

## OPEN GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP EXPERT ADVISORY PANEL MEETING MINUTES

**Date / time:** Wednesday 27 July, 1-3 pm

**Venue:** The Ministry for Women  
Level 9, Qual IT House  
22 The Terrace, Wellington

**Present:** Al Morrison (chair), Lillian Grace, Deborah Mahuta-Coyle, Suzanne Snively, Fuimaono Tuiasau

**Apologies:** Miriam Lips

### AGENDA ITEMS

1. Welcome
  - Update on the team and panel changes
  - Summary from previous meeting and general updates
2. Engagement programme updates
3. Drafting the plan & emerging themes
4. Other Business
5. Wrap up and next steps

#### Item 1

**Update on the team:** The panel was advised that Tim Blackmore will be leaving SSC on 5 August. The panel thanked and formally acknowledged his contribution and dedication to his work on the OGP.

Introductions were made for new panel member Deborah Mahuta-Coyle.

**Summary from previous meeting:** The group discussed the challenge of delivering a National Action Plan by October and noted that an officials group has been convened to coordinate government input.

#### Members noted:

- Information from the recent OGP regional dialogue has produced a comparative analysis of member country developments.
- The panel discussed options for online engagement, including Twitter, blogs, Facebook, the SSC and engage2 websites, and tools for online engagement such as those provided by the Government Online Engagement Service (GOES) and software that allows online comment and discussion of possible themes.

#### Item 2

**Engagement programme update:** Workshops are being organised in Auckland, Christchurch and Wellington on August 17, 23 and 26 respectively. There will be other opportunities at conferences and meetings in upcoming weeks to raise awareness and seek engagement – these include the OS / OS Conference, GovHack meetings, and SOLGM (New Zealand Society of Local Government Managers) workshops. The group also discussed providing support to other organisations interested in hosting OGP-themed events.

#### Item 3

**Drafting the plan & emerging themes:** The panel discussed the best ways to collaboratively develop a focused set of five to seven commitments for the next action plan with a focus on getting the engagement as broad as possible given the time and resource constraints. There is a need to balance direct engagement

with those who have participated in previous NAP development with general opportunities for the wider public.

- Feedback to date includes some strong criticism. Respondents want assurance the process will be transparent and that it is a co-creation exercise, with follow-up.
- Online engagement will feed into to wider forum discussions. Feedback gathered will inform a co-creation workshop in Wellington where government and OGP stakeholders will work together to develop priorities and actions
- Collaborative drafting with New Zealand communities of themes and commitments will take place through online and in-person workshops with facilitation through engage2. The officials group will shape possible commitments at the same time.
- Teleconferences will be used to discuss different issues and help to share information throughout the process.
- Government agencies may be able to advise on current work that could contribute to this process
- Panel members asked for a segmented stakeholder's list to review for ease of use.

#### **Item 4**

**Other business:** Proposed future meeting dates and member availability were discussed.