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Period under review: [August 2020 – when Uganda joined EITI - to September 2023). (However, MSG constitution and meetings predate Uganda's admission to EITI, hence the difference in period for the section on MSG membership.)

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Introduction

The EITI requires effective multi-stakeholder oversight, including a functioning multi-stakeholder group that involves the government, companies, and the full, independent, active and effective participation of civil society.

The key requirements related to multi-stakeholder oversight include: (1.1) government engagement; (1.2) industry engagement; (1.3) civil society engagement, including <u>EITI Protocol:</u> <u>Participation of civil society</u>, and (1.4) the establishment and functioning of a multi-stakeholder group.

The purpose of this template is to collect information from MSG members about the implementation of these provisions. Parts I to IV of this template should be completed and submitted to the International Secretariat by the commencement of Validation.

Part I: MSG oversight addresses Requirement 1.4.b and should be approved by the MSG before submission to the International Secretariat.

Parts II to IV should be completed by each constituency and submitted to the International Secretariat. These should be shared with the MSG for information.

The Validation team will undertake virtual or in-person consultations to gather additional information. Ahead of the Validation, a public call for stakeholder views will be launched by the International Secretariat.

Part I: MSG oversight

This section is to be filled out by the national secretariat or an MSG working group and should be approved by the MSG before submission to the International Secretariat.

1. MSG members and attendance

1. Current MSG members. Please fill out the table below. Add rows when necessary.

Constituency	Full/ altern ate mem ber	Member since (MM/YY)	Name	Position	Organization	Gen der	Meetings attended (2019 to 31 st Aug 2022)
Government	Full	March 2019	Mr. Moses Kaggwa	Director Economic Affairs	Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development	Μ	21
	Full	May 2019	Mr. Robert Tugume	Assistant Commissioner, Development and Production	Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development	Μ	22
	Full	July 2020	Mr. David Sebagala	Senior Inspector of Mines	Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development	Μ	9
	Full	March 2019	Ms. Allen Bucyana	Assistant Commissioner, Litigation	Ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs	F	16
	Full	March 2019	Ms. Gloria T Akatuhurira	Supervisor, Legal Affairs	Uganda Revenue Authority	F	16
	Full	Aug 2020	Ms. Sandra Kaitare	Assistant Commissioner, Petroleum and Mining	Uganda Revenue Authority	F	2

	Full	March 2019	Eng. Timothy Tibesigwa	Assistant Commissioner – Mechanical Engineering	Ministry of Works and Transport	Μ	21
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				Service (Operations)			
	Full	March 2019	Mr. Philip Andrew Wabulya	Executive Director, Petroleum Fund	Bank of Uganda	M	18
	Full	March 2019	Mr. Jonan Kandwanaho	Senior Planner, Chemical Industry	National Planning Authority	M	19
	Full	March 2019	Mr. Clovice Bright Irumba	Director Exploration	Petroleum Authority Uganda	M	19
	Full	March 2019	Mr. Isaac Ntujju	Principal Environment Inspector Oil and Gas	National Environment Management Authority	M	3
	Full	March 2019	Dr. Callist Tindimugaya	Commissioner, Water Resources, Planning and Regulations	Ministry of Water and Environment	Μ	1
	Full	June 2022	Mr. Anthony Okello	Principal Economist	Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development	М	6
Proxies of Government	Proxy	August 2020	Ms. Sarah Aijuka	Regional Manager	National Environment Management Authority	F	16

Proxy	Decemb er 2019	Mr. Francis Elungat	Coordinator Oil and Gas	Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development	М	11
Proxy	August 2022	Mr. Joseph Kyeyune	Ag. Manager Natural Resource Management	Uganda Revenue Authority	М	10

	Proxy	July 2020	Mr. John Kennedy Okewling	Senior Mining Engineer	Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development	Μ	15
	Proxy	August 2020	Mr. Peter Rumanzi	Assistant Director, Petroleum Fund	Bank Of Uganda	Μ	6
	Proxy	August 2020	Mr. Albert Orijabo	Assistant Commissioner, Directorate of Water Resources Management	Ministry of Water and Environment	М	1
	Proxy	Septemb er 2022	Mr. James Musherure	Senior National Content Officer	Petroleum Authority of Uganda	М	4
	Proxy	Septemb er 2020	Eng. Abraham Muwanguzi	Manager- Science Planning Department	National Planning Authority	Μ	-
Civil society	Full	May 2019	Mr. Onesmus Mugyenyi	Deputy Executive Director	Advocates Coalition for Environment and Development	Μ	16

	Full	May 2019	Ms. Winfred Ngabiirwe	Executive Director	Global Rights Alert	F	18
	Full	May 2019	Mr. Magara Siragi	Energy and Extractive Industries' Coordinator	Oxfam Uganda	М	19
	Full	May 2019	Ms. Lomonyang Margaret	Executive Director	Karamoja Women Umbrella Organization	F	14
	Full	May 2019	Mr. Gard Benda	Country Director	World Voices Uganda	М	14
Proxies for Civil society	Proxy	April 2021	Mr. Henry Bazira	Executive Director	Water Governance Institute	М	6

Proxy	April 2021	Ms. Regina Navuga	Programme Co- ordinator, Financing for Development Programme	Southern and Eastern Africa Trade, Information and Negotiations Institute (SEATINI)	F	8
Proxy	April 2021	Mr. Paul Twebaze	Executive Director	Pro-Biodiversity Conservationist in Uganda	Μ	11
Proxy	April 2021	Mr. Paul Mulindwa	Coordinator	Kitara Civil Society Organizations' Network	М	5

	Proxy	April 2021	Mr. Sam Mucunguzi	Coordinator	Citizens' Concern Africa	М	15
Industry	Full	Septemb er 2021	Mr. Jean Gavalda	Business Development and Corporate Affairs Director	TotalEnergies	М	1
	Full	June 2021	Mr. John Bosco Bukya	Chairman	Uganda Association of Artisanal & SmallScale Miners Limited	Μ	10
	Full	March 2019	Mr. Obad Noah	Country Representative	Oranto Petroleum Uganda	Μ	23
	Full	March 2019	Dr. Tom Buringuriza	Country Manager	Armour Energy Uganda	M	17
	Full	March 2019	Mr. Emmanuel Mugagga	Chief Financial Officer	Uganda National Oil Company	M	0
	Full	March 2020	Dr. Jennifer Hinton	Country Head Jervois Mining	Uganda Chamber of Mines and Petroleum	F	5
	Full	March 2019	Dr. Elly Karuhanga	Board Chairperson	Uganda Chamber of Mines and Petroleum	Μ	3

Proxies for Industry	Proxy	July 2020	Mr. Faustine Mugisha	Joint Ventures Commercial Manager	Total Energies	М	18
	Proxy	March 2020	Ms. Sandra Mwesigye	Legal Advisor	China National Offshore Oil Company	F	13
	Proxy	March 2020	Ms. Muhanguzi T. Ingrid	Legal Advisor	China National Offshore Oil Company	F	10
	Proxy	July 2020	Mr. Aggrey Ashaba	Advisory Board member	Uganda Chamber of Mines and Petroleum	М	1
	Proxy	July 2020	Mr. Humphrey Asiimwe	Chief Executive Officer	Uganda Chamber of Mines and Petroleum	М	1
	Proxy	July 2020	Ms. Emilly Nakamya	Business Planning and Performance Manager	Uganda National Oil Company	F	21
	Proxy	June 2021	Mr. Emmanuel Kibirige	National Coordinator	Uganda Association of Artisanal & SmallScale Miners Limited	М	9

2. Changes in membership in the period under review and the reason behind each change. (i.e., if there are people who have been members in the period under review but no longer are.) Please fill out the table below. Add rows when necessary.

