by all LSGU, thus establishing overall system of mechanisms and procedures which tighten the space and possibilities for corruption and affirm the principles of the rule of law. This will simultaneously contribute to bigger openness of LSGU and involvement of the citizens in their operation.</p>
Main goal		Improvement of the transparency, accountability and integrity of institutions on local level and monitoring the progress.
Short description of the obligation		<p>The promotion of integrity in the institutions on local level is focused towards prevention and non-tolerance of conduct prohibited by law which is contrary to the ethical code and any form of corruptive conduct in the operation of the municipalities. At the same time, the capacities for supervising anti-corruptive practices on local level will be built and strengthened. The transparency and accountability of the institutions on local level ensure promotion of their openness by involving the public in the creation of the policies of good governance, integrity and prevention of the risks of corruption.</p> <p>The innovative tools for openness and responsibility (via IT tools, responsibility, transparency and accountability index and integrity index of the municipalities) are in the capacity of creating a culture of responsiveness of the local self-government units.</p>

OGP challenge covered with the obligation	Strengthened integrity of local self-government units.		
Connection with the global goals for sustainable development	Reference with Target 16 “Peace, justice and strong institutions”, Target 16.5: Significant decrease of all forms of corruption and bribe. The measures from this effort contribute to the prevention and fight corruption and protection of the public interest by systematic introduction of mechanisms, tools and measures for promotion of the integrity of public institutions.		
Validity	As part of the integrity concept, throughout 2014 and 2015 SCPC in cooperation with UNDP promoted signing of anti-corruption policy/integrity policy on local level and 47 municipalities have signed the anti-corruption policy so far. The goal is all local self-government units to sign such document as the first step in establishing the integrity concept. Responsibility, transparency and accountability index as well as the integrity index of the municipalities were prepared. The involvement of the citizen associations in the additional development of these indexes and their further testing in the local self-government units will significantly contribute to the assessment of the municipality integrity.		
Ambition	The measures determined in this effort will ensure promotion of the openness of the institutions on local level by involving the citizen organizations in the creation of indexes, monitoring and assessment of good governance and integrity of the local self-government units. The measures from such effort are focused towards promotion of the open government partnership by establishing sustainable and continuous approach via responsibility and openness of the institutions towards the non-governmental sector and the citizens. The affirmation of the mechanisms and the tools which ensure better interaction between the municipalities and the public will also contribute to promotion of the transparency and accountability of the municipalities.		
Achievements	Activity holder	Start date	End date
<b>4.3.1. Signing anti-corruption policies - integrity policies with all local self-government units</b>	SCPC, LSGU	2016	2017
<b>4.3.2. Supervising the responsibility, transparency and accountability on local level through the integrity index and responsibility, transparency and accountability index of the municipalities</b>	SCPC, LSGU, Centre for Research and Policy Making, NGO	2017	2018

#### 4.4 Promotion of cooperation and increased proactivity in the prevention of corruption and conflict of interests

Start and end date of the obligation	New
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(7/2016 – in continuity)		
Leading Institution for implementation		State Commission for Prevention of Corruption
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Other involved entities	State administration bodies, independent state administration bodies	Moj, Mol, MLSP, MLSG
	Non-governmental sector, business entities, trade unions, chambers of commerce, associations and foundations	MCIC, IDSC, CRPM, Transparency International Macedonia, ADI
Condition or issue covered with the obligation		When speaking about the prevention of corruption and conflict of interests, it is necessary to create a political culture and valuable system wherein the corruption will be clearly identified as social evil which needs to be prevented and sanctioned on regular basis. In this area, besides SCPC as an institution competent for prevention of corruption and conflict of interests and other relevant factors, the civil sector has a significant role which with its mechanisms of action presents a significant entity in the fight against these socially negative occurrences. Hence, preparedness and bigger initiative for promotion and strengthening the cooperation and partnership between the civil sector and the institutions in the fight against corruption is necessary through realization of mutual activities and projects, exchange of information and coordination for development of sustainable solutions in order to enhance the system of good governance for efficient prevention of corruption and conflict of interests.

Main goal	Increase the efficiency and effectiveness in the prevention of corruption and conflict of interests.
Short description of the obligation	<p>The action of the competent bodies, as well as the separated preventive anti-corruption projects and activities of the civil sector will not provide the expected results if sustainable system of cooperation is not established between all relevant actors, considering their specifics, as well as the determined legal competences.</p> <p>Of great importance is the holding of periodical coordinative work meetings where specific topics or projects from the area of corruption and conflict of interests will be discussed with proposals and recommendations for undertaking future activities and measures for improvement of the conditions. This will contribute to intensifying the implementation of the established general frame for cooperation for prevention of corruption, with visible results and establishing systematic approach for exchange of information and data, proposals and recommendations which will be discussed and considered from the relevant factors that handle issues from this area.</p> <p>For the purpose of bigger involvement, the civil organizations should develop methodologies for monitoring the corruption as a mechanism and approach for measuring the perceptions of the citizens and their experiences with regards to the exposure to corruption. The civil organizations should transfer the experiences from such methodologies and the results so that they can be included in the development of one all-encompassing and long-term system for prevention of corruption and conflict of interests and establishing good governance.</p> <p>In direction to informing and introducing the public with the effects from the cooperation, public events-debates will be organized, as well as workshops and thematic conferences and campaigns for raising the awareness of the public regarding the corruption and conflict of interests.</p>
OGP challenge covered with the obligation	Strengthening the integrity in general through sustainability and long lasting of the effects as a result from the cooperation and participation of civil organizations.
Connection with the global goals for sustainable development	<p>Reference with Target 16 “Peace, justice and strong institutions”, Target 16.5: Significant decrease of all forms of corruption and bribe.</p> <p>The measures of this effort contribute to prevention and fight against corruption and protection of the public interest by introducing systematic consultations with the civil sector for the purpose of mutual diagnosing and addressing of the problems.</p>

Validity	<p>In order to regulate the manner of cooperation, coordination and mutually agreed activities with the civil sector, SCPC in December 2010 initiated signing of Memorandum for mutual support to prevent corruption and conflict of interests with 17 NGO, whereby their number increased to 22 NGO until 2014 inclusive. The activities encompassed with the Memorandum refer to the exchange of information and initiatives from the area of corruption and conflict of interests, analyses and researches, holding meetings and other events for raising the public awareness, mutual professional cooperation for anti-corruption education and training as well as in the course of legal regulation and realization of projects of interest for fight against corruption and conflict of interests. In the strategic anti-corruption document State Programme for prevention and repression of corruption and prevention and reduction of the conflict of interest with the Action Plan 2016-2019, activities are planned referring to the promotion and expansion of the cooperation between SCPC and the civil organizations and activities for implementation of surveys and researches regarding the conditions with the corruption by preparing reports with findings and recommendations, as well as public debates and campaign for raising the awareness of the public for the corruption and conflict of interests.</p> <p>In direction to realization of the mutually agrees activities arising from the signed documents for cooperation as well as the measures determined in the strategic anti-corruption document, it is of great importance to promote the already established cooperation and to increase the initiative and proactivity for prevention of corruption and conflict of interests.</p>		
Ambition	The civil organizations in cooperation with the institutions actively monitor and participate in initiatives for monitoring and fight against corruption and are active partner in the process of establishing good governance.		
Achievements	Activity holder	Start date	End date
<b>4.4.1 Holding periodical coordinative work meetings</b>	NGOs	2016	2018
<b>4.4.2 Developing methodologies for monitoring the conditions related to corruption and conflict of interests</b>	NGOs	2017	2018
<b>4.4.3 Promoting the results from the monitoring of the conditions related to corruption and conflict of interests (public events—debates, workshops and thematic conferences)</b>	NGOs	2017	2018

