

#### **Cover note**

This document represents EITI Albania Work-plan for year 2016.

In this document, EITI Albania and the Albanian MSG have put down the objectives and tasks to achieve during the year 2016.

By December 2015 we published the EITI reports for years 2013 and 2014 ensuring thus comprehensive and timely data that are worth for analyses and discussion. It was an innovation and achievement the expansion of EITI industry coverage by adding the Hydropower Sector to our EITI reports.

EITI Albania Secretariat aims to produce by the end of 2016 the EITI report for year 2015.

The natural flow of the EITI process has increased our responsibilities requiring us to upgrade from the "start-storming" phase to a new "performing" phase, therefore we will focus and invest in those activities which will enable the EITI processes to be sustainable.

Based on the findings and the neuralgias that we have identified during the preparation of EITI reports 2013 and 2014, we need to work with our legal framework to enable a normal flow of the reporting process. Along with the reporting process, in the center of our agenda for 2016 we will have the improvement of the legal framework with regard to transparency and good governance of the sector. We will work to draft and approve the legal provisions and interconnection to other laws.

Intensive outreach activities and capacity building will be in the center of our 2016 agenda. We identify that we engage with new partners in our EITI processes such as students, academic, legislators, analysts, parliamentarians etc. They should be part of the EITI processes and each communication should be tailored according to their specifics.

#### **EITI Albania 2016**



Theme	Objective	Activity	Responsible Person/Institution	Timescale	Costs	Funds available		Status
						World Bank	State Budget	
Work plan 2016	Preparation of the work plan aligned with the EITI standards	Planning activities  Reorganization of activities including unrealized activities of the work plan 2015  Presentation to the interested groups  Online publication in the official website of EITI Albania	EITI Albania MSG	Jan – Feb 2016	None			Completed
Annual activity report 2015	Preparation of the EITI Albania progress report for year 2015	Description of EITI Albania activities during 2015.  Analysis and evidencing of the Issues and obstacles that caused delay in meeting planned 2015 activities.	EITI Albania MSG	Jan - Mar 2016	None			Completed
MSG	Reorganization of MSG	Confirmation of members for 2016	MEI/ EITI Albania/MSG	Jan – May 2016	None			On process
		Preparation of Terms of Reference for MSG, according to the member status of EITI Albania	BB/EITI Albania	Jan – May 2016				Completed
		Evaluation of Groups of Interest	BB/EITI Shqiptar	Mar – May 2016				On process



Legal and Regulatory Review	Providing a stable legislation for the implementation of EITI in Albania	Improvement of instructions and existing orders, sub-laws acts on procedures and deadlines regarding EITI reporting based on the new Mining Law no. 134/2014 dt. 9.10.2014 and Hydropower Law no. 19/2015 dt. 12.03.2015	MEI; MSG EITI Albania Hydrocarbons Directory Mining Directory MEI	Jan- Dec 2016	None		Not started
		Setting objectives concerning the revision of the legal framework for EITI implementation, in petroleum, mining and hydropower sectors	MSG EITI Albania	Mar – Apr 2016	WB Grant \$ 50,000		
	Selection of Legal Consultant	Drafting of TOR for the legal expertise required  Drafting of the law on transparency and good					On process
	Compliance of EITI standards with Albanian legislation	governance of natural resources, evaluating legislation in other EITI countries, and implementation experiences in these countries	EITI Albania MSG	Mar 2016- Mar 2017			Not started
	, iibanian regisiation	Improvement of the reporting form for entities by increasing the number of indicators in EITI reporting / disclosure					
		Identifying barriers that slow down the data collection from state agencies and entities (adoption with the reporting system, collection and processing of data)					
Communication Strategy 2016- 2017	Selection of Consultant	Drafting of TOR, Setting objectives and goals  Selection of Consultant	EITI Albania MSG	Feb – Mar 2016	WB Grant Foreseen \$ 10'000*		On process
	Preparation of the Communication	Listing of communication strategy activities, advertising campaign	Consultant				Not started
	Strategy 2016-2017	SWOT analysis	EITI Albania				
			EIII Albania				