Constituency	Name of former member	End of MSG membership (MM/YY))	Reason for membership ending	Replaced by
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Government (MoFA)	Mr. Allan Ndagije Mugarura	October 2019	Transferred abroad	Ms. Juliet Magala Nakawuma
Government	Ms. Juliet Magala Nakawuma	Dec 2020	Transferred abroad	Mr. Jesse Musinguzi
Government	Mr. Jesse Musinguzi	April 2021	Transferred abroad	No replacement
Government (URA)	Mr. Silaji Kanyesigye Baguma	August 2020	Left Institution	Ms. Sandra Kaitare
Government (URA)	Mr. Evans Mwesigye	August 2022	Left institution	Mr. Joseph Kyeyune
Government	Mr. Albert Orijabo	March 2023	Dormant membership	Ms. Sophie Luwano
Industry	Ms. Catherine Wabomba	March 2023	Left institution	Mr. Humphrey Asiimwe

Government	Mr. Kosia Kasibayo	August 2022	Left institution	Mr. James Musherure
Industry	Ms. Janet Nayebale	July 2020	Left institution	Not yet replaced
Industry	Mr. Nathan Morgan	August 2021	Left institution	Mr. Jean Gavalda
Industry	Ms. Yuping Song	July 2023	Returned to HQ	Manager Legal Department
Industry	Ms. Mariam Nampeera Mbowa	Country Manager Tullow Oil Uganda	Tullow Oil closed its operation in Uganda in October 2020	Not replaced
Industry	Ms. Susan Busingye	Tullow Oil Uganda Joint Venture Coordinator Sep 2020	Tullow Oil closed its operation in Uganda in October 2020	Not replaced

3. MSG working groups and technical committees. If the MSG has established working groups or committees, please describe briefly their mandate and membership.

The MSG has seven committees and five report production working groups.

The committees are the following:

I. The Scope and Materiality of Revenue Streams Committee.

This was formed at the 9th MSG Meeting held on 10th December 2020. Its function is to take lead in determining the Scope and Materiality of Revenues Streams for the production of the EITI

Report and advise the MSG on revenues matters. The members are Ms. Emilly Nakamya (Government), Mr. Joseph Kyeyune (Government), Mr. John K. Okewling (Government) and Siragi Magara (CSO).

II. Committee on Contract Disclosure and Legal Affairs

Its function is to take lead on implementing activities in the work plan regarding contract disclosure and advise the MSG on legal affairs.

a) Contracts Disclosure Committee

It was formed at the 8th MSG Meeting held on 25th September 2020. It is composed of Ms. Winfred Ngabiirwe (CSO), Mr. Siragi Magara (CSO), Mr. David Sebagala (Government), Robert Tugume (Government), Mr. Clovice Bright Irumba (Government) and Dr. Tom Buringuriza (Industry).

b) Legal Affairs Committee

It was formed at the 10th MSG Meeting held on 18th February 2021. It is composed of Ms. Sandra Mwesigye (Industry), Ms. Gloria T. Akatuhurira (Government), Mr. Onesmus Mugyenyi (CSO) and Ms. Allen Bucyana (Government).

Note: The Contract and Legal Affairs committees were merged at the 13th MSG meeting held on 9th September 2021 to form one committee, the Committee on Contract Disclosure and Legal Affairs.



III. The Environment Committee

This was formed at the 11th MSG Meeting held on 29th April 2021. Its function is to take lead on implementing activities in the work plan regarding environment. The members are Mr. Isaac Ntujju (Government), Ms. Sarah Aijuka (Government), Ms. Jennifer Hinton (Industry), Mr. Sam Mucunguzi (CSO), Mr. Jesse Musinguzi (Government) and Dominasio Owor (Government).

IV. Local Content Committee

This was formed at the 11th MSG Meeting held on 29th April 2021. Its function is to take lead in overseeing Local Content provisions for the EITI report. The members are Mr. Brian Kabalega (Government), Mr. Gard Benda (CSO), Ms. Jessica Kyeyune (Industry), Ms. Kyomugisha Rosette (Industry), Mr. Mathew Kyaligonza (Industry) Mr. James Musherure (Government), Mr. Kenneth Babihemaiso (Government) Mr. Jonan Kandwanaho (Government) and Mr. Timothy Tibesigwa (Government).

V. Communications Committee

Its function is to oversee the communication activities in the Work Plan. This was formed at the 12th MSG Meeting held from 28th June - 2nd July 2021. It is composed of Mr. Francis Elungat (Government), Mr. Peter Rumanzi (Government), Mr. Jesse Musinguzi (Government), Mr. Siragi Magara (CSO), Mr. Gard Benda (CSO), Mr. Faustine Mugisha (Industry), Mr. Obad Noah (Industry) and Mr. George Lugalambi (Consultant).

VI. Work Plan Committee

The first work plan committee was formed on the 13th January 2020, before Uganda joined EITI to lead the preparation of Uganda's first EITI work plan which was a condition for joining EITI. Its members were Ms. Gloria T. Akatuhurira (Government), Mr. Faustin Mugisha (Industry) and Mr. Siraji Magara (CSO).

A second work plan committee was formed at the 28th MSG Meeting held on 27th July 2023 to finalise the development of the current work plan. It is composed of Mr. Robert Tugume (Government), Mr. Siragi Magara (CSO) and Kenneth Asimwe (Industry).

VII. UGEITI Report Committee

Its functions are to review the Report during its preparation. It was formed at the 23rd MSG Meeting held on 1st December 2022.

It is composed of Ms. Gloria T. Akatuhurira (Government), Mr. Paul Twebaze (CSO), Mr. Henry Bazira (CSO), Mr. Faustin Mugisha (Industry), Mr. Emmanuel Kibirige (Industry).

The UGEITI Report production working groups are the following:

Its functions are to provide input to different sections in the Contextual part of the report. They were formed at the 26th MSG Meeting held on 16th June 2023.



a) Local Content



Mr. James Musherure (Government), Ms. Emilly Nakamya (Industry), Mr. Obad Noah (Industry), Ms. Victoria Kinobe Nakatudde (Government), Mr. Clovice Bright Irumba (Government) and Mr. Dan Denis Agaba (Secretariat).

b) Gender

Ms. Winfred Ngabiirwe (CSO), Ms. Emilly Nakamya (Industry), Mr. Clovice Bright Irumba (Government) and Ms. Bronia Arinda (Secretariat).

c) Environment

Ms. Sarah Aijuka (Government), Ms. Sophie Luwano (Government), Mr. Timothy Tibesigwa (Government), Mr. Mathias Ssenkaali (Industry) and Mr. Edwin Kanakulya Kavuma (Secretariat).

d) Revenue

Mr. Joseph Kyeyune (Government), Ms. Regina Navuga (CSO), Ms. Gloria T. Akatuhurira (Government), Mr. John Kennedy Okewling (Government), The OAG Team and Mr. Edgar Mutungi (Secretariat).

e) Mining

Mr. John Kennedy Okewling (Government), Mr. John Bosco Bukya (Industry), Mr. Emmanuel Kibirige (Industry), Mr. Paul Lokol (Government) and Mr. Francis Garvin Okello (Secretariat).

Validation Working Group

In preparation for Validation, a working group was formed at the 24th MSG Meeting held on 23rd February 2023 to oversee the Validation process.