**5. EFFICIENT MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC RESOURCES  
(FISCAL TRANSPARENCY)**

**5.1 Open budget initiative**

Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	1 current and 2 new commitments	
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	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	Association for Emancipation, Solidarity and Equality of Women In Macedonia Center for Economic Analysis Zenith Association
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	Insufficient transparency in public funds management: Lack of simplified form of the state budget, understandable to citizens and easily available, disabled monitoring of the way the budget is implemented in terms of whether it is within the planned budget by quarters, not publishing a semi- annual report on the implementation of the Budget.	
Main objective	Increased transparency in public funds management through: - Presentation of the state budget in simplified form understandable to citizens and easily available. - Informing the public about projected revenues and expenditures at the beginning of the year on a quarterly	



	<p>basis, thus providing an opportunity for analysis and comparison of the implementation of the budget in view of the planned.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Informing the public regarding our semi-annual implementation of the Budget of the Republic of Macedonia</li> </ul>		
Brief description of commitment	<p>Following the adoption of the state budget by the Parliament, the Ministry of Finance will prepare and publish civil budget.</p> <p>A projection of planned revenues and expenditures for the current budget year by quarters will be published at the beginning of the year on the website of the Ministry of Finance. The screening will be done in cooperation with relevant institutions and budget users based on historical data as well as on expectations, announcements and financial plans provided by the budget users.</p> <p>The preparation and adoption of the semi-annual report on the implementation of the budget by the Government will be published on the website of the Ministry of Finance.</p>		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	<p>Approximation of the most important budget document to the citizens and providing additional information to citizens and civil society organizations regarding the design and execution of the state budget will contribute to greater involvement of civil society in monitoring and analyzing the performance of the budget.</p>		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	<p>Reference to the Objective 16. "Peace, justice and strong institutions"</p> <p>Target 16.6: Development of effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels.</p> <p>The measures of this commitment contribute for improvement of transparency and accountability of the public finance managing institutions.</p>		
Relevance	<p>Increasing transparency and accountability in the fiscal sphere.</p>		
Ambition	<p>Expected future continuous publication of the civil budget, the projected income and expenditure and semi-annual report on the implementation of the budget to allow increased access to information regarding public finances.</p>		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>5.1.1 Preparation and publication of the civil budget</b>	Ministry of Finance	After adoption of the Budget of RM	First quarter after adoption of the state budget
<b>5.1.2 Publication of the projection of revenues and expenditures of the state budget for the current year per quarters at the beginning of the year</b>	Ministry of Finance	01/2018	continuous
<b>5.1.3 Publication of semi-annual report regarding the implementation of the state budget on the website of</b>	Ministry of Finance	08/2016	continuous

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5.2 Open Data on Health Programs	
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	Ongoing commitment
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	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups Association for Emancipation, Solidarity and Equality of Women in Macedonia
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	Denied access to information on the spending of funds from the budget of the Ministry of Health intended for health programs.
Main objective	Continuous disclosure and narrative description of the implementation of health programs
Brief description of commitment	In cooperation with Association for Emancipation, Solidarity

	and Equality of Women in Macedonia, Ministry of Health will prepare a standardized report format to be used for publication of data from the realization of budget assets by the Ministry of Health intended for preventive and curative health programs.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Citizen participation		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16. "Peace, justice and strong institutions" Target 16.6: Development of effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels and Objective 4 "Good health and wellbeing" Target 3.8: Achievement of universal health protection including financial risk protection, access to necessary health services and access to secure, effective and quality and affordable basic medicines and vaccines for all. The measures of this commitment contribute for transparency and accountability in spending funds and delivering services aimed for preventive and curative health programs.		
Relevance	Enhancing fiscal transparency regarding the implementation of health programs.		
Ambition	Increased access to information on funds spending for health programs.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>5.2.1 Preparation and publication of semi-annual and annual reports on budget and program implementation of 20 programs for preventive and curative health care financed by the budget of the Ministry of Health with technical assistance and support from the ESE</b>	Ministry of Health/ Association for Emancipation, Solidarity and Equality	ongoing	06/2018
<b>5.2.2 Campaign for providing citizens with information on these data availability and how they can be of their benefit</b>	Ministry of Health/ Association for Emancipation, Solidarity and Equality	07/2018	06/2018

<b>5.3. Creating a legal obligation for the contracting authorities for mandatory publication of information regarding the public procurement contracts on their websites</b>	
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	New commitment
Lead implementing agency	Ministry of Finance/ Public Procurement Bureau

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Other Actors Involved	Government ministries, department/agency	All contracting authorities, Public Procurement Bureau / Ministry of Finance
	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	Civil Communications Center
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		The obligation resulting from the second Action Plan of OGP (2014-2016) to determine the minimum information from public procurement, that contracting authorities should publish on their websites by Bureau's recommendation, is voluntary and is not respected by many contracting authorities. This regards information that provides at least a minimum level of transparency in public spending agreed in consultations (to publish information of contracting authorities on the web sites with a link to EPPS regarding the public procurement contracts, calls for public procurement, annual procurement plan and to fill in the part for ESPN's realized contracts).
Main objective		To provide basic information regarding the public funds spending in a manner and place that can easily be found and understood by citizens. By publishing this information as an obligation for contracting authorities, transparency and accountability of the institution will not depend on the willingness of individuals. Information disclosure on public money spending via public procurement is also a part of the efforts for Open procurement initiative, administered by the World Bank,

	and is similar to the OGP initiative.		
Brief description of commitment	Each contracting authority shall publish the annual procurement plan, information with a link to ESPP regarding public procurement calls and public procurement contracts and must also complete the part for realized contracts of ESPN.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Effective public funds management		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the objective 17 “Target partnership” Target 17.1: Enhancement of the mobilization (collecting) of domestic resources, including through international support for developing countries in order to improve domestic capacities for tax and other revenues collecting, and Objective 16 “Peace, justice and strong institutions” Target 16.6: Development of effective accountable and transparent institutions at all levels. The measures of this commitment contribute for improvement of transparency and accountability of the public finance managing institutions through increase transparency and accountability in public funds management.		
Relevance	Compulsory publication of this information which are now voluntary will increase: - Transparency and accountability of public institutions regarding public money spending; - The degree of awareness of citizens on the manner their money are spent; - Integrity and trust in institutions -Efficiency in public funds management.		
Ambition	All contracting authorities registered on EPPS shall publish this information on their websites, and those who do not have their own website to do so on the website of the institution under whose authority they work.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>5.3.1. Mandatory publication of annual procurement plan on the website of the contracting authority no later than February 15 of the current year as well as updated versions of the plan with amendments during the year</b>	Public Procurement Bureau	07/2017	In continuation
<b>5.3.2. Mandatory publication of public procurement calls by setting a link to the call published on EPPS</b>	Public Procurement Bureau	07/2017	In continuation
<b>5.3.3. Mandatory publication of notices for concluded</b>	Public	07/2017	In continuation

<b>contracts by setting a link to the relevant notices on EPPS</b>	Procurement Bureau		
<b>5.3.4. Mandatory publication of notice for executed contract by setting a link to this notice by EPPS</b>	Public Procurement Bureau	07/2017	In continuation

**5.4. Involving representatives of associations and foundations, as well as other civil society organizations, in transparent and objective manner in sector working groups for planning and programming of IPA 2**

Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)		New commitment
Lead implementing agency		Secretariat for European Affairs
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	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	Interested associations, foundations and their networks
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		Sector working groups set up for IPA 2 planning and programming should be enlarged with involving transparently selected representatives of associations and foundation, to allow civil organizations to take part in the work. Though consultations have been organized with civil organization in preparation of certain draft sector plan documents, they do not provide equal participation of the civil sector in all planning and programming phases of the

	pre-accession support by the EU.
Main objective	Promoting the involvement of civil society in programming of assistance from the pre-accession Instrument (IPA II)
Brief description of commitment	<p>The involvement of civil society in the process of programming is one of the preconditions for implementation of sector approach for IPA 2 and in this regard on the sessions held on 31.03.2015 and 07.14.2015, the Government of RM has adopted and amended the composition of the frame for sector working groups for programming, according to which civil society organizations are included in the composition of sector working groups (if necessary, a decision by the institution running the sector working group).</p> <p>For transparent and legitimate involvement of civil society organizations in the work of the sector working groups, the Secretariat for European Affairs announced a call "Open with civil society," for registration of all interested civil society organizations for consultation and participation in working groups for IPA 2. The list of applicants from civil society organizations is published on our website at the following link: <a href="http://www.sep.gov.mk/nvo-list/">http://www.sep.gov.mk/nvo-list/</a>.</p> <p>Also, based on the list of registered civil society organizations, an indicative overview has been made on the scope of work of registered civil society organizations and their connection with the areas defined by the sector working groups for IPA 2 (attached)</p> <p>In order to increase accountability and ownership in the programming process, the published list of civil society organizations and the indicative overview are delivered to the sector working groups, stating that the possibility of cooperation with other relevant civil society organizations is open.</p> <p>Sector working groups have discretionary right on the method and timetable of consultation with civil society.</p>
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Efficient public resources management
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	<p>Reference to the Objective 16. "Peace, justice and strong institutions"</p> <p>Target 16.6: Development of effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels.</p> <p>The measures of this commitment contribute for improvement of transparency and accountability of the public finance managing institutions.</p>

Relevance	The measure allows citizen participation in the planning and programming of foreign assistance. It will ensure greater legitimacy and inclusiveness of the process of planning and programming of pre-accession assistance through the direct involvement of civil society representatives in the preparation of sector planning documents.		
Ambition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Created new mechanisms for citizen participation in the management of public resources</li> <li>- Application of knowledge and data available to civil society to better identify the key social challenges and how to deal with them</li> <li>- Enhanced mutual trust between the state and civil society as a result of increased transparency and inclusiveness of the process of programming, and improving the quality of democracy</li> </ul>		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>5.4.1. Establishment of a transparent process and objective criteria for involving representatives of associations and foundations in sector working groups</b>	Secretariat for European Affairs / Coordinators of the sector working groups/ civil organization networks/ IPA2 mechanism of Civil organizations Other representatives of civil associations and foundations/networks	07/2016	09/2016
<b>5.4.2. Presentation of the Framework for Coordination of IPA2 after the final comply with EU Delegation</b>	SEA	06/2016	06/2016
<b>5.4.3. Including civil society representatives in the work of sectoral groups by the relevant institutions based on transparent process and objective criteria</b>	Secretariat for European Affairs / Coordinators of the sector working groups/ civil organization networks/ IPA2 mechanism of Civil organizations Other representatives of civil associations and	09/2016	06/2018



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<b>5.5. Publication of data on signed contracts and received assistance through Infrastructure Development Program (ORIO) Netherlands</b>
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Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	Ongoing commitment	
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	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	Association for Emancipation, Solidarity and Equality of Women
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	There is no publicly available information and data on signed contracts and received assistance through the program ORIO funded by the Netherlands which includes R. Macedonia.	
Main objective	Improving transparency of public institutions when receiving and using foreign assistance and loans.	
Brief description of commitment	In the section intended for ORIO Program on its website, the Secretariat for European Affairs, as the competent institution for promoting the ORIO program in R.	

	Macedonia, will publish a list of public institutions from RM that applied for and received funds from ORIO program; will publish agreements signed between the applicant institutions of RM and the Netherlands; will publish the overall application detailing the objectives and the course of projects funded through this ORIO program; will provide information on the status of the project (development phase, implementation phase and maintenance phase) and will publish data on semi-annual basis for a total received and spent funds during the projected period.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Efficient public resources management		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16. "Peace, justice and strong institutions" Target 16.6: Development of effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels. The measures of this commitment contribute for improvement of transparency and accountability of the institutions in foreign assistance management		
Relevance	The measure contributes to increasing the transparency and accountability of public institutions in the management of foreign assistance.		
Ambition	Created new mechanisms for publishing data on foreign assistance management.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>5.5.1. Publication of: a list of public institutions in R. Macedonia which have applied for and received funds from the ORIO program; Contracts signed between applicant institutions of R. Macedonia and the Netherlands; overall application detailing the objectives and the course of the projects funded through this ORIO program; status information of the project (development phase, implementation phase and maintenance phase) and data on semi-annual basis for a total received and spent funds during the projected period.</b>	Secretariat for European Affairs / Association for Emancipation, Solidarity and Equality of Women	07/2016	06/2018

<b>5.6. Introduction of a publicly accessible register of concession contracts</b>	
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	New commitment
Lead implementing agency	Ministry of Economy
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Other Actors Involved	Government ministries, department/agency	
	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	Center for Civil Communication
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		Insufficient access to public information on concluded contracts and concessions, as well as contracts concluded between state institutions and private subjects, as opposed to the existing transparency of concluded public procurement contracts, which are basically.
Main objective		Ensuring a certain degree of transparency for more efficient public funds management
Brief description of commitment		The Ministry of Economy should create a register of concluded contracts and concessions, and make it available with regular updating on its Internet website
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment		Efficient public funds management
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development		Reference to the Objective 16. "Peace, justice and strong institutions" Target 16.6: Development of effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels. The measures of this commitment contribute for improvement of transparency and accountability of the public finance managing institutions as concerns concession granting.

Relevance	Introduction of a concession register and its availability for the public is one of the basic information of open governments worldwide. Effective and transparent management of licenses and concession contract means not only increased transparency and accountability, but foreign investors attraction as well.		
Ambition	Total transparency of the concession contracts following the example of publicly available information on concluded public procurement contracts.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>5.6.1 Publication of a table register consisting of the following data: Name of the concessioner, number and date of the contract, kind of mineral raw material, municipality carrying out concession activities and spread of the concession area.</b>	Ministry of Economy (ME)	07/2016	In continuation

<b>5.7 Increased budgetary fund benefits in preventive and curative health protection for citizens</b>	
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016 – ongoing)	New commitment
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	Public health facilities, executors of the preventive and curative health protection programs
Other Actors Involved	Non-government sector, business subjects, trade unions, economic chambers, associations and foundations
	Emancipation, Solidarity and Equality (ESE) and Open Society Foundation - Macedonia

Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	Spending budgetary funds of the Ministry of Health for services that are not delivered to the citizens. At the same time, differences have been noted between data presented in reports on the program realization in the Ministry of Health and those presented by various executors. Also, differences have been noted between reports and real implementation	
Main objective	Building capacities in the Ministry of Health for application of the social accountability methodology with a technical assistance and support by a non-government organization authorized and trained for implementation of the methodology recognized and accepted in developed countries.	
Brief description of commitment	<p>The social accountability methodologies provide measurement, monitoring, reporting and performance improvement in public institutions. They allow monitoring of the real implementation and benefits for the citizens provided with the implementation of the Ministry of Health's programs.</p> <p>In order to build capacities for the social accountability methodology implementation, the Ministry of Health with technical assistance by a non-government organization authorized and trained for the methodology implementation, will select 10 people from the Ministry of Health and from public health institutions to attend the social accountability training.</p> <p>For piloting one of the social accountability methodologies selected by the MH, the Ministry of Health will select a preventive or curative program and engage the 10 people who have attended the social accountability training to design a plan for the selected methodology piloting and to implement the selected methodology in the selected program.</p>	
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Inspection and evaluation of the budgetary funds spending	
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	<p>Reference to the Objective 3 "Good health and wellbeing" Target 3.8: Achievement of universal health protection including financial risk protection, access to necessary health services and access to secure, effective and quality and affordable basic medicines and vaccines for all and Objective 16 "Peace, justice and strong institutions" Target 16.6: Development of effective accountable and transparent institutions at all levels.</p> <p>The measures of this commitment contribute for transparency and accountability in spending funds and delivering services aimed for preventive and curative health programs.</p>	

