EITI in Asia: Building capacity for impactful implementation
MSG members and National Secretariats
EITI Implementing Countries in South-East Asia and the Pacific
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25-27 October 2017

Time	Session	Resource Persons
25 October		
08:30-09:00	*Arrival and registration*	
09:00-09:40	**Opening session** **Welcome remarks** **Introduction:** ▪ Introduction of participants and facilitators ▪ Explanation of the agenda for the day ▪ Setting expectations for the workshop	• *Facilitated by: Gay Ordenes, Regional Director, EITI International Secretariat* • *Fredrik Reinfeldt, EITI Chair* • *Asst Sec. Ma. Teresa M. Habitan, Department of Finance, the Philippines* • *Sheila Khama, Extractives Practice Manager, the World Bank*
09:40-11:00	**Session 1: Linking national EITI objectives and EITI reports** *"How to produce EITI reports that inform policies in the extractive sector"* The aim of this session is to identify and share objectives for EITI implementation across countries, and explore how these objectives reflect national priorities for the extractive sector. This discussion will also emphasise the importance of identifying objectives and priorities in order to ensure that EITI Reports contain the relevant information to address these objectives. *Session output: A list of priority issues for each country.*	• *Facilitated by Gay Ordenes, Regional Director, EITI International Secretariat* • *Contribution by EITI Board member Zainab Ahmed, Minister of Budget, Nigeria.* • *Contribution by EITI Board member Dani Kaufmann (TBC) on the outcomes of the RGI for South East Asia and the Pacific*
11:00-11:15	*Break*	
11:15-12:15	**Observing the EITI Board meeting** National Coordinators and MSG members are invited to observe the EITI Board meeting discussion.	
12:15-13:15	*Lunch*	
13:15-15:15	**Session 2: From reports to reforms: formulating country strategies**	

	"How to leverage EITI Reports for reforms in sector governance" The session aims to facilitate discussions among countries regarding specific strategies that are needed to operationalize the identified priorities in the previous session. This would include identifying stakeholder engagement needs, undertaking capacity gaps and resource assessment, identifying action points, activities and timeframes to deliver on the opportunities identified, and prioritising which issues to focus on. The session will also include a discussion on how to leverage EITI reports towards improved sector reforms. The aim of this session is to identify how to use the EITI process to formulate recommendations for reform. It also aims to discuss methods of monitoring EITI implementation, ensuring continuous improvement, capturing impact and reflecting these in the Annual Progress Reports. Participants will be asked to review the recommendations from their countries and assess their progress and challenges in implementing them. *Session outputs:* *A clear strategy for more impactful EITI implementation in each country.* *A list of examples of impact for each country that they have seen from their implementation and that they could aim for.*	• *Faciliated by **Nathaniel P. Adams**, Consultant, World Bank* • *Inputs from **Karla Espinosa**, Head of Secretariat, Philippines EITI*
15:15-15:30	*Break*	
15:30-16:30	**Session 3: Breakout sessions for constituencies** **Session A - National Coordinators and Implementing Country constituency/government representatives: How to operationalize the EITI Implementing Country Guidelines for Coordination and Information-Sharing?** The aim of this session is to raise awareness and ownership among the Implementing Countries (IC) of mutual commitments to strengthen the Sub-Constituency's voice at the EITI Board, and available resources to support this effort. Topics to be covered include: - Background, Objectives and key Principles of the Guidelines consultatively developed by the IC Sub-Constituency; - Implementing the Guidelines: Status and Plans for ongoing consultations on high-priority issues: (1) MSG Governance and (2) the development of	• *Session A: Faciliated by **Michele Ferenz**, Consensus Building Institute and Sridar P. Kannan, Consultant, World Bank* • *Inputs from **Asst. Sec. Teresa Habitan**, Implementing Country Representative to the Board*

	Constituency Guidelines for Board Representation and associated key issues for effective governance of EITI international; - Tools and capacity building for implementation of the Guidelines: presentation of the dedicated IC virtual platform and brief overview of training resources for multi-stakeholder dialogue and decision-making *Session output:* *An action plan mutually agreed and owned by IC members for embedding the said Guidelines into regional group work* **Session B - Company representatives: How to address concerns and make progress on beneficial ownership transparency?** The aim of this session is to discuss company concerns and challenges related to beneficial ownership disclosure. It will also be an opportunity to share lessons learnt, challenges and good practices in terms of outreach, awareness raising and guidance to companies in order to ensure effective implementation of beneficial ownership transparency. Topics to be covered include: - What are the common concerns of companies with regards to beneficial ownership disclosure? How can these be addressed? - What role can the regulator, SOEs, industry associations and others play in ensuring engagement with industry? - What are the best practices in terms of developing industry guidelines for beneficial ownership reporting? **Session C – Civil society representatives: How to ensure accountability to wider constituents?** For civil society to be influential in the EITI process, it is essential that its representatives on the MSG are seen as credible, legitimate and genuine representatives of their constituency. One important way to foster a strong civil society voice is therefore to ensure that MSG representatives regularly liaise with and make themselves accountable to their wider constituency. This session will aim at discussing some of the practical challenges that MSG representatives face when engaging with CSOs and local communities outside in extractive areas. Participants will have an opportunity to review lessons learnt from other countries while also identifying some good practices that they can put in place upon their return.	• *Session B: Facilitated by **Gay Ordenes**, Regional Director, EITI International Secretariat* • *Inputs from **Francis Ballesteros** (TBC) Chamber of Mines Philippines* • *Session C: Facilitated by **Asmara Klein**, Global Initiatives and Impact Coordinator, Publish What You Pay* • *Inputs from **Cielo Magno** (TBC), CSO representative to the EITI Board*
16:30-21:00	**PHEITI exhibit and EITI Reception**	Hosted by the government of the Philippines for the 38th Board meeting

