1 Introduction
This paper sets out the process for how each of the constituencies will nominate Board members for election at the Members Meeting in March 2011.

The constituencies have drawn on the principles agreed by the Board at their meeting in Dar es Salaam and set out in box 1 below.

Box 1: Principles for the Members and Board Nominations Process

The below principles for the selection processes were agreed at the 13th Board meeting in Dar es Salaam in October 2010 for all constituencies and sub-constituencies:

- The processes the different constituencies follow should be open and transparent.
- Information on the processes should be made available on the EITI website, including a contact person for any stakeholder wishing to be involved.
- The process should be flexible and open to new members. The constituencies should bear in mind the need to balance the need for continuity against the need for renewal and broadening of the ownership of the EITI.
- Recognising the important role the Board has for the EITI, countries and organisations are encouraged to be represented at senior level.
- The constituencies are urged to bear in mind how important it is that the EITI Association and Board are representative of all of the EITI’s stakeholders. It is, for example, expected that countries from different regions and companies and civil society organisations with strong links to different regions, are represented. While it may not be possible to determine that an international body such as the EITI Board be gender balanced, the constituency groups are encouraged to ensure that both genders are adequately represented.

2 Selection Process for the EITI Members Association and 2011-2013 EITI Board
Recognising the important principle that the EITI’s various constituencies have the right to determine their own internal processes, this document sets out the processes adopted by the various constituencies for nominations to the Members’ Meeting.

The constituencies are defined in the EITI Articles of Association as countries, companies, and civil society. The country and company constituencies will be informally sub-divided for the 2011-2013 Board. For example, the company constituency will comprise of 2 international oil and gas sector seats, 2 mining sector seats, 1 national oil or gas company seat, and 1 institutional investor seat.
2.1 Governments

2.1.1 EITI Members Association
All implementing and supporting governments are entitled to become members of the Association.

2.1.2 The EITI Board
Implementing countries:
EITI Implementing Countries have at least 5 of the 20 seats on the new Board, plus 5 alternates. In addition to the general selection principles, the following principles applied to the selection process for the 2011-2013 Board selection:

1. Board seats are only available for countries that have Candidate or Compliant status.
2. It is important that the Board is representative of all of the implementing countries. It is, for example, expected that countries from different regions and representing different natural resource sectors are represented.

For the 2011-13 Board, the process was being facilitated by the International Secretariat and involved the election of representatives from three groups: Francophone Africa, non-Francophone Africa, and the rest of the world. Each country that wished to have a representative on the Board were invited to propose a nomination to the Secretariat. The countries then selected the representatives for the seats. The selection was done by preferential vote, whereby each implementing country indicated which nominee it wished to select for each of the available seats, by means of a ranked ballot.

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Supporting countries:
The supporting countries constituency consists of three sub-constituencies: 2 European and 1 for the rest of the world. Each of these decided their Board nomination arrangements by consensus in a process that allows for rotation and is open to new members.

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2.2 Civil Society Organisations

2.2.1 EITI Members Association
Civil society organisations are entitled to as many members of the Association as they wish though their voting is weighted to the same total as the number of implementing and supporting countries.

2.2.2 The EITI Board
There will be 5 civil society representatives on the Board: two from OECD/supporting countries and three from implementing countries. Each of the 5 civil society representatives on the Board will be served by an Alternate. The Publish What You Pay coalition serves as the coordinating body for the nominations process. However, the selection process itself is undertaken by current civil society Board Members that are not seeking re-election for the seats. The process is open to all civil society members. As part of the selection process, the current Board Members will assess each candidate’s knowledge of and engagement with the EITI as well as the candidate’s ability to fulfill the functions of the post. They are consulting with civil society in their regions and aim to reach a decision by unanimous opinion.

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2.3 Companies

2.3.1 EITI Members’ Association
Companies will be entitled as many memberships of the Association as they wish though their voting is weighted to the same total as the number of implementing and supporting countries.
2.3.2 The EITI Board
There will be four broad categories of companies represented in the EITI company constituency: international oil and gas companies, mining companies, state-owned companies and institutional investors.

The following principles will apply for the selection process for each sub-constituency the 2011-2013 Board selection:

*International oil and gas companies:*

Regular international oil and gas supporting company teleconferences are held to which all members of the constituency are invited. All member companies have been asked to consider whether they would like to put themselves forward for consideration. Based on names put forward, a constituency recommendation will be sent to all members for approval.

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*Mining Companies:*

The process is open to all EITI supporting mining companies. It is intended that the nominations be agreed by consensus if possible. Amongst the factors to be considered in agreeing the overall balance of the mining team will be:

- relevant experience and prior involvement;
- the regional coverage offered by particular organisations/individuals;
- and representivity of the sector as a whole.

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*National oil and gas companies:*

The nomination process for these seats is open to all supporting national oil companies. The selection process is overseen by the current national oil company Board Members. They have invited nominations from all supporting national oil companies. Then there will be an open discussion amongst all applicants to agree the allocation of the Board and alternate seats. They will aim to reach a decision by consensus.

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*Institutional investors:*

Investors are invited by the current Board members to indicate their interest to serve on the Board. If there is more than one candidate for a Board vacancy the current Board members will make a recommendation to the active investor signatories.

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