It is composed of Ms. Winfred Ngabiirwe (CSO), Mr. Sam Mucunguzi (CSO), Ms. Emilly Nakamya (Industry), Ms. Jennifer Hinton (Industry), Mr. Joseph Kyeyune (Government) and Engineer David Sebagala (Government).

National Beneficial Ownership Committee This is not an MSG committee but its formation and activities were facilitated by the MSG.

Its functions are to:

- study the legal and institutional framework (Gap assessment) for beneficial ownership disclosure for development of a beneficial ownership legal and institutional reform plan. - identify or create links between beneficial ownership transparency and national reform priorities and, draft a definition for beneficial ownership and Politically Exposed Persons (PEPs) for Uganda's case etc.

The members are: Mr. T. Kamugaba Musinguzi (Government), Ms. Patrica Opoka (Government), Ms. Allen Bucyana (Government), and Ms. Brenda Mahoro (FIA).

2. MSG Terms of Reference and practices

4. Link(s) to publicly available MSG Terms of Reference and/or other documents containing the provisions of Requirement 1.4.b.

https://www.ugeiti.org/msg-terms-of-reference/



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5. Date of MSG approval of its latest Terms of Reference or similar document containing the provisions under EITI Requirement 1.4.b.

The ToRs were approved at the 4th meeting of the MSG held on 13th September 2019, and revised at the 6th MSG Meeting held on the 20/02/2020.

6. MSG's policies and practices. Please fill out the table below.

Elements of MSG Terms of Reference (1.4.b)			
	Where is the policy documented?	Briefly describe practices in the period under review. Please explain any discrepancies between the ToR and the practice.	
The role, responsibilitie	s and rights of the MSG		
Definition of the role, responsibilities and rights of the MSG and its members. a) The role of the MSG. b) The responsibilitie s of the MSG.	[e.g. "MSG ToR, section 3" or "Presidential Decree n 100"] MSG ToR Section 3 MSG ToR Section 4	[Have the roles, responsibilities and rights been respected in practice?] Yes The various MSG Committees and Working Groups as stated in Section 3 (MSG Working groups and Technical Committees) above carry out their roles which complement the role, responsibilities and rights of the MSG as defined in Section 4 a - m of the ToRs. The minutes of the Committee meetings are appended to this section.	
Adherence to the EITI Association code of conduct, including	MSG ToR Schedule One MSG Code of Conduct	[Has the code of conduct been adhered to in practice? If conflicts of interest have	



addressing conflicts of interest.		emerged, how have these been addressed?] Yes, no conflicts have emerged so far among members. All members have adhered to the code of conduct since the country started implementing EITI.
Approval of wo oversight of im	•	



[e.g. "MSG ToR, or section 3" "Presidential Decree n 100"] MSG ToR Section	
4e	[Did the MSG approve the latest work plan? If yes, when?]
	Yes, it was approved on 31^{st} August 2023 at the 28 th MSG meeting, after the following discussions –
	 First Pre-Validation Training held from 30th May – 2nd June 2023.
	ii. The MSG Work Plan
	Committee meeting held on 2 nd August 2023
	https://www.ugeiti.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/09/W ork-Plan-Committee-Meeting- Minutes-2nd-August-2023.pdf
	 iii. Second Pre-validation training held from 26th – 27th July 2023. Emails were sent out to individual constituencies requesting members to consult widely.
	At the 28 th MSG Meeting held on 31 st August 2023, it was discussed and approved subject to amendments. It was published on 6 th September 2023 on the UGEITI Website. https://www.ugeiti.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/09/UG EITI-Work-Plan-2023-2024.pdf



Oversight of the EITI reporting process and engagement in Validation, including approval of Independent Administrator ToRs and EITI Reports.	Section 6 (b)	 [Is the MSG providing effective oversight of implementation? Has the MSG approved ToRs and EITI Reports? If yes, when?] The ToRs of the IA for production of the first report were approved at the 13th MSG Meeting held on 29th April, 2021. A steering committee for report oversight was constituted at the 16th MSG meeting on 7th December 2021. The members were Mr. Henry Bazira (CSO), Ms. Gloria Akatuhurira (Government) and Mr. Emmanuel Kibirge (industry). The OAG, who are official observer members of the MSG were also on the steering committee. This committee oversaw the work of the IA and the production of the first report. The first EITI Report was approved at the 19th MSG Meeting held on 10th and 12th May 2022, and published on 16th May 2022. https://www.ugeiti.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/03/UG EITI-Report-FY-2019-2020.pdf The ToRs of the IA for production of the second Report were approved at the 22nd MSG Meeting held on the 17th November 2022. The members on the oversight committee for the production of the second Report were nominated at the 23nd MSG Meeting held on 1st December 2022. The members were Mr. Paul Twebaze (CSO) and Ms. Gillian Mercy Lawino (Government).



		The second EITI Report was approved at the 27 th MSG Meeting held on 29 th June 2023. It was published on 30 th June 2023. https://www.ugeiti.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/09/UG EITI-Report-FY-2020-2021.pdf Validation Working Group Its functions are to oversee the Validation process. It was formed at the 24 th MSG Meeting held on 23 rd February 2023. It is composed of Ms. Winfred Ngabiirwe (CSO), Mr. Sam Mucunguzi (CSO), Ms. Emilly Nakamya (Industry), Ms. Jennifer Hinton (Industry), Mr. Joseph Kyeyune (Government) and Engineer David Sebagala (Government).
Internal governanc	ce rules and procedu	res
Inclusive decisionmaking process throughout implementation, with each constituency being treated as a partner and with the right to table issues.	[e.g. "MSG ToR, section 3" or "Presidential Decree n 100"] MSG ToR, Section 6 (c) All members on the MSG have equal rights and freely express their views for discussion without any hindrance.	[Have all MSG members been able to table issues for discussion in practice?] Yes, all MSG members have been able to table issues for discussion. This is well documented in all the minutes recorded to date (Section 3: MSG meetings and minutes below).



Procedures for nominating and changing	MSG ToR, Section 5.1 & 5.2	
multistakeholder	Each constituency	
group	has the right to	
representatives,	nominate its own	
incl. alternates	members through	
	the procedures	
	that they choose	
	taking into consideration the	[Indicate the practice in Part I and in constituency- specific questionnaires.]
	need to ensure	
	that procedures	MSG members are appointed by the Chairperson in
	are transparent,	consultation with the relevant institutions for the
	open and	Government and Industry constituencies. The CSO
	representative.	constituency has its unique

		documented methodology for appointment of members.
Decision-making procedures, e.g. rules for voting and quorum	MSG ToR, Section 7 If a vote is required, resolutions are adopted by a majority requiring the support of at least two thirds of the total votes cast. For the avoidance of doubt, each constituency shall have one vote. The quorum of an MSG meeting shall be a minimum of half the MSG members and must include at least one third of the MSG members from each constituency.	[Have the decision-making procedures been followed in practices? Has the MSG taken any decisions by vote?] All decision-making procedures have been followed as documented in the ToRs. Yes. The MSG has voted on 1) revenue materiality
		thresholds for EITI reporting, at the 15 th MSG meeting, 17 th November 2021.
		 Choice of languages for report translation, at the 21st MSG meeting, 8th Sep 2022.
		 Number of mining companies to be included in the reconciliation scope of the 2nd EITI report, at the 23rd MSG meeting, 1st December 2022.



Duration of the MSG's mandate	MSG ToR, Section 5.2 Members shall be appointed for an initial term of three (3) years, renewable once.	[Have provisions regarding the duration of the MSG's mandated been respected in practice?] The provisions regarding the duration of the MSG's mandate have been respected in practice as documented in the ToRs.
Per diems	MSG ToR, Schedule One, MSG Code of Conduct, 8(b)	[Were per diems for MSG meetings paid out in the period under review? If yes, what was the per diem per meeting and how much was paid out in total?]

