

EITI Regional Workshop Latin America and the Caribbean MSG members and National Secretariats

Hotel Real Intercontinental, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
28-30 November 2017

Tuesday 28 November

8.00 – 9.30	<p>Industry Breakfast hosted by Cámara Minera Petrolera de República Dominicana (CAMIPE). CAMIPE is the mining industry chamber in the Dominican Republic.</p> <p>Industry representatives from all delegations are invited to sharing experiences with colleagues across the region</p> <p>Venue: Hotel Real Intercontinental</p>
10.00 – 11.00	<p>Welcome and Introduction</p> <p>Opening remarks by Alberto Reyes, Vice Minister of Hydrocarbons, Dominican Republic</p> <p><u>Session 1: Extractives and transparency - Trends & challenges</u></p> <p>This session will focus on the key trends and challenges inspiring our work on extractive industry governance.</p> <p>Panel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chaired by Vilma Arbaje, National Coordinator of Dominican Republic EITI• Carlos A. Cante Puentes, Vice Minister of Mines of Colombia• Sven Renner, Program Manager Extractives Global Programmatic Support - World Bank• Marvin Flores, Acción Ciudadana, Guatemala• Eduardo Rubio, Peru-EITI National Commission.
11.00 – 11.15	Coffee Break

11.15 – 12.30

Session 2: EITI implementation goals (achieved and future)

This session is an opportunity for all participants to clarify and refine the workshop agenda. EITI work plans for 2018 will be used to guide discussions. A key focus will be the extent to which the work plan objectives and activities are aligned with national priorities.

- **Fernando Castillo, National Coordinator of EITI Peru**, will present the regional/subnational pilots of EITI in Peru as a response to public concerns.
- **Bernardo Lesser Hiriart, Technical Secretary of EITI Mexico**, will introduce what Mexico expects to achieve with implementation of EITI, including the socio-environmental aspects that the MSG has agreed to include in the work plan.

Participants will break out in to groups to discuss the following issues: (i) identification of the main benefit or impact that EITI has achieved for your country to date, (ii) what objectives should the EITI focus on in the future? and (iii) what are the main activities or actions to be implemented in 2018 to achieve these objectives?

Moderator: **Javier Aguilar, World Bank**

12.30 - 13.30 Lunch

13.30 – 15.00

Session 3: Resources for EITI implementation and financial sustainability

- **Patricia Gamba, National Coordinator of EITI Colombia**, will share the Colombian case regarding (i) financial and human resources, and (ii) a digital platform being used to speed up and reduce cost of reporting.

Each country delegation will work together to summarize its situation regarding budget and funding sources. A member of each delegation will be asked to share a summary, noting any funding gaps in the short to medium term.

Moderator: **Santiago J. Dondo, EITI International Secretariat**

15.00 – 15.30

Session 4: Lessons Learned from the 2016 & 2017 Validations

This session will address the main questions around the Validation process and how Validation can be used to strengthen implementation.

Moderator: **Francisco Paris, EITI International Secretariat**

15.30 – 15.45 Coffee Break

15.45 – 17.00

Session 5: EITI in the Philippines, a story of success

Maria Karla Espinosa, National Coordinator EITI Philippines, will share lessons from implementation in Philippines, including the recent Validation process.

17.00 – 17.30

Close of day and main conclusions

From 19.00

Cocktail hosted by Ministry of Energy and Mines, Dominican Republic

Presentation of EITI Report and Portal

Venue: Hotel Real Intercontinental

Wednesday 29 November

9.00 – 10.45

Session 6: Outlook for the EITI – Mainstreaming

This session will focus on the opportunities and challenges associated with EITI mainstreaming. In 2016, the EITI Standard was revised to encourage and recognise countries that make transparency an integral and routine feature of their governance and management systems. EITI implementing countries are increasingly making the information required by the EITI Standard available through government and corporate reporting systems (databases, websites, annual progress reports, portals etc.). This has the potential to increase the effectiveness of the EITI, while lowering the cost of implementation.

Panel:

- **Sam Bartlett, EITI International Secretariat**
- **Javier Aguilar, World Bank**
- **Juan Cruz Vieyra, Inter-American Development Bank**

10.45 – 11.00 **Coffee Break**

11.00 – 12.30

Session 7: Mainstreaming in practice

This session will provide examples of EITI mainstreaming in practice, with case studies from Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Norway, Mexico and the Philippines.