Relevance	Ensuring efficacy in budgetary funds spending by the Ministry of Health, that is spending budgetary funds for services that would be really delivered to citizens. Citizens' involvement allowed by this methodology will advance transparency and accountability of the Ministry and other public health institutions, and will contribute for better health resources management.		
Ambition	Citizens can feel benefits of the budgetary fund spending for preventive and curative programs of the Ministry of Health, and the Ministry of Health can reduce spending on services that have not been delivered to citizens.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>5.7.1 Conducting a training for 10 people from the Ministry of Health and from selected public health institutions on the social accountability methodologies implementation</b>	MS/ESE	07/2016	09/2016
<b>5.7.2. Selection of a preventive or curative program that will apply the selected social accountability methodology</b>	MS/ESE	09/2016	12/2016
<b>5.7.3. Designing a piloting plan for the social accountability methodology and its implementation in the selected program</b>	MS/ESE	01/2017	12/2017

<b>5.8. Publication of data on planned and realized domestic and foreign assistance for rural development and agriculture on a quarterly basis</b>	
Start and end date of the commitment (08/ 2016 – ongoing)	New commitment
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	Non-government sector, business subjects, trade unions, economic chambers, associations and foundations	Center of Economic Analysis
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		<p>Insufficient transparency in the public funds management. Nonexistence of concrete information on the amount of funds and measure of the Program for financial support of agriculture in a certain year, paid according the Program, or have been paid according to programs from previous years. Often amendments and supplements to the Program, (sometimes even a day after its adoption), make confusion in respect of data availability and reduced transparency and accountability of the public funds flow. Nonexistence of a mechanism to show concentrated funding in agriculture by location/region.</p>
Main objective		<p>Increased transparency in public finances management, through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Publication of the provided state and foreign assistance according to a ground/measure, by location, amount of state of foreign assistance and according to a Program for financial support</li> <li>- Information available to the citizens on the data accessibility</li> </ul>
Brief description of commitment		<p>Before and after adoption of the Program for financial support in a certain year, the Agency for financial support in agriculture and rural development publishes it on its website, and publish data quarterly information on what amount of funds planned in the previous Program has been realized according to a ground/measure, by location, and amount of provided assistance. Data on the Program realization should are updated quarterly.</p>
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment		Efficient public resource management

Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to Objective 16 “Peace, justice and strong institutions” Target 16.6: Development of effective accountable and transparent institutions at all levels. The measures of this commitment contribute for transparency and accountability in spending funds and delivering services aimed for rural development and agriculture		
Relevance	Increased transparency and accountability in the fiscal sphere		
Ambition	Discipline is expected in the future in publication of public finances utilization and realization, as well as increased awareness of their efficiency and legitimacy.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>5.8.1. Quarterly data publication on the amount of provided state and foreign assistance in agriculture by Program, ground/measure, location.</b>	Agency for financial support in agriculture and rural development	8/2016	In continuation

<b>5.9. Determination of data on state assistance to be published and their publication</b>	
Start and end date of the commitment (08/ 2016 – ongoing)	New commitment
Lead implementing agency	Commission for competition protection (CCP)
Name of responsible person from implementing agency	Malinka Nikolic
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Other Actors Involved	State administration bodies, independent state administration bodies  Agency for financial support in agriculture and rural development, Directorate for technological industrial development zones (DTIRZ), ministries for encouraging foreign investments and other budget users



	Non-government sector, business subjects, trade unions, economic chambers, associations and foundations	Center for Economic Analysis Center for Civil Communications		
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	Insufficient transparency in the public funds management. Nonexistence of concrete information on the amount of funds paid or freed of payment for foreign investments attraction.			
Main objective	Increased transparency in public finances management, through: -Publication of the amount of state assistance for foreign investments (specified on granted and paid) by ground (the company's name will not be published to avoid undermining of the negotiation position of the country with potential companies that would invest in the country).			
Brief description of commitment	Publication of data on all grounds of state assistance for foreign investments (specification of granted and paid on all grounds). Data are published et least once a year without giving the name of the company. Categorized data are published as a minimum by different grounds, with specification of the granted and paid assistance to foreign investors.			
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Efficient public resource management			
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to Objective 16 "Peace, justice and strong institutions" Target 16.6: Development of effective accountable and transparent institutions at all levels. The measures of this commitment contribute for improvement of transparency and accountability of the public finance managing institutions through increase transparency and accountability in public funds management in the field of state assistance for foreign investments.			
Relevance	Increased transparency and accountability in the fiscal sphere.			
Ambition	Discipline is expected in the future in publication of public finances utilization and realization, as well as increased awareness of their efficiency and legitimacy.			
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date	

5.9.1. Publication of data on state assistance amount for foreign investments on all planned grounds	DTIRZ, CCP, ASIPI, ministers for foreign investments	8/2016	In continuation
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6. OPENNESS ON LOCAL LEVEL		
6.1. Developing standards for transparency and open data on local level		
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2017)	New commitment	
Lead implementing agency	Ministry of Local Self-Government	
Name of responsible person from implementing agency	Eli Chakar	
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Other Actors Involved	Government, ministries, department/agency	Ministry of Information Society and Administration Local government units (Skopje, Kumanovo, Veles, Stip, Strumica, Tetovo, Bitola, Struga)
	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	Change Management Center COs at local and regional level
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		Due to nonexistence of transparency standards at the local level, the municipalities' websites differ in the structure and published data. Also, there is no implementation of the Law on Open Data at the local level, though it also applies to the local self-government units. These circumstances do not provide adequate access to data of citizens' interest. Also, there is neither

	<p>predictability in searching data, nor they can be compared or processed.</p>
Main objective	<p>Establishing standards for transparency and open data that will be beneficial for citizens as well as accepted and applied by all local government units.</p>
Brief description of commitment	<p>Data and data sets arising from municipal responsibilities and which should be published on the web sites of all municipalities as well as in open data format will be identified by analyzing the legal framework and consultation with Civil society organizations and municipalities. Training of Civil society organizations for open data use as well as creating network among CSOs, local and central government, in order to ensure applicability and sustainability.</p>
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	<p>Implementation of the measure via wide consultative process, putting new technologies into operation (exclusively electronic publication of data and their processing in an open format) and increasing the benefits for citizens, businesses, local authorities and for the whole community in general.</p>
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	<p>Reference to Objective 16 “Peace, justice and strong institutions” Target 16.6: Development of effective accountable and transparent institutions at all levels. The measures of this commitment contribute for improvement of transparency and accountability of the institutions through establishing transparency standards and their implementation for providing open data at the local level.</p>
Relevance	<p>Pursuant to the Law on Local self-government and other sector laws, Local self-government in the Republic of Macedonia, provides services to citizens in the ten vital areas and thus performs about one hundred and ten functions resulting in direct legal obligations to inform as well as transparent and accountable operation. Information, transparency and accountability of local self-government are the basic principles of good governance at local level, to which Republic of Macedonia is committed to with the ratification of the Additional Protocol for citizen participation in the work of local authorities that entered into force on 01.01. 2016. Macedonia generally has a favorable legal framework for information and consultation of citizens. To allow applicability to full capacity, institutional mechanisms and tools are necessary in order to raise the level of awareness of citizens as well as the transparency and accountability of local authorities.</p>
Ambition	<p>By providing predictable, timely, useful, process able as well as open data on the performance of local authorities at all local self-government units (LGU) will increase the transparency and accountability of LGUs, will encourage</p>

	citizen participation, will increase confidence, will encourage development in general, will increase the usefulness of the entire local community, including a financial benefit from the open data use.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>6.1.1. Analysis of the legal framework regarding the competences of LSG units and information publication on their websites</b>	Center for Change Management (CCM), Ministry of Local-Self (MLS) Government, Ministry of Information Society and Administration (MISA)	07/2016	08/2016
<b>6.1.2. Networks establishment between civil organizations, local and central government in function of standards application and sustainability of their implementation</b>	CCM, MLS, MISA LSU	09/2016	11/2016
<b>6.1.3. Elaboration of standards and protocols for transparency and open data at a local level</b>	CCM, MLS, MISA LSU, CO	09/2016	12/2016
<b>6.1.4. Strengthening capacities for using open data at a local level</b>	CCM, local and regional CO	09/2016	06/2017