		Yes, the per diems for MSG meetings were paid out in the period under review. Each member that attended received UGX 90,000 (USD 24.3) per meeting. The total amount paid out (from the 1 st to the 25 th MSG was 83,840,000 UGX (22,660 USD).
Frequency of meetings	MSG ToR, Section 6(a) At least one meeting per quarter	[How often did the MSG meet in the period under review?] MSG meeting schedule is appended to this section.



Advance notice of meetings and timely circulation of documents	MSG ToRs, Section 6(e) Notice of an upcoming MSG meeting and agenda and accompanying reading materials will be circulated by the UGEITI National Secretariat at least five (5) days in advance.	[How much advance notice was given for MSG meetings? How much ahead of meetings were documents circulated?] A document detailing notice of meetings and time between meeting and notice is attached as Appendix One. Requests are always sent to members seeking for confirmations of attendance. The confirmations are sent through email or WhatsApp.
Record- keeping	MSG ToRs, Section 10(g) All the minutes of MSG meetings are available on the website https://www.ugeiti.org/publicationsreports/#minutes Hard copies of all documents are also stored in the Secretariat's archives. It is expected that with time all Uganda EITI documents will be published online.	[Were written records kept of MSG discussions in the period under review?] Yes, the minutes of all MSG meetings are documented and published on the UGEITI WEBSITE https://www.ugeiti.org/publicat ions-reports/#minutes The links to all MSG meeting minutes are also provided in Section 7 of this template, including the dates when meetings were held.
Other aspec	ets covered in the ToR that the MSG wishes to highlight	

3. MSG meetings and minutes

7. Please provide the dates and a link to the published minutes of MSG meetings that have taken place in the period under review or provide any unpublished minutes as an attachment.

22/03/2019 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/1st-MSGmeetingminutes.pdf



30/05/2019 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/2nd-MSGmeetingminutes.pdf

10/06/2019 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/3rd-MSGmeetingminutes.pdf

13/09/2023 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/4th-MSGmeetingminutes.pdf

05/12/2019 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/5th-MSGmeetingminutes.pdf

20/02/2020 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/6th-MSGmeetingminutes.pdf

02/07/2020 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/7th-MSGmeetingminutes.pdf

25/09/2020 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/8th-MSGmeetingminutes.pdf

10/12/2020 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/9th-MSGmeetingminutes.pdf

18/02/2021 <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/10TH-MSG-meetingminutes.pdf</u>

29/04/2021 <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/11th-MSG-Meeting-29thApril-2021-Minutes.pdf</u>

28/06/2021 <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/12th-MSG-Meeting-</u>24thJune-2021-Minutes.pdf



02/07/2021 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/12th-MSG-Meeting-24thJune-2021-Minutes.pdf

09/09/2021 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/13TH-MSG-MEETING..pdf

07/10/2021 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/14th-MSG-Meeting-7thoctober-2021.pdf

17/11/2021 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/15th-MSG-Meeting-17thNovember-2021.pdf

07/12/2021 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/16th-MSG-Meeting-7thDecember-2021.pdf

18/02/2022 <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/17th-MSG-Meeting-18thFebruary-2022.pdf</u>

21/04/2022 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/18th-MSG-Meeting-21stApril-2022.pdf

10/05/2022 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/19th-MSG-Meeting-10thMay-2022.pdf

21/07/2022 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/20th-MSG-Meeting-21stJuly-2022.pdf

8/09/2022 <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/21st-MSG-Meeting-8thSeptember-2022.pdf</u>

17/11/2022 <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/22nd-MSG-Meeting-17thNovember-2022.pdf</u>

1/12/2022 <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/23rd-MSG-Meeting-1stDecember-2022.pdf</u>

23/02/2023 https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/24th-MSG-Meeting-23rdFebruary-2023.pdf

1/04/2023 <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/25th-MSG-Meeting-13thApril-2023.pdf</u>

26th MSG <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/26th-MSG-Meeting-16thJune-2023.pdf</u>

The MSG emphasizes institutional representation, and attendance by members is shared between full member and proxy. There are instances where the proxy has consistently attended on behalf of the institution, and the full member's attendance has been minimal. The MSG considers this adequate, as long as the institution is represented in meetings.

There are also some institutions that were originally thought to be central to EITI implementation, but have since proved not to be crucial. Their lack of representation is therefore not considered detrimental, and their institutional representation will be gradually phased out.



4. MSG approval

8. Date of MSG approval of this submission.

28th September 2023 at the 29th Meeting of the MSG.

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The Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development (MoFPED) issued a public statement on Uganda's intention to join EITI. (Public statement can be accessed at https://eiti.org/sites/default/files/attachments/public statement on uganda_joining_eiti.pdf)

Hon. Peter Lokeris (State Minister for Minerals Development) remarks at the launch of second UGEITI Report. <u>Remarks-of-the-Hon.-MEMD-LAUNCH-OF-UGANDAS-SECOND-EITI-REPORT-ATSHERATON-HOTEL.pdf (ugeiti.org)</u>

Hon. Amos Lugolobi, (State Minister for planning- MoFPED) at the remarks at the launch of second UGEITI Report. <u>Remarks-of-the-State-Minister-MoFPED.pdf (ugeiti.org)</u>

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Hon. Haruna Kasolo's (State Minister for Micro-Finance- MoFPED) remarks at the 2nd PreValidation Training of MSG, 2023. <u>Remarks-of-the-State-Minister-at-Prevalidation-TrainingWorkshop.pdf (ugeiti.org)</u>

Hon. Opolot Okaasai (State Minister for Energy) remarks at the Private Sector engagement on EITI,2023. (<u>Remarks-of-the-State-Minister-at-Private-Sector-Engagement-held-at-Kabira-CountryClub.pdf (ugeiti.org)</u>)

Hon, Ruth Nankabirwa (Minister of Energy and Mineral Development) remarks at the East African Petroleum Conference on 9th May 2023. She stated that: "Uganda is also an active member of the Extractives Industry Transparency Initiative (EITI) and this has further helped to enhance the governance and transparency aspects of the oil and gas sector."

<u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Remarks-of-Minister-of-Energy-</u> andMineral-Development.pdf

Some other useful of the links are:

https://www.monitor.co.ug/uganda/business/commodities/government-yet-to-commit-tooiltransparency-initiative-1551832

https://www.monitor.co.ug/uganda/news/national/government-to-make-oil-gas-miningdealingspublic-1921690

https://www.newvision.co.ug/category/business/govt-launches-first-extractive-industries-tra-135901

https://observer.ug/viewpoint/76187-africa-should-be-energy-reliant

https://observer.ug/viewpoint/77212-eacop-and-the-uganda-tanzania-ties-that-bind

2. Name and position of senior individual leading implementation.



EITI Champion - Hon. Haruna Kyeyune Kasolo, Minister of State for Microfinance and Small Enterprises, (MoFPED)

EITI Champion – Hon. Peter Lokeris, Minister of State for Minerals, Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development (MEMD)

Mr. Moses Kaggwa - MSG Chairperson (Ag. Director Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development)

3. Describe the process for nominating government MSG members, including whether consideration was given to ensuring the seniority and diversity of representation.