- Dominican Republic: **Juan Cruz Vieyra, Aida Peña, BID/EITI-RD**
- Norway: **Sam Bartlett**
- Mexico: **Bernardo Lesser Hiriart**
- Philippines: **Abigail Ocate, Technical Manager EITI Philippines**
- Colombia: **Patricia Gamba**

Moderator: **Francisco Paris, EITI International Secretariat**

12.30 - 13.30 **Lunch**

13.30 – 15.45

Session 8: Parallel sessions on EITI Requirements – Technical issues and mainstreaming

Participants will be divided into four groups to explore key aspects of EITI implementation.

- MSGs in a mainstreamed world: **Francisco Paris, EITI International Secretariat**
- Licensing and cadastres: **Javier Aguilar, World Bank**
- Revenue transparency, materiality and reconciliation: **Sam Bartlett, EITI International Secretariat**

- Revenue allocation/use: **Juan Cruz Vieyra, Inter-American Development Bank**

15.45 – 16.00 **Coffee Break**

16.00 – 17.30 **Session 9: Action plans for mainstreaming**

Each country delegation will work on a preliminary analysis of mainstreaming opportunities in their country. Each group should identify the most important opportunities to mainstream disclosures, including addressing any legal, capacity and funding constraints.

Vanessa Sabajo, from the Suriname National Secretariat and Diane Barker, from the Guyana National Secretariat will summarize the mainstreaming pre-feasibility analysis for their countries.

Moderator: **Santiago J. Dondo, EITI International Secretariat**

18.45-22.00 **EITI Dinner – Jalao Restaurant (transport from and back to hotel is provided)**

Thursday 30 November

9.00 – 10.30

Session 10: EITI outcomes & impact

The EITI requirements related to outcomes and impact seek to ensure that stakeholders are engaged in dialogue about natural resource revenue management. EITI Reports lead to the fulfilment of the EITI Principles by contributing to wider public debate. Turning recommendations into reforms, and monitoring that we are achieving our goals, is what the EITI is all about. These opportunities for reforms in the sector are often highlighted in the recommendations from Validation.

Drawing from implementation goals and national priorities, as identified in Day 1 of training, this session will focus on how to monitor and evaluate the progress made in achieving those goals.

- **Karen Aparicio, German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ)**, to explain a tool to monitor and evaluate, illustrating with real cases
- **María Karla Lee, National Coordinator EITI Philippines**, will speak on how Philippines ensured the EITI was used and followed recommendations from the EITI process

Moderator: **Sam Bartlett, EITI International Secretariat**

10.30 – 10.45

Coffee Break

10.45 – 12.30

Session 11: EITI outcomes & impact – continued

Elena Hilsaca, National Coordinator of EITI Honduras, will present on how EITI was instrumental to improving the mining cadaster in Honduras.

Each country delegation will work to answer the following question: *How will you measure the outcomes and impact of your work?* Each country will share their findings.

Moderator: **Santiago J. Dondo, EITI International Secretariat**

12.30 – 13.45

Lunch

13:45 – 14.45

Session 12: Beneficial Ownership

This session will focus on the EITI requirement to disclose the beneficial owners of oil, gas & mining companies by 2020. Specifically, participants are expected to share their progress on the BO roadmaps and identify possible next steps and support needed to move this agenda forward.

- **Victor Andrés Garzón, German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ)** will present on “Progress and challenges in the identification of beneficial owners”

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sofía Mazariegos, Technical Secretary of EITI Guatemala • Nazera Abdul-Haqq, from the National Secretariat of EITI Trinidad & Tobago, will both share progress with implementing the BO roadmap introduced on 1 January 2017
<p>14.45 – 16.15</p>	<p><u>Session 13: Beneficial Ownership – continued</u></p> <p>The “paradise papers” case has once again highlighted that ending company anonymity is key to fighting corruption. The panel will discuss current trends and challenges ahead, with a particular focus on the Dominican Republic.</p> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jorge Coronado, researcher: Beneficial ownership: Origin, concept and state of the art • Francisco Paris, EITI International Secretariat: Beneficial ownership and EITI, including remarks from the Jakarta Conference • Dominican Republic’s Government Representative (TBC): recent advances on Beneficial Ownership’s registry - presentation by Representative of Dominican Republic.
<p>16.15 – 17.00</p>	<p><u>Closing session:</u></p> <p>Final words, feedback and inventory of EITI available resources (online guide)</p>
<p>17.00 – 18.30</p>	<p>Civil Society Meeting, hosted by CSOs from Dominican Republic MSG.</p> <p>Sharing experiences with CSOs’ colleagues across the region Venue - Hotel Real Intercontinental</p>