

Cover note

This document represents EITI Albania Work-plan for year 2015.

In this document, EITI Albania and the Albanian MSG have put down the tasks to achieve and have also identified the objectives that we want to accomplish during the year 2015.

Prioritiy of this year agenda is inclusion of water resources, hydro energy, in EITI reports, concretely inclusion in the 2013 EITI report.

Also EITI Albania Secretariat aims the publication of two EITI reports within the year, the reports EITI 2013 and EITI 2014. This realization depends on the availability of funds during this year.

Studies considered as very necessary for this year's activity from EITI Albania and MSG, that will contribute to qualitative improvements into the management of the sector, are:

- Post rent distribution Study (*This study was planned for implementation in 2014 work plan and was not realized because of not providing funds*);
- Revenue Potential Study (Procurement process has started in 2014);
- Feasibility Study for EITI Data Integrated Systems in Albania, which will serve further for the creation and operation of the Extractive Industry Information Centre EITI in Albania.

EITI Albania 2015



Theme	Objective	Activity	Responsible Person/Institution	Timescale	Costs	Funds available		Status
						World Bank	State Budget	
Work plan 2015	Preparation of the work plan aligned with the EITI standards	Planning activities Reorganization of activities including unrealized activities of the work plan 2014 Presentation to the interested groups Online publication in the official website of EITI Albania	EITI Albania Secretariat MSG	January 2015	None			Completed
MSG	Reorganization of MSG in accordance with new standards of EITI	Confirmation of members Preparation of Terms of Reference for MSG Organize MSG meetings for TOR approval Adaption of MSG regulation according to the membership status of EITI Albania Secretariat	MEI EITI Albania Secretariat MSG	January – May 2015	None			Completed
Public awareness towards transparency	Package for Public awareness campaign as per activities foreseen in the Communication Strategy 2015	Invitation to Quote Shopping for "non- consulting" services Tendering and selection process Signing of the contract with the company selected	EITI Albania Secretariat	January – June 2015	\$ 24,000	\$ 24,000		Completed



Study on the revenue potential study of extractive industries	Informing the public and establish transparency on potential revenues from extractive industry	Selection of the consultancy company in accordance with the standards of the World Bank procurement Signing of the contract with the company selected Publication of the study	EITI Albania Secretariat	Process started on September 2014 Study expected delivery on June 2015	\$75'000	\$ 75'000		Completed
Hydro energy study	Study on the inclusion of water resources, hydro energy, in EITI reports.	Selection of the consultancy company in accordance with the standards of the World Bank procurement Signing of the contract with the company selected Publication of the study	EITI Albania Secretariat	January – April 2015	\$ 12'000	\$ 12'000		Completed
Feasibility Study for EITI Data Integrated Systems	Conducting a study on current data systems and the possibility of generating a system where the information for EITI report is automatically generated	Selection of the consultancy company in accordance with the standards of the World Bank procurement Signing of the contract with the company selected Publication of the study	EITI Albania Secretariat	January – March 2015	\$13'000	\$ 13'000		Completed
Exercising map for extractive industry in Bulqiza	Pilot study, exercising map on EITI data collection, processing and publication.	Discussion and approval of MSG for the TOR Publication of Expression of Interest Tendering and selection process Signing of the contract with the Consultant Publication of the study	EITI Albania Secretariat	January – June 2015	\$ 10'000		\$ 10'000	Completed



Annual activity report 2014	Preparation of the EITI Albania progress report for year 2014	Description of EITI Albania activities during 2014. Analysis and evidencing of the Issues and obstacles that caused delay in meeting planned 2013 activities.	EITI Albania Secretariat MSG	March 2015	None		Completed
EITI 2013 and EITI 2014 reports	Preparation of TOR including Hydro energy Selection of Independent Administrator	Discussion and approval of MSG for the terms of reference referred to the EITI standards Approval of the ToR from the EITI International Secretariat and Acknowledgement from the World Bank Publication of Expression of Interest for the Independent Administrator Tendering and selection process Signing of the contract with the Independent Administrator	EITI Albania Secretariat /MSG EITI International World Bank EITI Albania Secretariat EITI Albania Secretariat	March – June 2015	Donors State budget TBD – Funds not available yet Expected \$120'000	\$100'000	Completed
Reconciliation - Good governance of extractive industry revenues in local government	Reconciliation of income received from mining rent in Patos Municipality and fund management for the benefit of community during 2012	Establish a working group with representatives of EITI Albania and MSG Preparation of reconciliation - transparency report on the use of funds in the context of community development	EITI Albania Secretariat MSG	March – October 2015	None		Completed
Institutionalization of EITI Albania	Providing a stable legislation for the implementation of EITI in Albania	DCM on EITI Albania Secretariat status	MEI; MSG; EITI Albania	January - December 2015	None		Completed