Agreed procedure for selecting government MSG members	Practice in the period under review
Existing government procedures: Cabinet Minute Extract directing the Minister of Finance to appoint members from relevant institutions to be part of the MSG to lead EITI implementation. In addition, the Government MSG members also follow the ToRs as documented in Section 5 d:	A stakeholder mapping was done by Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development (MoFPED) to identify relevant institutions for the implementation of EITI. These include MoFPED, Ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs (MoJCA), Ministry of Works and Transport (MoWT), Ministry of Energy and Minerals Development (MEMD), Bank of Uganda (BoU), Uganda Revenue Authority (URA), National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA), National Planning Authority
Each constituency has the right to nominate its own members through the procedures that they choose, taking into consideration the need to ensure that procedures are transparent, open and representative.	(NPA) and Petroleum Authority of Uganda (PAU). Later, Local Governments were also brought on board during the process of implementation. Consequently, the relevant institutions were requested to identify and nominate officers from their respective institutions to the MSG. The institutions through their internal processes identified senior officers who were then nominated by their accounting officers, and then appointed to the MSG by the Hon. Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development.

4. If any MSG representatives changed during the MSG's term, please describe the process followed for replacing them.

	Practice in the period under review
Agreed procedure for replacing government	
MSG members	



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The MSG Terms of Reference spells out the procedures for replacing members. This procedure is found in section 5.2 of the ToR: Terms of Membership - Members shall be appointed for an initial term of three years, renewable once.	When a member leaves office or the position on the MSG falls vacant, the MSG through the MoFPED writes to the institution that has the vacancy requesting for a nominee to replace the member as has been the case with a number of institutions including URA, PAU, Ministry of Water and Environment.
	Consideration is also given to diversity and gender balance of the members in order to ensure that membership reflects the changing nature of the sector and requirements of the EITI Standard.
	Most of the members who have been replaced are either due to normal government transfers or a member being appointed to other positions in a different Ministry or Government Agency.
	For instance, during the period covered, Members from Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) (Ms. Juliet Magala Nakawuma and Ms. Jesse Musinguzi) were transferred to overseas missions and have not yet been replaced while a member from PAU Mr. Kosia Kasibayo was appointed as a Magistrate in Judiciary. He was replaced by another staff member from PAU, Mr. James Musherure Rujoki. A member from URA (Mr. Evans
	Mwesigye) left and was replaced by (Mr. Joseph Kyeyune). This was done by the member institutions at the request of the MSG through the MoFPED. More detailed information can be found in Section 1 above under MSG Members and Attendance above.

5. Government resources directed to EITI implementation in the period under review, such as staff and funding for work plan activities.

The annual government allocation for EITI implementation has increased from UShs. 1.2billion (USD 336,000) to UShs. 2.2 billion towards national EITI work plan implementation. In addition to the direct Government support, the EITI Secretariat received technical and budget support from the European Union. For the current fiscal year 2023/24, Government support is at Ushs.2.2 billion.

The National Coordinator seconded by the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development is a full-time staff member heading EITI operations and implementation.



The National Secretariat is well staffed and its operations are funded by the Government.

MSG Members of the Government Constituency commit staff time and expertise to EITI work plan implementation.

6. Efforts undertaken by the government to ensure an enabling environment for company and CSO participation in the EITI and/or to remove any obstacles to EITI disclosures.

Both the companies and civil society have had an enabling environment to participate in EITI. These two constituencies are fully represented on the MSG where all parties freely discuss issues relating to EITI Implementation. The government, companies and civil society have quarterly meetings under the Joint Venture Partners arrangement where regular updates and feedback are given to all stakeholders and accountability on EITI issues are brought forward and discussed through a participatory process. *Minutes from these meetings are appended to this section of the template*.

Government with support from Development Partners (EU) has spearheaded training of companies that are players in the extractive industry on beneficial ownership transparency and has also undertaken legislative actions to facilitate an enabling environment for beneficial ownership transparency. Reports from these engagements are appended.

<u>Formation of the MSG</u>: Civil society organizations and industry members are active participants in the MSG meetings and have severally chaired the meetings. This is well documented in the various MSG Meeting Minutes in section 3(MSG meetings and minutes) above.

<u>Existing legal frameworks and policies:</u> National Oil and Gas Policy 2008, Oil and Gas Revenue Management Policy, 2012, Public Finance Management Act,2015 the Mining and Minerals Policy,2018, National Content Policy, the Access to Information Act 2005, the NGO Act 2016, and the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (Implementation of the Pact on Security, Stability and Development in the Great Lakes Region) Act 2018, among others constitute an enabling legal framework for stakeholder participation in EITI implementation.

Government has ensured that there is open civic space for advocacy through public debates and symposiums. This is well documented in Part IV of the template (Civil Society engagement).

Government institutions and websites are user-friendly and host publicly accessible data and information management systems relevant to EITI implementation. Examples are the Ministry of Finance (MoFPED (www.finance.go.ug), Petroleum Authority of Uganda (PAU) (www.pau.go.ug), and Uganda National Oil Company (UNOC) (www.unoc.co.ug) websites.

Liaison with the broader constituency

3. Describe the government constituency's structures, policies and practices for coordination on EITI matters.

Please provide supporting evidence. If the evidence is available online, please provide a link. If it is not, please annex the evidence to this questionnaire.



III, which is the key driver Departments and engaged.]	constituency, such as coordination groups	Policies and agreed procedures for liaison with the broader constituency	Practice in the period under review
the aspirations and	the National	government MDAs	coordinated on EITI matters in the period
targets in the Vision	Development Plan (NDP)	(Ministries,	under review, including a description of actors
2040. It is thus, a key	III, which is the key driver	Departments and	engaged.]
national strategic	towards the realization of	Agencies) directly	The NDPIII runs for the period 2020/21 to
instrument, that captures	the aspirations and	or indirectly	2024/25, and the EITI implementation plan
key government	targets in the Vision	contribute towards	fully aligns to the NDPIII though
priorities.	2040. It is thus, a key	the realization of	implementation of the annual workplans.
NDP III has 18	national strategic	the aspirations of	Given that transparency and accountability are
NDP III has 18	instrument, that captures	the NDPIII through	key outputs of the "EITI workplan
programmes, seven (7)	key government	their strategic	implementation" as well as in the NDPIII, all key
of which directly	priorities.	plans.	stakeholder institutions through the MSG
contribute to the	NDP III has 18	Specific to EITI,	representatives and their proxies, support the
implementation of the	programmes, seven (7)	through private	realization of activities of the EITI workplan.
sector	of which directly	sector	This has been majorly done under the
of which directly	contribute to the	development	coordination of the EITI secretariat through
contribute to the	implementation of the	programme in the	scheduled meetings, trainings and workshops.
implementation of the	EITI. Each of the	NDPIII, government	The actors engaged include National Planning
programmes have	programmes have	gets to interact	Authority (NPA), Ministry of Energy and
programme working	programme working	with the private	Minerals Development (MEMD), Ministry of
with the private	groups that are chaired	sector and civil	Finance, Planning and Economic Development



