

5th Open Government Partnership Global Summit 2018

Tbilisi, Georgia 16-19 July 2018

PROGRAMME

CONTEXT

As lead co-chair of the Open Government Partnership (OGP), the Government of Georgia will host the 5th OGP Global Summit in Tbilisi, Georgia, on 17-19 July 2018. Representatives from more than 70 countries are expected to attend, including heads of state and ministers, public officials, members of parliament, local authorities, civil society representatives, international organisations, researchers, and journalists.

The Summit will provide an excellent opportunity to foster the contribution of local authorities to the OGP national commitments and to discuss challenges and opportunities related to open government, transparency, accountability and citizen participation.

As part of the project "Strengthening democracy and building trust at local level in Ukraine" implemented by the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe, Ukrainian local authorities, their associations, and members of the Congress will contribute to a range of events to exchange experiences and knowledge, and thereby strengthen their commitment to open government principles.

Monday, 16 July 2018

11:00 – 19:00 OGP Local Workshop (invitation only)

17:30 – 19:00 Open Local Government Innovation Exchange (Pitch Competition)

Venue: Courtyard by Marriott hotel, Freedom Square, Tbilisi *Host organisation:* Tbilisi City Hall and Open Government Partnership. *Language:* Pitches can be made in English, Georgian, Spanish and French. There will be translation available.

Participants in the Pitch Competition:

- Ms Tetiana LEBUKHORSKA, Head of Communication, Municipality of Chernivtsi, Ukraine.
- Mr Vladimir PREBILIČ, Member of the Congress, Mayor of Kočevje, Slovenia.

19:00 – 21:00 OGP Local Reception

Venue: Tbilisi City Assembly, 2 Galaktion Tabidze St, Freedom Square

Immediately following the OGP Open Local Government Innovation Exchange, the Tbilisi City Hall invites all participants to an evening reception starting at 19:00h. High level participants will attend (national authorities, mayors, etc.).

Tuesday, 17 July 2018

11:00 – 16:00 Open Governance at Local Level: Cities Take Action

Venue: "Samepho" Hall, Rustavi

Host organisation: NALAG, the Congress, Municipality of Rustavi.

Working languages: English, Georgian and Russian.

This workshop will be composed of three sessions on [1] citizen participation in local decision making, [2] transparency and openness in municipal governments and [3] open governance and local development.

Venue: Parliament of Georgia, 8 Shota Rustaveli Ave

Wednesday, 18 July 2018 – SUMMIT

09:00 - 12:30 Opening Plenary of the OGP Global Summit% http://sched.co/FNJr

Venue: Tbilisi Concert Hall, 1 Petre Melikishvili St.

Host organisation: Open Government Partnership, Government of Georgia.

14.00 – 15:30 Closing the Implementation Gap: The Role of Multilateral Institutions in Supporting Open Government Reforms % http://sched.co/FCGO

Venue: Funicular - Restaurant, Mtatsminda Plateau Host organisation: Open Government Partnership

This panel will focus on what donors are doing and can do to make sure that open government reforms are implemented. This session will ask donors working in different areas of open government on what can be done to close the implementation gap – i.e. unpack their priorities, challenges, opportunities, and how results can be achieved based on their considerable experience. Panellists will be asked to showcase examples of their programmes to illustrate how their organisations are supporting and advancing the ambition and implementation of reforms on the ground.

Venue: Funicular - Mural Room, Mtatsminda Plateau

Host organisation: Open Government Partnership

Scaling up efforts in the area of strengthening institutions and governance is a top priority in the joint policy initiative of the Eastern Partnership (EaP). This conversation will bring together reformers from the EU, government, and civil society to take stock of the progress made on the open government agenda in EaP countries both within and outside the OGP platform and highlight key emerging priority areas. The conversation will take the EaP's '20 Deliverables for 2020' as a guiding framework and explore ways in which open government approaches can help in achieving the ambition for stronger governance, economies, societies and connectivity.

15:30 – 16:30 Initiating and Elaborating Participatory Budgeting: Barriers and Triggers% http://sched.co/FAdj

Venue: Funicular - UTW 1, Mtatsminda Plateau Host organisation: e-Governance Academy of Estonia.

The objective of this workshop is to examine different European experiences of PB implementation, and to discuss the potential fit of PB cases and their surrounding environments. The question to address: <u>how to initiate and elaborate the right PB model for your local government.</u>

Outcomes: [1] Tips to develop PB in your municipality: steps to take when elaborating your model of PB. [2] Clear understanding of the expected challenges when initiating and implementing PB. [3] Knowledge-sharing of international PB practices.

17:00 – 18:30 Civic Engagement Practical Tips and Tactics: OGP as a Tool to Put People at the Heart of Decision Making% http://sched.co/FAdf

Venue: Funicular - Mural Room, Mtatsminda Plateau

Host organisation: Government of Scotland, Open Society Georgia Foundation.

This session will discuss effective participation methods and will explore ways for people to participate in decision making.