	Compliance of EITI standards with Albanian legislation	Amendment and improvement of the law for hydrocarbons by including the clause of obligation to report EITI. Hydrocarbon law	Oil And Gas Directory MEI; MSG; EITI Albania	March 2015			Completed
	, abandin legislation	Review of the law on mineral rent and its distribution; proposal of mechanisms how the fund will be administered	EITI Albania; MSG	March – December 2015			Completed
		Guidance on procedures and deadlines for EITI reporting EITI in new Mining Law no. 134/2014 dt.9.10.2014	EITI Albania; MSG Mining Directory MEI	March – December 2015			On process 2016 year
		Guidance on increasing the number of indicators in EITI reports.	EITI Albania; MSG	March – December 2015			On process 2016 year
MSI Integrity Report	Implementation of the MSI Integrity report recommendations	Translation of MSI Integrity report in Albanian language Establish a working group with representatives	EITI Albania Secretariat MSG	April – July 2015	None		Completed Completed
	recommendations	of MSG and Albanian EITI Secretariat					Completed
		Adoption of MSI Integrity recommendations for MSG					Completed
Enrichment of EITI reports	CSR reporting activity in the framework of EITI reports	Inclusion in the terms of reference of EITI reports	EITI Albania Secretariat MSG	April – June 2015	None		Completed
Surveys on EITI impact	Survey on the impact of EITI activity at the end of the publicity campaign	Distribution and filling of questionnaires filled in: Bulqize, Patos, Fier, Selenice, Kukes, Librazhd, Perrenjas, Pogradec, Tirana, Fushe Kruje	EITI Albania Secretariat	June 2015	None		Completed October 2015



	Survey on the impact of EITI activity after the publication of reports EITI 2013 and EITI 2014	Statistical analysis of the data obtained from the questionnaire Publication of the analysis on the EITI impact		December 2015		Postponed on 2016
Communication Strategy 2016	Preparation of the Communication Strategy 2016	Setting objectives and goals Listing of communication strategy activities SWOT analysis Advertising campaign	Communication Consultant EITI Albania	September – December 2015	Donors State Budget Expected \$ 5'000*	Postponed on 2016
	Preparation of the work plan for 2016	Planning activities for 2016 The online publication in the official website Presentation to the interested groups	EITI Albania MSG	November 2015 – January 2016	None	
Publication of the reports EITI 2013	Presentation of the EITI stakeholders	Publication in the official website of EITI Albania and MEI	EITI Albania	September – December	Donors	Completed
and EITI 2014	with the results of the reports	Publication on Facebook and on Energy portal	EITI Albania	2015	State Budget	Completed
	Presentation of the	Press conference	MEI		TBD – Funds not	On process 2016 year
	reports EITI 2013 and EITI 2014 to the public	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.	EITI Albania		available yet Expected \$ 40'000*	On process 2016 year
		Advertising the report in media (TV spot, newspapers)	EITI Albania			On process 2016 year



Capacity building	Training programs for the EITI Albania staff	ASPA trainings; Transparency Initiatives, EITI Standards, Communication, Public Policy Development, Project Management, Public Procurements, ect.	EITI International EITI Albania Secretariat	January – December 2015	\$ 55'000	\$55'000	Completed
	Training for CSOs Training/Workshop for the new government officials Training /workshop for MSG members	Training of employees of local or central government related to extractive industry, for the EITI implementing country obligations, EITI standards and EITI reports. Training of MSG members, on the role of MSG, scope, power and ability to deliver progress.	World Bank Expert/other consultancy	September – December 2015 September – December 2015			
Awareness-raising and information-giving	Publication of EITI Albania activities to be recognized by the public Increasing the impact and public debate Production of information materials	Information activities in the media, press releases, conferences, forums, publicity, etc. Meetings with the interested groups Competition among high school students in cities where extractive industry companies operates Continuous updating of the website Price for the best publication article - EITI Albania Journalist Printing of brochures, leaflets, banners, different promotional and information materials	EITI Albania Secretariat	January – December 2015	EITI Albania Donors State Budget Expected \$ 5'000*		On process 2016 year



						\$279′000	\$10'000	
	EITI Information Center of Extractive Industry	Establishment of operational structures within the Albanian EITI Secretariat Implementation of data integrated system	EITI Albania Secretariat MSG	September 2015 – December 2016	TBD- Expected Min \$92'400* Max \$270'720*			Postponed on 2016
Additional studies and reports contributing to Transparency	Study of transparency about the usage of rent income in local government	Define of the mechanisms for the use of rent income by the local government Meetings with mayors and central government and stakeholder groups for the distribution of rent	EITI Albania Secretariat MSG	April 2015 – February 2016	Donors State Budget TBD- Expected \$30'000 *			Postponed on 2016

^{*}Funding for these activities is expected from the new grant of World Bank and other donors. Cost of these activities expected approximately \$ 172,400.