

The Open Government Partnership (launched in 2011) is a multi-layered, multilateral organisation that aims to secure concrete commitments from governments to promote transparency, empower citizens, fight corruption, and harness new technologies to strengthen governance. OGP is governed by a Steering Committee including representatives of governments and civil society organisations. Plans are reviewed by an independent reviewer appointed through the Independent Reporting Mechanism Directorate.

To date, 70 countries have signed up to OGP. They have committed to:

1. endorsing the high-level Open Government Declaration
2. delivering country national action plans developed with public consultation and
3. independent review of their progress.

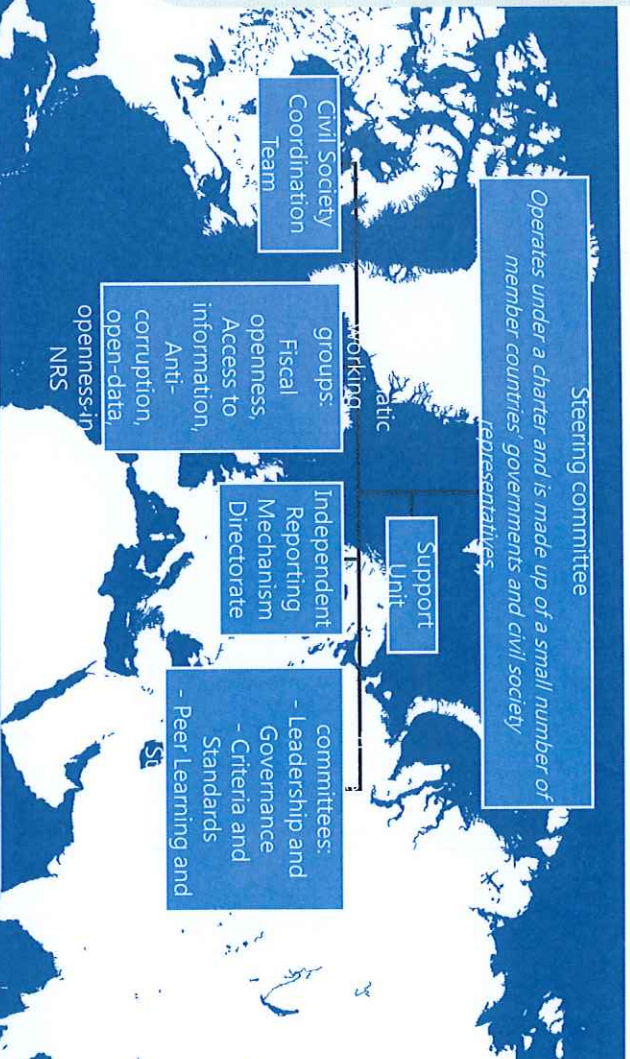
OGP guiding principles

- ❖ Transparency
- ❖ Citizenship participation
- ❖ Accountability
- ❖ Technology and Innovation

OGP grand challenges

1. Improving public service
2. Increasing public integrity
3. More effectively managing public resources
4. Creating safer communities
5. Increasing corporate accountability

OGP International organisation



Key dates

- September 2011 - OGP launched
- October 2014 - First NZ National Action Plan published
- January 2016 - NZ finalised mid-term self assessment
- July-October 2016 - Engage and consult, prepare and finalise 2016-18 NZ Action Plan
- July-September 2016 - Complete the 2014-16 end of cycle self-assessment
- October 2016 - 2016-18 NZ Action Plan due for submission
- December 2016 - Global OGP Summit - Paris, France

New Zealand

New Zealand has committed to the OGP and has published a National Action Plan that highlights its commitments to open government and must publish a second by October 2016.

SSC's role is to coordinate the OGP work with New Zealand government agencies and to lead engagement with civil society, business and others through its Expert Advisory Panel and a government officials group.

SSC also maintains the point of contact with the OGP International body on behalf of New Zealand.