Thursday, 19 July 2018 – SUMMIT

10:30 – 12:00 Feminist Open Government: How It Helps Inclusion % <u>http://sched.co/FAdi</u>

Venue: Funicular - Ballroom, Mtatsminda Plateau

Host organisation: Results for Development (R4D), Government of Canada.

This high-level panel will feature prominent open government leaders who are accelerating the gender empowerment and inclusion agenda within the Partnership. Panellists from both government and civil society will engage in a frank discussion and debate about the promises and challenges of mainstreaming gender and inclusion into the open government movement.

12:00 – 13:00 Opening Cities: How Raising Transparency on the Local Level Can Contribute to Reducing Corruption % <u>http://sched.co/FAdO</u>

Venue: Funicular - UTW 3, Mtatsminda Plateau

Host organisation: UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub for Europe and Central Asia, Transparency International Ukraine.

The panel will articulate how in Europe (e.g. Georgia, Moldova, Albania, Ukraine) sub-national governments are leading in strengthening integrity systems, engaging with citizens, using disruptive technologies in areas like financial management, and increasing transparency.

The panel will also present #TransparentCities initiatives and the UN awardwinning "Islands of Integrity methodology" on how to prevent corruption in local governments through participation, systemic organisational changes and enhanced transparency.

UNDP will also launch a hands-on Guide on "Corruption-Free Cities" on how integrity systems can be implemented at the local level.

12:00 – 13:30 Driving Actions towards Gender Responsive Open Government % <u>http://sched.co/FAel</u>

Venue: Funicular - Wedding Hall, Mtatsminda Plateau

Host organisation: International Development Research Centre, Publish What You Pay.

Open Government approaches can help to deliver more transparent, accountable and responsive governments - but for whom? Advancing gender

equality in and through open government requires a collective shift in approaches. New research and evidence is helping to identify important areas for action, and is making the case for the impact of gender equality in open government institutions and initiatives. This interactive learning session will share approaches to address gender issues and engage in actionable conversations on how to advance a gender responsive open government agenda around the world.

13:30 – 15:00 Towards Real Outcomes and Concrete Impact: Going Local with OGP and Improving Public Service Delivery Shttp://sched.co/FAdu

Venue: Funicular - Restaurant, Mtatsminda Plateau

Host organisation: Department of Budget and Management of the Republic of the Philippines.

Through this panel discussion, OGP stakeholders shall take a closer look at how different countries are engaging key subnational actors in localizing their good governance efforts, and how this leads to more efficient and effective public service delivery. Panellists in the session will also tackle how co-creation of OGP sub-national commitments and plans happens and how the process is facilitated by OGP actors from both central and local levels of government.

13:30 – 15:00 Open Government as a Strategy to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at Local Level % http://sched.co/FAdw

Venue: Funicular - Ballroom, Mtatsminda Plateau

Host organisation: United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG), Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations

To advance on the ambitious 2030 Agenda, an approach where the dialogue and complementary actions between public sector and civil society are constant, constructive and regular should be promoted. The proposal aims to create a dialogue between local government representatives and civil-society regarding open government as a driver to advance in the achievement of the SDGs at local level. Experiences from Scotland, Spain and Latin America will be showcased and will be followed by a conversation to the audience to create a broader discussion.

15:00 – 16:00 Using ICT in Advancing Civic Participation: Lessons from Local Governments

Venue: Funicular - UTW 3, Mtatsminda Plateau Host organisation: World Smart Sustainable Cities Organization (WeGO)

This session will gather high-level representatives from local governments and civil society to share their experience in using ICT to help citizens partake in local governance. The session will culminate with the launch of the WeGO Civic Participation System (CPS), an IT-based smart complaint management system.

17:00 – 18:00 Open Government Going Local – Why Is This a Turning Point? % <u>http://sched.co/FAeP</u>

Venue: Funicular - UTW 3, Mtatsminda Plateau Host organisation: Government of Georgia.

At the subnational level, government is closest to its citizens and has the opportunity to foster transformative change to more transparent, responsive, accountable, and effective government benefiting all citizens. This panel session aims to showcase good practices, innovations, and challenges of open government reforms at the subnational level. Looking at these developments, it will also take stock and ask whether open government going local is a turning point in scaling OGP reforms.

18:00 – 19:30 Closing Plenary

Venue: Funicular - Ballroom, Mtatsminda Plateau *Host organisation:* Open Government Partnership, Government of Georgia.

21:00 – 00:00 Summit After Party

Venue: Silk Factory Studio, 69 Merab Kostava Street

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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

- The general agenda of the Summit is accessible at https://ogpsummit.org/agenda
- Lunch will be provided at the venue on Wednesday, 18 July and Thursday, 19 July.
- Coffee will be provided throughout the event.
- A map with all venues is accessible at bit.ly/mapOGPsummit
- #OGPGeorgia @COECongress
- http://www.flickr.com/photos/congress-of-local-and-regional-authorities/
- Free and unlimited Wi-Fi will be available throughout the venues.

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