	The Philippine EITI will conduct a forum on subnational transparency, highlighting how they have piloted mainstreaming for subnational payments. Short presentations will be given by members of the MSG to stimulate discussions from the audience. After the forum, the Philippine Government is hosting a reception for Board members, observers and participants to the regional workshop.	
	26 October	
09:00-10:00	**Session 4: Recognizing impact** Country representatives will present to the EITI Board some impacts from EITI implementation in their countries	• *Chaired by **Asst. Sec. Teresa Habitan**, EITI Board member, Department of Finance, Philippines* • *Contributions by: Philippines, Mongolia, PNG. Other countries from the region will join the panel after the presentations.*
10:10-10:15	Overview and recap of the previous day	• *Lucas Aklan, National coordinator, PNG*
10:15-11:15	**Session 5: How to use the EITI Standard to improve extractive sector governance (Part I)** The aim of this session is to explore and discuss challenges in meeting the EITI requirements for countries in the region, as well as highlight good practices and how these requirements can contribute to reforms. The International Secretariat will highlight the areas of concern that are relevant for countries attending through exploring selected topics and country case studies: Topics to be discussed: ▪ **State participation and State-Owned Enterprises** (Requirements 2.6, 4.2. 4.5, 6.2) ▪ **Sub-national payments and transfers** (4.6, 5.2), *Session output: Identified challenges in interpreting the Standard and actions to address these challenges.*	• *Facilitated by **Ousmane Demé**, Operations Officer, World Bank* • SOEs: Contributions by **Henrique Monteiro** (TBC), Finance Director, Timor Gap (Timor-Leste) and **Yuyuge Esther**(TBC), Senior Economist, Kumul Petroleum Holdings (Papua New Guinea) • Subnational payments: Contributions by **Tsolmon Shar** (TBC), National Coordinator, EITI Mongolia and **Anna Bonagua** (TBC), Director of Interior and Local Government, Philippines
11:15-11:30	*Break*	
11:30-12:30	**Session 5(a): Emerging global issues - Project-level reporting (4.7)** **"How to transition to EITI's requirements for project-level reporting"**	• *Facilitated by **Gay Ordenes,** Regional Director, EITI International Secretariat* • Contributions by EITI Board members **Ana Carolina Espinosa** (TBC),

	The aim of this session is to explain the importance and concept of project level reporting, as well as the EITI Board's recent decision regarding transitioning to project level reporting. The participants will be asked to examine their current reporting systems with a view to identify a definition of project, discuss potential challenges in reporting by project, and discuss next steps.	Universidad Externado de Colombia, on the importance of project level reporting for civil society, and **James Ensor** (TBC)**,** Executive Director, BHP Billiton Foundation on the companies' experience with such reporting.
12:30-13:30	*Lunch*	
13:30-14:30	**Session 5(b): Emerging global issues – beneficial ownership transparency (2.5)** **"How to achieve beneficial ownership transparency by 2020?"** The aim of this session is to review the new EITI provisions on beneficial ownership and provide opportunities for participants to discuss progress and challenges in the implementation of their BO roadmaps specifically on the following: • Defining beneficial ownership • Legal framework • Data verification *Session output: List of best practices on BO roadmap implementation in the region*.	• *Facilitated by **Erica Westenberg, Director of Governance** (TBC), NRGI* • *Contribution by Board member **Oleksiy Orlovski** (TBC) (Renaissance Foundation, Ukraine) and **Edi Effendi**, Team Leader, EITI Indonesia*
14:30-16:00	**Session 5(c): Emerging global issues - Mainstreaming** **"How to move from transparency through EITI reports to transparent government systems?"** The aim of this session is to discuss EITI's efforts in mainstreaming, share best practices across the region and encourage mainstreaming of extractives data. Following initial presentations, the session will feature breakout groups based on the stakeholder constituencies (government, CSOs, and industry) who will discuss and report back with the challenges, issues and preparations to be made by their respective constituency to ready themselves for EITI mainstreaming in their country. *Session output: (i) Concrete steps from each country on how to approach mainstreaming; (ii) A list of challenges/issues, and actions contemplated by each stakeholder constituency to mainstream EITI. The list will help inform future support to EITI mainstreaming.*	• *Facilitated by **Sam Bartlett**, Technical Director, International Secretariat Contributions by:* • ***Boris Raeder** (TBC), EITI Germany* • ***Elda Guterres da Silva,** National Coordinator, Timor-Leste EITI.*
16:00-16:15	*Break*	