<b>6.2. Establishment of new tools to improve financial transparency and accountability of Local self-government units</b>		
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 12/ 2017)		Ongoing activity
Lead implementing agency		Ministry of Local-Self Government
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Other Actors Involved	Government, ministries, department/agency	Ministry of Finance Local self-government units

	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	UNDP Sonja Stefanovska-Trajanoska/Toni Popovski Sonja.Trajanoska@undp.org /Toni.Popovski@undp.org ALSU (Association of Local Self-government Units)		
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	There is a need to ensure institutional and easier access to information regarding local government operation, emphasizing the implementation of public finance.			
Main objective	Providing conditions for greater local government financial transparency.			
Brief description of commitment	Establishing control boards in municipalities as a very accessible way of informing the council members and citizens on key financial data from the operation of municipal and public services, through automatic assuming quarter reports on the budget realization, prepared by the municipal administration and their accessibility to the council members and the public using the control boards.			
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Innovative approaches and tools for easier access to information as well as information processing in a way that will be understood by citizens. Proactive council members and citizens, more open local government.			
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to Objective 16 “Peace, justice and strong institutions” Target 16.6: Development of effective accountable and transparent institutions at all levels. The measures of this commitment contribute for improvement of transparency and accountability of the public finance managing institutions at the local level			
Relevance	Easier access to information encourages participation among citizens and increases confidence. The purpose of information for the council members, as elected representatives by the citizens allows strengthening the control over the implementation of local public finances by the municipal councils, and thus transparency, accountability and responsibility in spending public money.			
Ambition	Higher level of transparency and accountability in the operation of local authorities, conditions for greater control over the spending of public finances as well as quality improvement of public services.			
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date	
<b>6.2.1. Data analysis and identification of the most important indicators in quarterly reports, in consultation with the Council members, administration and CO</b>	UNDP/CSOs /LSG	BO TEK	07/2016	
<b>6.2.2. Establishment of a software solution for the</b>	UNDP	07/2016	12/2016	

<b>control boards and designing a mobile application</b>			
<b>6.2.3. Posting the control board on the municipalities' websites and putting the mobile application into use</b>	UNDP/LSGU	01/2017	12/2017
<b>6.2.4. Implementation of the additional tool (one in each of 6 municipalities) for introducing innovations in the management.</b>	UNDP/CSOs /LSG	05/2017	12/2017

<b>6.3. Improvement of the institutional consultation mechanism at the local level</b>	
Start and end date of the commitment (06/ 2016– 12/ 2018)	New commitment
Lead implementing agency	The Ministry of Local Self-Government
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Other Actors Involved	Government, ministries, department/agency
	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	The Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs Local Self-Government Units
	Research and Policy Creating center (CIKP), ON women Marija Risteska Women's Action - Skopje 070 590 014
	Legal regulation provides bodies and mechanisms (equal possibility commissions, commissions for relations of communities, consumer advice councils, local communities) to enable institutional consultation with relevant subjects about matters in the fields of their competence, before issues are included in the Municipality Council agenda and during certain local policy creating. The bodies are mainly set up at the local level, but they function with a limited

	capacity and results that marginalize their role		
Main objective	Improvement of the mechanism function in institutional consultation at the local level		
Brief description of commitment	Analysis to detect reasons for the existing weaknesses and concrete instruments to be created for strengthened function of these bodies for institutional consultation		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Increased influence of the citizens in the policy creating and right protection of certain categories or groups of citizens, through their direct involvement		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to Objective 16 “Peace, justice and strong institutions” Target 16.7: Ensuring representative decision making at all levels, as a reaction to issues, based on involvement and participation of stakeholders and Objective 5 “Gender equality” Target 5.5: ensuring complete and effective women’s participation and equal possibilities for leadership at all decision making levels in political, economic and public living. The measures of this commitment contribute for improvement of the representative decision making at the local level through a direct participation and protection of rights of women, specific categories or groups of citizens.		
Relevance	Improved function will ensure greater openness of these bodies towards the citizens and their interests, as well as institutional articulation of their interests towards the local authorities that are in charge of their resolution, in a way most convenient to the citizens		
Ambition	Functional bodies and mechanisms for institutional consultation at the local level (equal possibility commissions, commissions for relations of communities, consumer advice councils, local communities) with a direct participation of citizens, to enable local authorities to prevent problems rather than work on their resolution		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>6.3.1 Preparation of equal possibilities action plans in 7 municipalities, created and implemented with civil society participation</b>	MLS, MLSA, WA,	07/2016	12/2016
<b>6.3.2. Development of model for including gender approach in the public involvement in local policy creating through protocols and checking lists, as well as special gender forms for identification of different priorities and needs of men and women.</b>	MLS, ALSU, CO, UN women	07/2016	12/2016
<b>6.3.3. Financial support for 6 municipalities that have accepted institutional mechanism for involvement and consultation with citizens through a grant scheme. (The support will be directed toward definition and implementation of a project in each of 6 municipalities, for social inclusion of marginalized citizen groups, in a</b>	MLS, ALSU, UNDP	12/2017	12/2018

way to integrate gender matters and issues connected with inter-ethnic cooperation and good government in general).			
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6.4. Capacity strengthening for cooperation between the local self-government units and civil organizations		
Start and end date of the commitment (09/ 2016– 12/ 2017)		New commitment
Lead implementing agency		The Ministry of Local Self-Government
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Other Actors Involved	Government, ministries, department/agency	MLS
	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	UNDP, LSU
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		Most of the municipalities still do not have institutional mechanisms and tools for cooperation of the local self-government units (LSU) with civil organizations (COs). The result is insufficiently developed cooperation, particularly in fields of special interest with civil organizations – delivery of services of competence of municipalities by the CO.
Main objective		Establishment of mechanisms for cooperation between the LSU and CO, particularly in the part of service delivery to provide greater financial sustainability of the CO.
Brief description of commitment		Development of mechanisms and tools for transparent funds granting from the municipal budgets for financing CO's projects, design of grant schemes, capacity strengthening of LSU and CO for the funds realization and



	utilization and the process monitoring.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Ensuring transparent budget funds granting to civil organizations, improvement of the financial sustainability of civil organization, providing more quality and more economical services for citizens in an innovative way.		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16 “Peace, justice and strong institutions”, Target 16:6: Development of effective, accountable and transparent institution at all levels. The measures of this commitment contribute for improvement of transparency and accountability in public funds granting at the local level.		
Relevance	Transparent cooperation between the LSU and CO is a precondition for better management at the local level. Establishment of mechanisms and tools creating provide conditions for establishing a practice of institutionalized and predictable cooperation, and increased mutual confidence to encourage participatory and better quality public services.		
Ambition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Established mechanism for granting funds to CO</li> <li>- Strengthened capacities of the local administration and civil organizations for institutional cooperation</li> <li>- Granting funds to CO</li> <li>- Delivery of certain social services of LSU competence to CO</li> <li>- Monitoring of the entire process by the CO</li> </ul>		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>6.4.1. Assessment of the existing mechanisms in the country at the level of the local self-government units for granting public finances to civil organizations, as well as concrete recommendations for their improvement based on experiences.</b>	MLS, LSU, CO, UNDP	11/2016	05/2017
<b>6.4.2. Designing a methodology and tools for financing civil organization from municipal budgets and monitoring of the funds realization.</b>	MLS, LSU, CO, UNDP	11/2016	07/2017
<b>6.4.3. Designing of adapted grant schemes for each selected municipality</b>	MLS, LSU, CO, UNDP	11/2016	07/2017
<b>6.4.4. Capacity development of the local administration and CO in selected municipalities for the public appeal realization.</b>	MLS, LSU, CO, UNDP	03/2017	07/2017
<b>6.4.5. Ensuring social services by civil organizations</b>	MLS, LSU, CO, UNDP	07/2017	07/2019

