Joining the Dots with Politically Exposed

Persons (PEPs)

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In Nigeria's extractive sector, there are more than **1000 potential**

Cases in which PEPs such as MPs may have **conflicts of interest** and more than **150 potential cases** where companies' **ultimate beneficial owner remains unclear**.

Joining the Dots with PEPs - Main features

An innovative **Directorio Legislativo**-led initiative that aims to improve transparency related to Beneficial Ownership and tackle corruption through:

- Using information available that CSOs have advocated for years.
- Working collaboratively with CSOs and government agencies to gather further information on PEPs, BO and public procurement/contracts (e.g. extractive sector).
- **Creating a platform** that identifies potential conflicts of interest and other irregularities of PEPs by cross-referencing public databases.

Joining the Dots with PEPs - Main features II

- It also aims to foster **public policy amendments** related to collection of BO, PEPs and government procurement data and its public access.
- Already being implemented in **Colombia and Nigeria** as JtD has a tailormade approach to each country.
- Implementation process:
 - Initial scope and assessment of country's regulatory framework and data availability.
 - Obtaining, analyzing and structuring the data.
 - Cross-matching the data.
 - Communicating findings and pushing for reforms.

Joining the Dots with PEPs - Challenges

Key challenges have to do with the **data** we work with:

- Availability
- Organization
- Reliability

Joining the Dots with PEPs - Main results

Colombia

- **78,328 Financial Declarations** were processed.
- Four types of alerts were identified.
- **20.969 alerts** were found.

Nigeria

- 5.284 PEPs; 58 PEPs' relatives; 5.987 companies; and 14.410 BOs
- Three types of alerts were identified.
- **1.259 alerts** have been found.

THANK YOU! ANY QUESTIONS?