16:15-17:15	**Session 6: 2016 EITI Standard – Validation procedures** ***"How to prepare for Validation and use the outcomes from Validation to drive reforms"*** This session will provide an overview of the new Validation procedure and explain steps on how to prepare for Validation. Philippines would share their experience with the Validation. Timor-Leste and Solomon Islands would be invited to contribute.	• *Facilitated by **Alex Gordy**, Validation Manager, EITI International Secretariat* • *Contribution by **Mark Pearson** (TBC), Chair of the EITI Validation Committee* • *Inputs from **Karla Espinosa**, Philippines EITI, **Elda Guterres** (TBC) Timor-Leste EITI **Vincent Obimae** (TBC) Solomon Islands EITI and **Tsolmon Shar** (TBC), EITI Mongolia, on their experience from Validation*
17:15-17:30	Wrap-up	• *Facilitated by **Gay Ordenes, Regional Director**, EITI International Secretariat*
	Free Night	
	27 October	
08:45-09:00	*Introduction – overview of the previous day*	• ***Tsolmon Shar** (TBC), National Coordinator, EITI Mongolia*
09:00-10:00	**Session 6 continued: How to prepare for Validation and use the outcomes from Validation to drive reforms?** The objective of the session is to discuss how Validation can be used to drive reforms in the sector. Mongolia, Philippines and Timor-Leste will be asked to share their experience.	• *Facilitated **by Alex Gordy**, Validation Manager, EITI International Secretariat*
10:00-11:00	**Session 7: How to use the EITI Standard to improve extractive sector governance (Part II)** The aim of this session is to explore and discuss challenges in meeting the EITI requirements for countries in the region, as well as highlight good practices and how these requirements can contribute to reforms. The International Secretariat will highlight the areas of concern that are relevant for countries attending through exploring selected topics and country case studies: Topics to be discussed • **Licensing (2.3 and 2.3),** • **Revenue management (5.3)-**	• *Facilitated **by Dyveke Rogan**, Policy Director, EITI International Secretariat* • *Licensing:* contributions by **U Win Htein** (TBC) – Director General of Department of Mines and MSG Vice Chair, EITI Myanmar and **Edi Effendi**, Team Leader, Indonesia EITI Secretariat • *Revenue management:* Contribution by **Sabino Gosmao Fitun** (TBC), Core Group Transparency, Timor Leste

11:00-11:15	*Break*	
11:15-12:15	**Session 8(a): Key constraints to national MSG operations** *"How to ensure that systems and institutions support the efficient delivery of EITI operations"* The aim of this session is to share experiences and feedback from MSG members from the region on the key process challenges affecting their effective functioning and decision-making. This session will draw from prior consultations on national MSG governance carried out between September and mid-October 2017. An important topic addressed will be on barriers for effective outreach by MSG members to the constituencies they represent. *Session outputs:* • Identified constraints for each constituency with respect to MSG governance, collaboration and coordination. • Action Plan to remedy the constraints identified (for action by National Coordinators and MSG members, or by International Secretariat or World Bank or others).	• Facilitated by **Morten Larsen**, Senior Mining Specialist, The World Bank
12:15-13:15	*Lunch*	
13:15-14:15	**Session 8 (b): Key constraints to implementing EITI** *"How to ensure that the basic processes for implementing the EITI standard are carried out effectively"* Based on the experience of the World bank in supporting EITI implementation in the region, this session will involve the presentation of 3-4 common challenges faced by National EITI coordinators and MSG members in operationalizing EITI implementation, including: - Realistic and adequately funded workplans - Senior-level support within national institutions - Timeliness in implementation of annual activity plans The session will be followed by a plenary discussion on the constraints identified. *Session outputs:* Country-wise breakout groups will re-examine their work plans in view of the constraints identified and actions advised, and arrive at priority actions required for effective EITI implementation	• *Facilitated by* **Morten Larsen**, Senior Mining Specialist, The World Bank

14:15-14:45	**Session 9: Introduction to the EITI Implementer's Portal** The session aims to provide an orientation to participants on how to use the EITI Implementer's portal and discuss existing guidance notes and documents from the portal that they can utilize to improve implementation.	• Facilitated by ***Shemshat Kasimova,*** *Asia Programme Coordinator, International Secretariat*
14:45-15:15	**Session 10: Synthesis of the workshop and agreement on next steps** The aim of the session is to summarize key action points from the sessions and gather feedback on how to improve implementation support, e.g. suggested topics for webinars, effective methods for peer learning, need for additional guidance notes, etc.	• *Facilitated by **Shemshat Kasimova,** Asia Programme Coordinator, International Secretariat and **Alves Jordao de Araujo Octavio Almerindo,** Communications Officer, EITI Timor-Leste*