Secretary of the Ministry	through the	Constitutional Affairs (MoJCA), Uganda
and the Technical	programme	Revenue Authority (URA) among others.
Working Groups (TWGs)	working groups.	
that are chaired by at		https://acode-u.org/eiti
least a principal		
government officer. EITI		https://www.monitor.co.ug/uganda/news/nat
is emphasized in the		ional/disclose-earnings-from-mineral-
Petroleum Development		dealskabuleta3901272
Programme, under		T I
Upstream sub-		The government constituency convened
programme, and it Is		meetings to discuss various steps in EITI
hinged on the objective		implementation, including consultations on the
of strengthening		work plan, the Annual Progress Report, and the
policy, legal and		2 EITI reports that have been produced to date.
regulatory framework as		Key government institutions including the
well as institutional		Ministry of Energy, the Petroleum Authority of
capacity of oil and gas		Uganda and the Ministry of Finance took the
industry. The key		lead in spearheading discussions centering on
intervention relating to		key aspects of transparency and
EITI is strengthening		accountability, including contract disclosure
governance and		and the recently enacted Mining and Minerals
transparency in the oil		Bill 2022.
and gas sector and the		The National Budget Conference
key output is the EITI mid-		The National Budget Contenence
term workplan		This is the first meeting held by Government
implementation. All		during the annual development of the National
these key documents can		Budget. Country wide consultations are held
be accessed on NPA website:		with all stakeholders during the drafting of the
		National Budget.
http://www.npa.go.ug/		
There are also existing		For the FY 2024/25 Budget Strategy, the
legal frameworks and		conference was held on the 14 th September
policies with provisions		2023, under the theme: Full Monetization of
for implementation of		Uganda's Economy through Commercial
EITI (see Section 6		Agriculture, Industrialization, Expanding and
directly above),		Broadening Services, Digital Transformation
spearheaded by the		and Market Access. At this conference, in her
Ministry of Energy and		speech, the Rt. Hon. Prime Minister, Robinah
Mineral Development.		Nabbanja noted that Government has put in
		place key interventions to drive economic
In addition, under the		growth in line with EITI which include;
Ministerial Development		
Programme in the NDPIII,		- The development of the mineral industry with
the Ministry of Energy		focus on strengthening the regulatory and
and Minerals		governance frameworks that ensure
Development supports		transparency and accountability to attract
the EITI implementation		private capital.
process.		In the contract



officials from all MDAs, Development Partners, CSOs, Academia and Media.

4. Have MSG members sought input from the broader constituency on the following documents. If yes, how and did you receive input?

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The Work Plan FY 2023/24 was circulated and MSG members were requested via email to hold wider consultations.

At the 28th MSG Meeting held on 31st August 2023, it was discussed and approved subject to amendments. The work plan was then published on the UGEITI Website. It can be accessed using the following link: <u>UGEITI COUNTRY WORK PLAN 2023/2024</u>)

Use of data

5. Have government representatives contributed to communicating or using EITI data, including participation in outreach activities?

If yes, please provide examples with links to any supporting evidence, such as reports, speeches or news articles.



Yes. the stakeholders have held wider engagements on using EITI data communicate with the wider public. This has been done through using different outreach activities using both the radio, Television and newspapers and physical gatherings.



The MEMD through DGSM organized an awareness engagement on the Mining and Minerals Regulations from 29th August to 1st September 2023.

The MEMD organized the 10th East African Petroleum Conference which was held on 8th May 2023. At the conference, issues highlighted and discussed ranged from investment promotion to EITI with emphasis on transparency and good governance for the sector.

The following links provide examples on how Government has used EITI data and outreach activities:

https://www.monitor.co.ug/uganda/news/national/government-to-make-oil-gasminingdealings-public-1921690

https://www.monitor.co.ug/uganda/oped/commentary/uganda-is-on-the-right-track-to-makeoilbenefit-citizens-1805292

https://www.monitor.co.ug/uganda/special-reports/uganda-s-oil-gas-dreams-what-is-thesafetynet--3368424

https://www.monitor.co.ug/uganda/oped/commentary/disclose-oil-contracts-to-the-public-3501156

https://observer.ug/viewpoint/77896-oil-revenues-to-boost-sports-development-in-uganda

https://www.independent.co.ug/ugandas-oil-revenue-sharing-question/

https://www.monitor.co.ug/uganda/oped/commentary/oil-revenue-to-boost-sports-devt-4242888

https://www.unoc.co.ug/the-oil-and-gas-projects-are-for-ugandans-betterment/

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MQhih1Sv8UA

https://www.ntv.co.ug/ug/news/business/-40-of-approved-oil-and-gas-contracts-go-to-uganda-4231830 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a9MFWVvHgIE https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZD9eV1hXopE https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4PKmQKxNaHI&t=1s



Sign-off

Please include below the names and contact details of the MSG members from the government constituency who sign off on submitting the above information to the Validation team. Add rows as needed.

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(MSG Chairperson)		
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Clovice Irumba (Petroleum Authority of Uganda)	Clovice.irumba@pau.go.ug	28.09.2023
David Sebagala (Directorate of Geological Survey and Mines)	sebsdavds@gmail.com	28.09.2023
Timothy Tibesigwa	ttibesigwa2000@yahoo.co.uk	28.09.2023
(Ministry of Works and Transport)		
Phillip Wabulya	pwabulya@bou.or.ug	28.09.2023
(Bank of Uganda)		


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Part III: Industry engagement

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1. MSG nominations

1. Describe the process for nominating industry MSG members, including whether consideration was given to ensuring the diversity of representation.



Please provide supporting documentation related to the latest nomination process. This could include the invitation to participate in the MSG, a list of interested organizations or individuals, constituency ToRs, minutes of the election process, etc. If the evidence is available online, please provide a link. If it is not, please annex the evidence to this questionnaire.

Agreed procedure for selecting industry MSG members	Practice in the period under review
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2. If any MSG representatives changed during the MSG's term, please describe the process followed for replacing them.

Agreed procedure for replacing industry MSG	Practice in the period under review
members	



Members are replaced by their individual institutions as and when they leave.	The MSG Chairperson writes to the institution that has a vacancy for the membership to the MSG requesting for a nominee to replace the member.
	Consideration is also given to diversity and gender balance of the members in order to ensure that membership reflects the changing nature of the sector and requirements of the EITI Standard.
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2. Liaison with the broader constituency

3. Describe the company constituency's structures, policies and practices for coordination on EITI matters.

Please provide supporting evidence, such as constituency ToRs, dates and minutes of constituency meetings, number of emails to mailing lists, etc. If the evidence is available online, please provide a link. If it is not, please annex the evidence to this questionnaire.

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a	ssociations		



[Document procedures before activity		
commencement]		
The industry constituency has previously been very siloed with		
companies	[Document procedures before activity commencement]	
operating individually, and	[Compile existing information before activity commencement]	
opportunities for interacting across the sector	Through the EITI process, the industry constituency has come to appreciate the multistakeholder approach in	
being quite limited.	designing interventions for improving the sector.	
[Compile existing	The agreed procedure for consultation has been through the 2 main umbrella bodies (UCMP and	
information	UGAASM), and also amongst the MSG constituency members themselves.	[Please describe how the constitue
before activity commencement]		matters in the period under review
-	The MSG noted the need for wider consultations at the MSG pre-validation meeting held from 30 th May to 1 st	of actors engaged.]
- Any existing working	July 2023.	[Compile existing information on undertaken]
groups	https://www.ugeiti.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/09/ First-MSG-Pre-validationTraining-Workshop.pdf	
- corporate networks		MSG members from the indu engaged in EITI implementation
		MSG meetings, and consulting am
The main structures for liaison within the		EITI process issues, like the wo progress report.
broader		Private Sector engagement on
constituency are the Uganda		On 13 th July 2023, the Uganda
Chamber of		Chamber of Mines and
Mines and Petroleum		Petroleum (UCMP) and ACODE w Domestic Resource
(UCMP), which		Mobilization for Development (D
has over 200		a dialogue to discuss the implem obligations and supportive role
registered members, and		process. This engagement was a
the Uganda		the second UGEITI Report
Artisanal and Small-Scale		FY2020/21. It was attended b different private sector groups
Miners		Uganda Chamber of Mines and



Association (UGAASM), with 158 registered associations encompassing over 15,000 members across the country. Each of these institutions have country wide branches and	
networks.	