### 6.5. Monitoring and evaluation of service quality at the local level

Start and end date of the commitment (09/ 2016– 12/ 2017)	New commitment
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Lead implementing agency		The Ministry of Local Self-Government
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Other Actors Involved	Government, ministries, department/agency	MLS, LSU
	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups	UNDP, CO
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		There is still a lack of integrated and standardized measurement system for citizens' satisfaction with services provided by the local self-government units, as well as for monitoring results of service delivery. Taking into account the fact that monitoring and evaluation are the key factors depending on transparency, accountability and responsibility of local government institutions, creation of more direct and standardized feedback relations is one of the objectives in the new Program and Action Plan for sustainable local development and decentralization. Activities to be taken within this commitment will allow citizens to set their goals and priorities, and at the same time the civil sector can monitor success of municipalities in public services providing.
Main objective		Providing a functional and standardized measurement system of the "life quality" in all municipalities (focused on local services), quality monitoring in public service delivery, as well as getting continual insight in citizens' satisfaction with the local level services quality.
Brief description of commitment		Establishment of monitoring and evaluation system in all 81 local self-government units. Ensuring a continual insight in the local level services quality, through capacity strengthening of the civil sector. Conducting annual

	researches of the citizens' satisfaction level with services provided by the local self-government units.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Continual and timely monitoring of life quality in all municipalities in the country through application of standardized indicators, monitoring of public service delivery by municipalities and getting real insight in citizens' satisfaction with local level services quality, in cooperation with the civil sector.		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16 "Peace, justice and strong institutions", Target 16:6: Development of effective, accountable and transparent institution at all levels. The measures of this commitment contribute for improvement of transparency and accountability of local level institutions through a standardized service monitoring system and citizens' involvement.		
Relevance	Establishment of a standardized life quality measurement system in all municipalities will contribute for getting a continual insight in quality of services provided by the local self-government units, and will strengthen monitoring role of municipal councils in municipal administration. On the other hand, measurement of citizens' perceptions of the local services quality will allow the citizens themselves to set their goal priorities (prioritized services), and to assess service delivery by the local self-government.		
Ambition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Established functional and standardized life quality measurement system focused on local services in all municipalities in the country;</li> <li>- Created data base on the life quality in all 81 municipalities in the Republic of Macedonia;</li> <li>- Strengthened capacities of the civil sector for monitoring services provided by the local self-government;</li> <li>- Strengthened monitoring role of municipal councils in municipal administration delivering local level services.</li> <li>- Conducted annual researches of the citizens' satisfaction with the local level services quality.</li> </ul>		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>6.5.1. Definition of life quality indicators; data collecting in municipalities and data base creating for all municipalities</b>	MLS, LSU, UNDP	09/2016	03/2017
<b>6.5.2. Capacity strengthening of all stakeholders (municipalities) for coordination, monitoring and evaluation of quality and efficacy in local service delivery.</b>	MLS, LSU, CO, UNDP	09/2016	12/2017
<b>6.5.3. Organization of trainings (4 workshops) aimed for the municipal administration bodies in charge of monitoring and evaluation, in order to improve their efficacy and knowledge.</b>	MLS, LSU, CO, UNDP	01/2017	12/2017
<b>6.5.4. Capacity strengthening of 30 CO and 3-4 NGO networks for conducting monitoring in municipalities'</b>	MLS, LSU, CO, UNDP	01/2017	12/2017

performance and transparency and accountability promotion in service providing.			
6.5.5. Implementation of two (2) annual researches of the citizens' satisfaction with the local level services quality		MLS, LSU, UNDP	09/2016 09/2017
<b>6.6 Improvement of the local level social services</b>			
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)		New commitment	
Lead implementing agency		The Ministry of Local Self-Government	
Name of responsible person from implementing agency		Eli Chakar	
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Other Actors Involved	State administration bodies, independent state administration bodies	Ministry of Labor and Social Policy PKG "Astibo" – Shtip PKG "13 Noemvri" – Municipality of Center PKG "Detska Radost" – Municipality of Gazi Baba PKG "Buba Mara" – Municipality of Aerodrom PKG "8 Mart" – Municipality of Kisela Voda Министерство за труд и социјална политика	
	Non-government sector, business subjects, trade unions, economic chambers, associations and foundations	Research and Policy Creating center, (CIKP)  Sole Communication Network - DOOEL	
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		Nonexistences of electronic system for communication between pre-school children care institutions (kindergartens) and parents as their services users. Also, kindergartens have not established internal communication electronic system with other clients, which generally reflects to their efficacy and service quality, as well as to their performance transparency and accountability.	
Main objective		Developed platform and capacity building for communication and improvement of effectiveness and efficacy in service delivery by the kindergartens.	
Brief description of commitment		1. Development of a tool (web, mobile and desktop application) containing the following elements:	

	<p>2. Electronic network of all cooperative subjects with the kindergarten</p> <p>3. Electronic communication and service delivery through electronic form application for enrolling kindergartens, daily menu publication, event organization, possibility for citizens to have a direct impact through their comments, suggestions and proposals on the kindergarten WEB site.</p>		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Increased civil involvement, new technologies application, service quality improvement .		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16 “Peace, justice and strong institutions”, Target 16:6: Development of effective, accountable and transparent institution at all levels. The measures of this commitment contribute for improved efficacy, transparency and accountability of the local level institutions in the field of social services.		
Relevance	Direct and active parents’ involvement in the children care process, improved transparency and accountability of the kindergarten for confidence increase.		
Ambition	Direct involvement of citizens in creating and using services provided by kindergartens through establishing electronic communication.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>6.6.1. Creation of a dynamic web platform, development of a mobile and desktop communication application</b>	CIKP, PKG, SoleCN	7/2016	02/2017
<b>6.6.2. Training and raising awareness of employees</b>	CIKP, PKG, SoleCN	01/2017	12/2017
<b>6.6.3. Platform implementation in a real environment</b>	PKG, SoleCN	01/2017	7/2018
<b>6.6.4. Evaluation and implementation</b>	CIKP, PKG	03/2018	06/2018

### 6.7 Improvement of disabled people social inclusion at the local level

Start and end date of the commitment (09/ 2016– 12/ 2017)	New commitment
Lead implementing agency	The Ministry of Local Self-Government
Name of responsible person from implementing agency	Eli Chakar

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Other Actors Involved	State administration bodies, independent state administration bodies	Ministry of Local Self-Government and Ministry of Information Society and Administration Local self-government units
	Non-government sector, business subjects, trade unions, economic chambers, associations and foundations	INKLUZIVA – Association for Inclusive Society Promotion and Development  E-маил: inkluziva@gmail.com  Тел: 076 279 663,076 279 662
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		According to the Law on Local Self-government in RM, any municipality is obliged to provide citizens with an access to basic information on services they provide. Disabled people face with a different kinds of barriers in their everyday activities: entering and using public facilities, public transportation, service using. Web sites of municipalities are not modulated for disabled people’s use (defective vision). Municipalities do not have appointed contact persons for disabled people to ensure easier exercise of their rights and resolution of issues in direct communication with the local administration and local government.
Main objective		Easier access for disabled people to information and services delivered by municipalities
Brief description of commitment		1. Modulation of the municipalities’ websites in order to provide unhindered access to information for disabled people (defective vision).  2. Appointment of a trained person for communication with disabled persons in all municipalities.
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment		Increased social inclusion of disabled people at the local level.
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development		Reference to the Objective 1 “All forms of poverty prevention”, Target 1.3: Implementation of adequate national social protection systems and all inclusion measures to achieve a sustainable coverage of poor and

	vulnerable people by 2030. The measures of this commitment will improve inclusion of disabled people at the local level as a vulnerable group of people.		
Relevance	By the website modulating and appointing a trained person for communication with disabled people, each municipality will provide more information, easier access, efficient and more quality service delivery for disabled users, increased participation and inclusion in local level policy creating, as well as increased confidence in institutions with disabled citizens.		
Ambition	Ensured access to information and services for disabled people in all municipalities in the Republic of Macedonia.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>6.7.1. The official website modulation for providing unhindered access to information for all disabled citizens (defective vision) in each municipality.</b>	LSU	09/2016	09/2017
<b>6.7.2. Publication of a contact list of appointed trained persons for communication with disabled people on the official website of each municipality</b>	LSU	05/2017	12/2017

