

Peer Learning Event for EITI Implementing Anglophone/Lusophone Countries in Africa

MSG members and National Secretariats

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Time	Session	Moderator
Tuesday 21 November		
0900-0945	<p><u>Opening session</u></p> <p>Keynote address by Minister of Mines, and Minerals Development Hon. Christopher Yaluma</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remarks by CSO Representative – Charles Mulila, PWYP Chairperson • Remarks by President Zambia Chamber of Mines – Nathan Chishimba • Remarks by World Bank Country Representative – Ina Ruthernberg • Remarks by EITI Deputy Head - Eddie Rich • Remarks by Zambia EITI Chairperson – Fredson Yamba <p>Introduction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of participants and facilitators • Explanation of the agenda • Setting expectations for the workshop 	Jackson Sikamo, ZEITI
0945-1000	Break	
1000-1100	<p>Session 1 (plenary, Zambian MSG members welcome): How to use the EITI to strengthen disclosure systems and achieve national priorities.</p> <p>In an ideal world, EITI data would be published regularly by government agencies and extractive companies and not in standalone reports. In the EITI, this is known as “mainstreaming disclosures”. For data that are reliable, trusted and available on company and government websites, EITI reporting is not required. EITI Reports become ‘reports of the gaps’. Countries are taking steps towards making extractives data more readily available. The framework for doing is often highlighted in the recommendations from Validation. Using Zambia as a case study, the first part of this session will show how countries can identify areas for mainstreaming disclosures and help participants think strategically about their own mainstreaming plans.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mainstreaming – the future of the EITI <i>Brief introduction by Eddie Rich, EITI International Secretariat</i> - Opportunities for strengthening government systems in Zambia <i>Intervention by Ron Smit – Mineral Production Support project followed by Q & A</i> 	Isaac Mwaipopo, ZEITI
1100-1200	<p>Session 2: Reports to Reforms</p> <p>Disclosures are only as useful as the changes they lead to. Turning recommendations into reforms is what the EITI is all about. These opportunities for reforms in the sector are often highlighted in the</p>	Ian Mwiinga, EITI International Secretariat

	<p>recommendations from Validation. This session will showcase how countries in the region are linking the Standard to national priorities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Transparency with a purpose <i>Examples from Nigeria (Waziri Adio) (influencing national policy), Sierra Leone (Mina Horace) (sub-national transfers)</i> - Sharing experiences – what strategies work best? <i>Open discussion</i> 	
1200-1300	<i>Lunch</i>	
1300-1430	<p>Session 3: Getting down to business on mainstreaming</p> <p>Countries will have mapped existing disclosures and opportunities for mainstreaming before the workshop, and participants will use this opportunity to peer-review each other's results with an aim to identify next steps.</p> <p>Using the examples from the first session, participants will be asked to break out into smaller groups to review each other's mainstreaming plans. Country groups will then be given a short amount of time to identify high impact – low cost next steps to mainstream disclosures.</p> <p>Country groups will be asked to share top three priorities with the group.</p>	Waziri Adio, NEITI
1430-1445	<i>Break</i>	
1445-1600	<p>Session 4: Using Validation to improve implementation</p> <p>Most countries in the region are preparing for their second Validation under the EITI Standard. Some are gearing towards their first. What are some of the lessons learned? How has Validation helped improve implementation?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What I wish I had known before Validation began <i>Brief reflections from Konah Karmo (Liberia), Custodio Nguetana (Mozambique) and Waziri Adio (Nigeria)</i> - Preparing for Validation – the beginning of the end... or the end of the beginning? <i>National coordinators from Merga Kenea (Ethiopia), Fatime Kante (Seychelles) and Mina Horace (Sierra Leone) will be invited to join the panel for a brief discussion</i> 	Pablo Valverde, EITI International Secretariat
1600-1700	<p>Session 5: The online guide to the EITI standard and how to use EITI guidance notes</p> <p>The new online guide to the EITI standard will be presented and the participants will be able to choose from four different sessions where EITI Guidance notes will be discussed.</p>	Eddie Rich, EITI International Secretariat
1700-1715	Closing	
1730-1900	Welcome cocktail reception hosted by Zambia EITI Council	
1900	<i>Dinner</i>	