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	Petroleum. Other participants ind the UGEITI Multi-stakeholder Group (MSG), Ministry of Energy Development (MEMD), the Mec and the EITI Secretariat.
	The overall objective of the en progress on EITI implementation responsibility and compliance private sector in the implementa
	https://www.ugeiti.org/wpconte ivate-Sector-Engagement-on- EITI-ImplementationReport.pdf

4. Have MSG members sought input from the broader constituency on the following documents. If yes, how and did you receive input?

- a) The latest EITI work plan, including priorities for EITI implementation
- b) The latest annual review of outcomes and impact



a) [Compile existing information on how the activity was undertaken]

The industry constituency discussed the latest work plan and Annual Progress Report within the context of the MSG, i.e. during MSG meetings and discussions.

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For the Work Plan FY 2023/24, all the objectives in the Work Plan FY 2022/23 were retained. This is well documented in the discussions that were held at the first and second Pre-Validation

Training held from 30th May – 2nd June 2023 (<u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/First-MSG-Pre-validation-Training-Workshop.pdf</u>) and 26th – 27th July 2023 <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Second-MSG-Prevalidation-Training-Workshop.pdf</u> respectively.

The current work plan FY 2023/24 was then discussed on 2nd August 2023 by the Work Plan Committee formed at the 27th MSG Meeting held on 29th June 2023. The committee comprised members drawn from the three (3) MSG constituencies. At this meeting, the MSG's comments from the previous meeting were all incorporated.

At the 28th MSG Meeting held on 31st August 2023, the WP was discussed and approved subject to amendments.

3. Use of data

5. Have company representatives contributed to communicating or using EITI data, including participation in outreach activities?

If yes, please provide examples with links to any supporting evidence, such as reports, blogs or news articles.

Private Sector engagement on EITI Implementation

In order to create a space for engagement with the private sector, on 13th July 2023, the Uganda Chamber of Mines and Petroleum and ACODE with support from USAID Domestic Resource Mobilization for Development (DRM4D) project organized this dialogue to discuss the implementation of EITI, the obligations and supportive role of private sector to the process. This engagement was also used to disseminate the second UGEITI Report FY2020/21. It was attended by 57 participants drawn from different private sector groups under the umbrella of



Uganda Chamber of Mines and Petroleum. Other participants included representatives of the UGEITI Multi-stakeholder Group (MSG), Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development (MEMD), the Media fraternity, Observers and the EITI Secretariat.

The overall objective of the engagement was to share progress on EITI implementation and elaborate on the responsibility and compliance requirements for the private sector in the implementation process. <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/PrivateSector-Engagement-on-EITI-Implementation-Report.pdf</u>

EACOP

A workshop organized by the Civil Society Coalition on Oil and Gas (CSCO) involving industry players and stakeholders in the Oil and Gas sector was held by and to provide clarification on a number of issues related to the East African Crude Oil Pipeline (EACOP) project, in particular concerning the EU Parliament Resolution (Emergency Resolution) that was passed on 15th September 2022.

The general output of the workshop was to engage EACOP to provide clarification on a number of issues affecting the project as well as the current status of and related developments of the project. The UGEITI Secretariat participated in the workshop and used the opportunity to highlight Uganda's EITI membership, and the publication of its first report.

https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/ECOP-Civil-Society-Coalition-on-Oiland-Gas-Workshop.pdf

The following links provide examples on how Industry has used EITI data and outreach activities:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KPyaXBZgGzs

https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=YPY5GQWuZZ8

https://www.ntv.co.ug/ug/news/business/-40-of-approved-oil-and-gas-contracts-go-

touganda--4231830 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KI8DPrPPC k&t=234s

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yg-D6PLAYlc; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pO066hY663c; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a9MFWVvHglE https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4PKmQKxNaHI&t=1s



4. Obstacles to participation

6. If company representatives have experienced any obstacles to participation in the EITI, please describe and specify these obstacles below or convey your concerns directly to the Validation team (<u>fparis@eiti.org</u>) by the commencement of the Validation. Please provide supporting evidence if available. Requests for confidentiality will be respected.

There have been and continue to be no obstacles for industry representatives' participation in the EITI process.

5. Sign-off

7. Please include below the names and contact details of the MSG members from the industry constituency who sign off on submitting the above information to the Validation team. Add rows as needed.

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Stakeholder engagement – template for EITI data collection



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Introduction

The EITI requires effective multi-stakeholder oversight, including a functioning multistakeholder group that involves the government, companies, and the full, independent, active and effective participation of civil society.

The key requirements related to multi-stakeholder oversight include: (1.1) government engagement; (1.2) industry engagement; (1.3) civil society engagement, including <u>EITI</u> <u>Protocol: Participation of civil society</u>, and (1.4) the establishment and functioning of a multi-stakeholder group.

The purpose of this template is to collect information from MSG members about the implementation of these provisions. Parts I to IV of this template should be completed and submitted to the International Secretariat by the commencement of Validation.

Part I: MSG oversight addresses Requirement 1.4.b and should be approved by the MSG before submission to the International Secretariat.



Parts II to IV should be completed by each constituency and submitted to the International Secretariat. These should be shared with the MSG for information.

The Validation team will undertake virtual or in-person consultations to gather additional information. Ahead of the Validation, a public call for stakeholder views will be launched by the International Secretariat.

Part IV: Civil society engagement

This questionnaire seeks to collect information from civil society MSG members about the engagement of civil society in the EITI process from _ to _ [insert period under review]. Civil society MSG members are requested to fill out the form together and either submit it directly to the Validation team (xxx@eiti.org) or request the National Coordinator to submit it. The deadline for submitting the form to the Validation team is (insert Validation commencement date). It is recommended that civil society MSG members coordinate to agree one submission. Diverging views within the constituency can be documented in the form. The signatories of the submission should be indicated at the bottom of the form. Stakeholders may contact the Validation team directly to provide additional views.

1. MSG nominations

1. Describe the process for nominating civil society MSG members, including whether consideration was given to ensuring the diversity of representation.

Please provide supporting documentation related to the latest nomination process. This could include the invitation to participate in the MSG, a list of interested organizations or individuals, constituency ToRs, minutes of the election process, etc. If the evidence is available online, please provide a link. If it is not, please annex the evidence to this questionnaire.

Agreed procedure for replacing	Practice in the period under review
civil society MSG members	



There is an agreed procedure established in the Terms of reference.	There was a centralized request that came through an umbrella civil society forum – Ngo Forum. Communication was thus channeled to respective sectoral sub-constituents especially NGOs working on extractives sector. CSCO and Publish What You Pay took leadership but widened the scope by bringing on board regional chapters from communities hosting extractive resources Bunyoro, Karamoja.
	There was an elaborate process of nomination of civil society MSG members. The process started with development and dissemination of the Terms of Reference, which were developed in a participatory manner. This was followed by compilation of an inventory of the civil society organizations, which were then invited to participate in the election process. There was development of the CSCO convening team, charged with steering the process. With guidance from the TOR, the convening/steering team requested for expressions of interest from members of the wider civil society intending to be MSG representatives. The criteria for selection were also developed based on the key competences and qualifications. The shortlisted members were then presented in the wider civil society assembly. The members were allowed to openly campaign in an open election. Voting was done, taking into consideration diversity, regional representation, gender aspects. 5 Members of civil society were thus elected on the MSG. Following the same process, the Civil society constituency elected the proxy members of the MSG. see the following documents for ease of reference:
	1. Constituency ToRs
	2. Minutes of the election process
	3. Documentation of Civil Society's Participation in the Formative Stages of EITI at National Level Narrative Report February 2020 accessed at;
	https://eiti.org/sites/default/files/attachments/civil_society_participation_in_ sign-up_processes.pdf
	https://ngoforum.or.ug/2021/04/01/cso-representatives-eiti-msg- ugandaelected https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4PKmQKxNaHI&t=1s
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2. If any MSG representatives changed during the MSG's term, please describe the process followed for replacing them.