<b>6.8 Improvement of the local level communal services</b>	
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2018)	New commitment
Lead implementing agency	The Ministry of Local Self-Government
Name of responsible person from implementing agency	Eli Chakar
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Other Actors Involved	State administration bodies, independent state administration bodies
	Local self-government units
	Non-government sector, business subjects, trade unions, economic chambers,
	Sustainable Development Agency Milieucontact Macedonia (MKM) – implementer info@mkm.mk

	associations and foundations	389 2 2460876  Partners: Association of Local Self-government Units, OPM, German International Cooperation Association - GIZ
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		There are not any sufficient tools to provide two-way communication between the local self-government and citizens. The citizens need efficient communication, particularly when it is about communal service delivery issues. Also, there is a need for the local self-government and local public corporations to adjust their operation based on the citizens' needs, as a result to their reaction to a certain problem.
Main objective		Improved quality of services in competence of the local self-government through involving citizens in issues solution.
Brief description of commitment		Establishment of a two-way communication mechanism between citizens and local administration in resolution of issues in competence of the local self-government. As a tool to provide mutual communication, citizen use their smart phones to photograph the problem and forward it through an application directly to the municipality. Citizens also can follow what the competent bodies have done in respect of the issue solution. Once the application has been installed in their smart phones, citizens can have an insight in all reported problems of their interest in the municipality, and can send their reactions to institutions. The system should not only be understood as a way for sending complaints and their solution or not, but also as a possibility for the citizens to be active factors in the area they live and work. Through the smart system for issue reporting, information on the municipal services delivery will be also submitted to consumer organizations which can address municipalities with requests and recommendations in compliance with their legal competences.
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment		Application of innovative tools provides a two-way communication between the local self-government and citizens to the benefit of providing efficient public services.
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development		Reference to the Objective 6 "Ensuring accessible and sustainable water and sanitary services management for all", Target 6.1: By 2030, universal and fair access to be provided to safe and available drinking water and Target 6.2: By 2030, access to adequate and fair hygiene and sanitary services to be provided for all with a special point to the women's and girls' needs in those vulnerable situations.  The measures of this commitments will contribute for improvement of the communal services quality through active citizens' involvement in identification of the needs for sustainable water and communal service use.



Relevance	Improvement of the public services quality through a direct involvement of citizens.		
Ambition	Increased transparency and accountability at the local level, encouraging citizens' involvement and better quality of local public services.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>6.8.1. System development and testing</b>	MKM, ALSU, GIZ	01/2017	12/2017
<b>6.8.2. System implementation in the LSU</b>	MKM, ALSU, GIZ	01/2018	06/2018

<b>6.9 More information for the citizens on the Ombudsman institution</b>	
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 7/ 2017)	New commitment
Lead implementing agency	The Ministry of Local Self-Government
Name of responsible person from implementing agency	Eli Chakar
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Other Actors Involved	Government, ministries, department/agency Ombudsman
	CO, private sector, multi-lateral and working groups CO for citizens' rights protection
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	The Ombudsman institution was established in 1997, with the adoption of the Law on Ombudsman. However, citizens are not sufficiently familiar with its competences and role in their rights protection, particularly in smaller and rural municipalities.

Main objective	Easier access for the citizens to the Ombudsman institution		
Brief description of commitment	Each municipality should post on its website clearly visible link to the Ombudsman's website.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Application of innovative ways and new technologies for easier citizens' access to the Ombudsman institution, for their rights protection in front of the central and local government bodies.		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Reference to the Objective 16 "Peace, justice and strong institutions", Target 16.6: Development of effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels. The measures of this commitment will contribute for improvement of efficacy and transparency of the local institution in the field of human rights protection.		
Relevance	Posting of the link to the Ombudsman will increase the level of information on the Ombudsman institution existence, as well as the citizens' awareness of the possibility for their rights protection in front of the central and local government bodies. In this way, citizens will be informed about the manner of its operation, as well as about the possibility for submitting complaints via e-mail.		
Ambition	Information for the citizens on the possibility for their rights protection in case of a right violation by the municipal bodies.		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>6.9.1. Posting a link to the Ombudsman's website on the websites of the municipalities</b>	Ombudsman, LSU	07/2016	07/2017

7. PUBLIC SERVICES	
7.1 Favorable legal environment for social contracts	
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 6/ 2017)	New commitment
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Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	According to the existing legal regulation, different subjects can offer social services to the community, however, this process has not been developed enough yet. Basically all social services are provided from the central level. In order to improve services for the citizens, more factors need to appear as social service providers, including CO. This model has been practiced in many countries with a developed civil sector, with ensured cooperation with CO, sustainability of CO, as well as service providing in a more efficient way, without any additional binding to human resources. Social entrepreneurship concept in the Republic of Macedonia has not been adequately regulated within the legal system, though some laws and policies provide provisions as a support to future development of the social entrepreneurship. The Law on Civil Associations and Foundations regulates possibilities for the non-government organizations to have business activities, but there is a little exploitation of these opportunities. Many of the non-government organizations possess limited resources and/or face with a donator dependence, which diminishes the possibility for their long-term sustainability.	
Main objective	Improve social services to citizens in Macedonia pursuant to their needs by creating a favorable legal environment for social contracts, and improvement of national legislation and policies by developing mechanisms for social contracts in the field of social protection in the country. Further objective of this measure is to help create an appropriate environment for social entrepreneurship in civil society organizations (CSOs) and to improve their sustainability, financial viability and social impact.	
Brief description of commitment	Creating and improving conditions for social services delivery by creating a model for social contracts in the field of child protection and social services. Solving	

	social problems through creative solutions based on business logic and delivered by non-profit organizations.
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	The introduction of this model provides an innovative approach to improve social services quality delivery by involving CSOs, expanding the scope of social services for marginalized groups, as well as greater financial sustainability of CSOs. On the other hand this measure is improving and facilitating citizens' access to social services and their sustainability.
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	SDG 1 “End poverty in all its forms“ , Target 1.3: To implement national social protection systems and measures to include all and achieve sustainable inclusion of the poor and marginalized until 2030. These measures will improve social services to citizens by improving national legislation.
Relevance	Creation of mechanisms for social services delivery by CSOs will increase trust and cooperation between government institutions and civil society, and contribute to greater use of the possibility for delegating functions / responsibilities and improve the quality of services to citizens. The introduction of this model will improve the capacity of the social security system, involving different stakeholders in the delivery of services, which will directly lead to greater competitiveness and quality in accordance with the specific needs of citizens’ social protection.
Ambition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Elaborated document (action plan) with procedures for effective implementation of social contracts for the upcoming 3 years;</li> <li>- Proposals to improve the legal framework for social protection in the country, in accordance with relevant international standards and regulations, which allows the conclusion of social contracts in the field of social protection;</li> <li>- Preparation of draft bylaws on standards for social services, the proposed procedures for the regulation of social contracts in the field of social protection, as well as establishing conditions and procedure for selection of other social services providers.</li> <li>- Promotion of social contract as a model for improving the social services quality</li> </ul>

