What is Open Government Partnership (OGP)?

Open Government Partnership was founded in 2011 upon the initiative of the Presidents of the USA and Brazil. It aims to enhance the transparency, accountability and efficiency of participating governments. Georgia joined OGP in 2011. Currently, OGP comprises 64 states.

How does OGP work?

The OGP is governed by the Steering Committee consisting of the equal number of government and non-governmental organization representatives.

In 2014 partner governments elected Georgia as a member of the Steering Committee. The Minister of Justice represents the government of Georgia in the Committee.

The member states of this initiative elaborate National Action Plans and present self-assessment reports in close cooperation with the civil society.

National Action Plan of Georgia

2014-15 Action Plan of Georgia was elaborated within the framework of the Open Government Georgia's Forum. Forum is the national coordination mechanism, administered by Ministry of Justice of Georgia, consisting of the representatives of the state agencies, non-governmental and international organizations.

Broad society was engaged in the process of drafting the Action Plan through the countrywide public consultations, conducted in 15 towns of Georgia.

Initiatives implemented within the framework of OGP:

- Government agencies publish public information proactively;
- E-requests of public information are operational;
- List of public officials responsible to file asset declarations was expanded;
- Citizen's portal www.my.gov.ge was created.

27 commitments of 2014-15 Action Plan of Georgia include:

- Drafting the Freedom of Information Act of Georgia;
- Creating the electronic petitions system;
- Launching the open data portal www.data.gov.ge;
- Elaborating objective rules for civil service recruitment;
- Creating the system for monitoring of asset declarations of public officials;
- Disclosing the court statistics on secret surveillance;
- Developing Community Centers;
- Modernizing public libraries;
- Establishing effective mechanism to inform the public on budgetary processes and actively engage citizens.

Fundamental principle of OGP is citizen engagement in governance

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