		The online publication in the official website	MSG				
		Presentation to the interested groups					
Communication activities	Package for Public awareness campaign as per activities foreseen in the Communication Strategy 2016	Invitation for Expression Offer to companies in the field  Tendering and selection process  Signing of the contract with the company selected	EITI Albania	Mar – Dec 2016	WB Grant \$ 75'000 *		Not started
	Presentation of the reports EITI 2013 and EITI 2014 to the wide public	Seminars, meetings with groups of interest  Distribute the report to extractive companies, local government units, civil society and other interest groups such as donors, central government institutions, parliamentary groups, environmentalists, etc.					On process
	Publication of EITI Albania activities to be recognized by the public	Advertising the report in media (TV, newspapers)  Information activities in the media, press conferences, forums, publicity, etc.  Quarterly informative newsletter on EITI activities					
	Production of information materials	Meetings with students, high school students in cities where extractive industry operates  Continuous updating of the website and social media pages  Printing of brochures, leaflets, banners, different promotional and information materials					



EITI Reports 2015 and 2016	Drafting of TOR	Discussion and approval of MSG for the terms of reference referred to the EITI standards	EITI Albania MSG	Feb – Apr 2016	WB Grant \$128 000		Completed
		Approval of the ToR from the World Bank	World Bank				Completed
	Selection of Independent Administrator	Selection of reporting subjects for EITI reports	EITI Albania	Apr – May 2016			,
	Auministrator	Publication of Expression of Interest for the Independent Administrator	EITI Albania				
		Tendering and selection process					
		Signing of the contract with the Independent Administrator	EITI Albania				On process
	Publication of 2015 EITI Report	Presentation to the wide public the results of 2015 EITI Report		Nov 2016			
EITI Validation 2016	Participation in the validation process	Assistance, availability of requested materials in EITI validation process 2016	EITI International MSG EITI Albania	Sep 2016	None		Not started
Study of transparency about the usage of rent income and donations of extractive industry companies in local government	Define of the mechanisms for the use of rent income by the local government	Meetings with leaders and organizational structures of the municipalities and the central government, with stakeholders regarding royalty, donations support and projects prepared for the community.  Study publication and recommendations for improvements	EITI Albania MSG	Sep - Dec 2016	None		Not started



Surveys on EITI impact	Survey on the impact of EITI activity after the publication of reports EITI 2013 and EITI 2014	Distribution and filling of questionnaires filled in: Bulqize, Patos, Fier, Selenice, Kukes, Librazhd, Perrenjas, Pogradec, Tirana.  Statistical analysis of the data obtained from the questionnaire  Publication of the analysis on the EITI impact	EITI Albania	Oct – Nov 2016	None	Not started
Additional projects	1. EITI Information Center of Extractive Industry (Aktivity proposed by Mr. Ilir Aliaj)  2.Study on the impact of extractive industries contribute to economic growth and employment in Albania	Selection of consultant process  Implementation of data integrated system on extractive industries  Setting objectives Drafting TOR	EITI Albania MSG	Dec 2016- Dec 2017	Funds still unavailable Expected: Min \$92'400* Max \$270'720*  (Financial support should be discussed)  Funds still unavailable	Not started
	3.Strategy on private sector participation in oil industry and government support to restructure and reorganize the oil sector	Setting objectives Drafting TOR			Expected funding from multiple donors	
	4. Mining cadastre system	Setting objectives Drafting TOR for improvements in the cadastral system of mining and quarrying industry				



	5. Study on "Developing a new global reporting standard & scoring system on local content"	Piloting a local content standard within national EITI process in Albania	GIZ EITI Albania	Nov 2016 - 2017	Funding by GIZ	
Capacity building	Training programs for the EITI Albania staff and MSG members  Trainings for parliamentarians, central government employees, for institutions related to EITI process, CSO  Training of employees of local government, local reporting companies, local CSO  Consultancy for government institutions and companies operating in the extractive sector	ASPA trainings; Communication Standards, Public Policy Development, Project Management, Public Procurements, ect.  Drfat of training TOR Training of MSG members, on the role of MSG, scope, power and ability to deliver progress and stakeholders on enhancing their role in the Extractive Industries  Training of employees of local or central government related to extractive industry, for the EITI implementing country obligations, EITI standards and EITI reports and transparency in sector  Addressing their needs for complying with EITI reporting requirements		Jan – Dec 2016 Mar- Dec 2016	WB Grant \$ 50'000  \$ 50,000	On process  Not started
				Estimated Cost	\$ 385'000	