	<p>and sustainability of civil society in Macedonia and strengthening inter-sectorial collaboration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Strengthened capacities of 100 CSO representatives, central and local government, institutions and businesses by training for successful implementation of the model of social contracts in the field of social protection.</li> <li>- Establishing business activities and strengthen the social impact of 10 CSOs by re-grant of creative solutions to solve social problems</li> <li>- Improved environment for social entrepreneurship</li> </ul>		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>7.1.1. Develop draft standards for social services delivery by civil society organizations and increase public awareness</b>	MLSP, S.O.S. Detsko Selo , LSGU	07/2016	12/2017
<b>7.1.2. Develop a draft model for Social agreements</b>	MLSP, S.O.S. Detsko Selo	07/2016	12/2017
<b>7.1.3 Proposal for improving the selection process and granting permission for social services delivery to civil society organizations</b>	MLSP, S.O.S. Detsko Selo	01/2017	012/2017
<b>7.1.4. Developing financial mechanisms for granting start-up grants to 10 NGOs for business ideas solving social problems</b>	CRPM, MLSP	04/2017	04/2018
<b>7.1.5. Promote social entrepreneurship and creative solutions to solve social problems</b>	CRPM, MLSP	01/2018	06/2018

<b>8. CLIMATE CHANGES</b>	
<b>8.1 Developing climate policies at national level in a transparent and participatory manner</b>	
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 1/ 2018)	New commitment
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	Non-government sector, business subjects, trade unions, economic chambers, associations and foundations	Macedonian Academy of Sciences and Arts Chamber of Commerce NGOs / CSOs Donors / projects implemented in the area of climate change
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment		Although existing national plans and other national reports on climate change were made in a transparent and participatory manner, there is a need for additional efforts present this issue to wider groups in order to achieve a higher degree of sense of mutual ownership over the results. This will enable a greater implementation of the measures envisaged in the documents.
Main objective		Transparent and participatory development of climate policy at national level
Brief description of commitment		Elaboration of Second bi-annual audited report on climate change through participation of all relevant parties in working groups, public debates and other forms of consultation.
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment		Providing a wide consultative process in the preparation of a strategic document on climate change, which is also submitted to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development		About Target 16,, Peace, Justice and strong institutions, "Target 16.7: Ensure inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making process at all levels and Target 13,, Climate Action" Target 13.2: Integrating measures for climate changes in national policies, strategies and planning  The measures of this commitment contribute to harmonization of national policies with climate change measures and better decision-making by policy makers based on consultation with stakeholders.

	Greater transparency in the process shall enable more informed decision making process on sectorial and local policies.		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will provide a better environment for climate policy development;</li> <li>- Will strengthen existing and create new cooperation mechanisms;</li> <li>- Will ensure availability and possibility of involvement of all relevant parties in the preparation of national documents on climate change to international bodies in order to cover state's obligations to UNFCCC and EU.</li> </ul>		
	Coordinator of activity		
<b>8.1.1. Organize at least three consultative workshops with stakeholders to prepare the second bi-annual audited report on climate change</b>	MEPP	09/ 2016	09/2017
<b>8.1.2. Prepare innovative information materials regarding state's efforts in terms of the Treaty of Paris and the possible national action measures</b>	MEPP	09/ 2016	09/2017

8.2 Open data on climate change at national and local level	
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 1/ 2018)	New commitment
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Other Actors Involved	State administration bodies, independent state administration bodies
	Non-government sector,
	National Hydro meteorological Service National Committee on Climate Change State Statistical Office Administration HMS Local Self-Government  Macedonian Academy of Sciences and Arts

	business subjects, trade unions, economic chambers, associations and foundations	Academic community		
Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	Existing database - GHG inventory will be updated with new data every 2 years. Locally, prepared inventories of greenhouse gas emissions by 8 municipalities in the preparatory phase are inventory for Skopje (which covers all 11 municipalities in Skopje) This measure will contribute to constant upgrade of this data, as well as understanding and easily accessibility in one place - portal <a href="http://www.klimatskipromeni.mk">www.klimatskipromeni.mk</a> .			
Main objective	More transparent and participatory development of climate policy at national level			
Brief description of commitment	Подобрување на квалитетот на информациите поврзани со климатските промени и нивната анализа			
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Providing open access to national databases on amounts and sources of greenhouse gas emissions at national and local level; information and data on climate change effects including relevant climate scenarios; information and data on climate change mitigation.			
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Target 13:., Climate Action "Target 13.2: Integrating measures on climate change into national policies, strategies and planning The measures of this commitment contribute to the harmonization of national policies with climate change measures and better decision-making by policy makers based on consultation with stakeholders			
Relevance	Data on climate change should be available in one place, be in a form that is understandable to general public and will enable greater citizen participation in policy making as well as open up opportunities for transfer and application of new technologies and innovations.			
Ambition	-will provide improved systems for collecting relevant data; -Will improve quality of the collection and analysis of data; -Will strengthen national capacity to address climate change; -Will improve the quality of reporting to the UNFCCC and the EU;			
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date	
<b>8.2.1 Revision of national inventory of greenhouse gas emissions by supplementing the data series (1990-2012) with 2013 and 2014.</b>	MEPP	07/ 2016	12/2016	



<b>8.2.2 Improving the quality of national GHG inventory</b>	MEPP	07/ 2016	12/2016
<b>8.2.3 Providing free access to national inventory of greenhouse gases</b>	MEPP	01/2017	09/2017
<b>8.2.4 Strengthening the capacity of relevant parties in order to ensure regular collection of data related to climate change and their sharing</b>	MEPP	09/ 2016	06/2017
<b>8.2.5 Providing free access to GHG inventory at local level in 8 municipalities and the City of Skopje</b>	Municipalities City of Skopje	09/ 2016	12/2016

<b>8.3. Ensuring private sector accountability and involvement in national climate change action</b>		
Start and end date of the commitment (07/ 2016– 1/ 2018)		New commitment
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Other Actors Involved	State administration bodies, independent state administration bodies	National Committee on Climate Change Government of RM
	Non-government sector, business subjects, trade unions, economic chambers, associations and foundations	Macedonian Academy of Sciences and Arts Chamber of Commerce NGOs / CSOs Donors / projects implemented in the area of climate change

Status quo or problem addressed by the commitment	Ministry of Environment and Physical Planning collects information from industry in writing through several types of questionnaires regarding different segments related to environmental pollution. EMI software for monitoring emissions from industry is prepared with support by United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and the Global Environmental Facility-GEF, but start of the requests adjustment of bylaws documents.		
Main objective	Measures to ensure accountability and involvement of private sector in national climate change action.		
Brief description of commitment	Improving the legal framework concerning private sector and climate change.		
OPG challenge addressed by the commitment	Establishing appropriate legal and regulatory framework from the private sector for delivery of data relevant to climate change.		
Reference to the global objectives of sustainable development	Target 13,, Climate Action "Target: 13.3 Improving education, raising awareness, human and institutional capacities for climate change mitigation, adaptation, reducing the impact and early warning The measures of this commitment contribute to raising awareness, responsibility and involvement in national climate change action.		
Relevance	This measure will connect all information the Ministry requires from the industry in electronic form; it will facilitate reporting and improve quality of collected data related to air pollution and climate change.		
Ambition	Will improve reporting, monitoring and verification of data which the Ministry of Environment and Physical Planning requires from industry - Will strengthen cooperation with private sector - Will provide support for reporting to UNFCCC and EU		
Milestone	Coordinator of activity	Start date	End date
<b>8.3.1. Preparation of guidelines for software for emission monitoring from industry Emission Monitoring from Industry sector (EMI) software upgraded</b>	MEPP	07/ 2016	09/2017