Wednesday 22 November

0900-0915	<p>Intro to day 2: technical issues</p> <p>This day will be focused on the technical issues in delivering the EITI, particularly highlighting the areas which have proven challenging in the region according to the validations. Participants from countries that have been validated will be asked to refer closely to their corrective actions.</p>	Eddie Rich, EITI International Secretariat
0915-1100	<p>Session 6: Contracts and licenses, including beneficial ownership disclosure</p> <p>Contracts and licenses are a key challenge in the region, but they are also an area where countries are doing most to mainstream the EITI's requirements in government systems. The session will begin with a presentation by Ines Marques from the EITI International Secretariat discussing the relevant requirements and sharing examples from Validations. Participants will then break out into two groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contracts and licenses – where are countries struggling? What remedial actions are countries implementing ahead of their next Validation? - Beneficial ownership – review of roadmaps. Who will need to be engaged from the government? How are workplans coming along, and what changes need to be made to ensure progress? <p>Results will be shared in plenary.</p>	<p>Rob Pitman (NRGI) on contracts and licenses</p> <p>Edna Osei (NRGI) on beneficial ownership</p>
1100-1115	<i>Break</i>	
1115-1300	<p>Session 7: Parallel sessions on state participation and state-owned enterprises/ project-level reporting, production and export data/data quality assurance and auditing standards.</p> <p>Countries in the region often go beyond the minimum reporting requirements of the EITI, and a number of them participate in the EITI's concerted effort on commodity trading. In most of them, state participation in the sector is a challenge. Meanwhile, project-level reporting and data quality assurance remain important but little-understood concepts. This session aims to use examples from Validation together with implementing country experiences in addressing these challenges.</p>	<p>State participation and state-owned enterprises – Bash Razak, GHEITI</p> <p>Project-level reporting, production and export data – Ron Smit (Mineral Production Monitoring Support project - Zambia Ministry of Mines)</p> <p>Data quality assurance and auditing standards - Konah Karmo, Liberia EITI</p>
1300-1400	<i>Lunch</i>	
1400-1500	<p>Session 8: Improving transparency of local content in mining</p> <p>Local content is a topical issue in the region. How might it be covered in the EITI process?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The EITI and the Local Content Reporting Mechanism - how to operationalise reporting. 	<p>Presentation by Emily Nickerson, Engineers Without Borders Canada</p> <p>Followed by a dialogue between Ian Mwiinga and Ines Marques, EITI International Secretariat with intervention by Talent Ng'andwe, Chamber of Mines</p>
1500-1515	<i>Break</i>	
1515-1700	<p>Session 9: Sub-national payments and transfers, infrastructure payments and social expenditures.</p> <p>The concept of "social license" and the impact of natural resource extraction on local communities are of importance in the region. Meanwhile, Validation has shown that social expenditures and sub-national payments and transfers remain among the most challenging requirements in the region. There is potential for using the EITI to improve the public's understanding of social payments and the effect of extractives on local communities. This will begin with a brief presentation by Pablo Valverde of the International Secretariat</p>	<p>Sub-national payments and transfers – Mina Horace, SLEITI</p> <p>Social expenditures - Anwar Ravat, World Bank</p>

	on the requirements in the Standard. Participants will be broken into groups and given different scenarios to consider before.	
1700-1715	Closing	
1900-2100	<i>Reception hosted by the Zambian government</i> <i>Traditional Zambian night – hosted by Ministry of Mines and Minerals Development</i>	

Thursday 23 November

0900-1100	<p>Session 10: Keeping the machinery running - MSG governance and code of conduct</p> <p>Implementing countries in the region have taken different approaches to MSG governance. Some of these have worked well, others have worked less well. Some countries are in the middle of a process to improve the governance of their MSGs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What does the Standard say? Examples from Validation <i>Brief presentation by Pablo Valverde, EITI International Secretariat</i> - Scenarios <i>After a brief introduction by Michele Ferenz (CBI), participants will be asked to break out into groups and discuss specific scenarios before being asked to present their findings to the plenary</i> - Improving stakeholder engagement <i>Participants will be paired up in groups to share experiences on how they have addressed challenges of stakeholder engagement</i> <p>This session will also be used to provide a brief introduction to the EITI Code of Conduct. It is required that the Code of Conduct be shared with MSG members.</p>	<p>Pablo Valverde, EITI International Secretariat</p> <p>Michele Ferenz (CBI)</p>
1100-1115	<i>Break</i>	
1115-1215	<p>Session 11: Funding the EITI</p> <p>Partners or national secretariats to lead a session on grant application procedures for funding from the World Bank and other mechanisms for funding.</p>	Anwar Ravat, World Bank
1215-1315	<i>Lunch</i>	
1315-1415	<p>Session 12: Plans for regional coordination and representation</p> <p>All constituencies are represented on the EITI Board. It is important that implementing countries are aware of their representatives and understand how Board procedures work so that they are better able to feed into discussions at the Board level. In this session, participants will be introduced to the existing regional coordination processes as well as provide input to their development. Participants will be divided by constituencies.</p> <p>Implementing countries (Michele Ferenz, CBI)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introductory remarks by H.E. Min. Zainab Ahmed, Board Member (by skype) 2. Presentation (10 min) by Michele Ferenz (CBI) highlighting: Background, objectives, and guiding principles and practices of the EITI Implementing Country Guidelines for internal Coordination and Information-Sharing Ongoing activities undertaken to implement the Guidelines, namely: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultations on “Challenges and good practices in MSG functioning at the national level” and on “Constituency Governance at the International EITI Level” • Training in facilitation of multi-stakeholder dialogue and decision-making processes (communication, conflict management, consensus-building) • Showcasing a new Implementing Country online Platform (to be accessed through the EITI Implementers’ Portal) that will a central virtual meeting point for NCs for all project activities. 3. Q&A with Board alternate José Cardoso (10 min) 4. Discussion on priorities, opportunities and challenges for implementing the Guidelines in Anglophone and Lusophone Africa and building a stronger African voice in the EITI (20 min) 5. Summary of next steps (5 min) 	<p>Michele Ferenz (CBI)</p> <p>Pablo Valverde, EITI International Secretariat</p>

	<p>Civil Society (Pablo Valverde, EITI International Secretariat)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brief reminder of how the Board and Board committees work 2. What mechanisms are in place for exchanging information between and with the constituency? 3. Q&A with Faith Nwadishi, EITI Board member <p>Industry (Eddie Rich, EITI International Secretariat)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brief reminder of how the Board and Board committees work 2. What mechanisms are in place for exchanging information between and with the constituency? 3. Reaching out to the broader constituency – strategies and opportunities. 	
1415-1500	<p>Closing session: conclusions from the workshop and next steps</p> <p>An exercise for country teams to revisit their workplans to focus three priority actions particularly related to recommendations and corrective actions from – or preparations for – validation, beneficial ownership roadmap actions or mainstreaming next steps.</p>	Yewa Kumwenda, ZEITI
1500-1800	<p>Study visit to the Mining Cadastre</p> <p>Tools for Mainstreaming EITI Data - Lessons from Zambia: <i>Presentation by the Mining Cadastre department and introduction of the online portal.</i></p>	Tabila Mazhamo