Agreed procedure for replacing civil society MSG members	Practice in the period under review
As per the ToR, the agreed procedure for replacement of the MSG member is through the whole nomination and election process.	During the term of the MSG no civil society member was replaced.

2. Liaison with the broader constituency

3. Describe the civil society constituency's structures, policies and practices for coordination on EITI matters.

Please provide supporting evidence, such as constituency ToRs, dates and minutes of constituency meetings, number of emails to mailing lists, etc. If the evidence is available online, please provide a link. If it is not, please annex the evidence to this questionnaire.

Structures in place for liaison with the broader constituency, such as networks	Policies and agreed procedures for liaison with the broader constituency	Practice in the period under review
As such the meeting resolved to form a CSO Forum on EITI which was termed the Committee of the Whole House. It identified the conveners, formed a core team to steer the process and developed a CSO Roadmap for CSOs on EITI. PWYP-Uganda and Civil Society Coalition on Oil and Gas (CSCO) were nominated as conveners with the mandate to coordinate all the CSO participation including organizing the CSO EITI Assembly to nominate	CSO Road map CSO Manifesto CSO Terms of reference	 The committee of the Whole House and the Conveners PWYP & CSCO have continued to work through a number of other existing CSO membership structures to implement EITI workplan and road map. These include; NGO Forum (Broader and National) Bunyoro Albertine Petroleum Network on Environmental Conservation (BAPENECO) – Regional Network for Bunyoro



the CSO representatives to the MSG. Meanwhile the Core Team included Global Rights Alert (GRA), CSCO, CSBAG, PWYP and ACODE. The Core Team would work with the Conveners to operationalize the Roadmap.	 Karamoja Women Network-regional Network for Karamoja Region Uganda Law Society Uganda Consortium for Corporate Accountability Northern Albertine Network on Environment and Petroleum (NANEP) – Regional Network for Greater Northern Uganda Albertine Graben Oil and Gas Districts Association (AGODA). Uganda Local Governments Association (ULGA).
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4. Have MSG members sought input from the broader constituency on the following documents. If yes, how and did you receive input?

- a) The latest EITI work plan, including priorities for EITI implementation
- b) The latest annual review of outcomes and impact

The Civil Society constituency has organized series of meetings in which members have evaluated progress on the implementation of the workplan and also sought for members input on the activities for the new workplan. These meetings include;

A Civil Society EITI Multi-Stake Holder Group Meeting was organized by ACODE and CSCO on the 29th August 2023.At the meeting, the following were discussed: Reflection of Civil Society Representation on Uganda's MSG; Environment and Climate Change reporting in EITI; Uganda's Theory of Change and Plans for the next five years; and Uganda's EITI WP FY 2023/24 and proposals.

A meeting organized by Global Rights Alert in Collaboration with Karamoja Women Group In Mbale (Venue, date, numbers of participants)

A meeting organized by CSCO/ACODE to disseminate the UGEITI report and seek for stakeholder input into the UGEITI workplan for the year 2022/2023. The one-day meeting



was organized at Hoima Buffalo Hotel, on November 2022. <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/09/Dissemination-of-UGEITI-Report-</u> <u>FY-2019-2020-and-Work-PlanFY-2022-2023.pdf</u>

A meeting organized by PWYP Uganda to review the implementation of UGEITI and seek input to the development of the UGEITI workplan, held Imperial Royale Kampala on 25th October 2022.

A meeting organized by CSCO/ACODE, NRGI, GRA, and Impact to disseminate the UGEITI report and seek for stakeholder input into the UGEITI workplan for the year 2022/2023. The one-day meeting was organized at Skyz Hotel Kampala. https://www.ugeiti.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/09/CSOs-consultative-meeting-on-the-EITI-Workplan-2022-2023.pdf

A meeting Skyz; CSCO reports (2yrs); PWYP- Imperial; Oxfam- Speke (Energy Transition); Resource Rights Africa- Karamoja. <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/2023/09/Dessemination-of-UGEITI-Report-FY-2019-2020-in-</u> <u>KaramojaRegion.pdf</u>

PWYP streamlined the EITI workplan in its general plan.

Mubende – led to representation of ASM on the MSG <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wpcontent/uploads/2021/10/Report-of-the-MSG-Engagement-in-Mubende-Kasanda-MiningArea.pdf</u>

MEMO-that was developed to inform the development of the second workplan.

3. Use of data

5. Have civil society representatives contributed to communicating or using EITI data, including participation in outreach activities or use of EITI data in advocacy and campaigns?

If yes, please provide examples with links to any supporting evidence, such as reports, blogs or news articles.

The civil society representatives have contributed to communicating and using EITI Data. They have participated in a number of outreach programs and carried out advocacy campaigns. They have also been able to use EITI data to publish several articles in both print and electronic media. They have also participated in a number of Television and Radio Talk shows.



Regional stakeholders' engagement organized by Bunyoro Albertine Petroleum Network on Environment Conservation (BAPENECO) on 24th August 2023. The purpose of the engagement was to create community awareness about the availability of the EITI report to promote accountability and improve participation of local communities in the extractive sector.



The objectives of the meeting were:

- To disseminate the EITI report to stakeholders at sub-national level and create discussion on elements that relate to business and human rights within the report.
- To enhance awareness of Beneficial Ownership in the oil region in further promotion of avenues for enhancing business and human rights. <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Dissemination-of-EITIReport-FY-2020-2021-and-awareness-creation-on-Beneficial-ownership.pdf</u>

A consultative meeting was convened by the Advocates Coalition for Environment and Development (ACODE) in partnership with the Albertine Graben Oil Districts Association (AGODA) and the Civil Society Coalition on Oil and Gas (CSCO). The broader purpose of the meeting was to create a platform for sharing proposals by Local Governments and other stakeholders for shaping a better resource revenue management and shaping the transparency of the revenues through improving reporting of the Uganda EITI.<u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Sub-national-</u> stakeholdersconsultive-meeting-on-EITI-and-extractive-revenue-management-in-Uganda.pdf

2022 ANNUAL RETREAT FOR THE TAX JUSTICE ALLIANCE UGANDA was organized by SEATINI, Tax Justice Alliance Uganda, EATGN and Oxfam from 30th Nov to 2nd Dec. 2022 for capacity building on Double Taxation Agreements where UGEITI's first Report FY 2019/20 was discussed.<u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/SEATINI-TJAUAnnual-Retreat-for-the-Tax-Justice-Alliance-Uganda.pdf</u>

CSCO in collaboration with the Parliamentary Forum on Oil and Gas Sector (PFOG) and the Uganda Parliamentary Network on Illicit Financial Flows and Tax Justice (UPNIFFT) organized a symposium on Extractives Governance and it was held on 7th September, 2022. At this event, the first UGEITI Report FY 2019/2020 was presented. It aimed to improve legislators' capacity to oversee Uganda's oil and gas sector. It provided updates on key developments, discussed emerging issues, and recommendations from the first Uganda EITI report. It also discussed fiscal justice and mitigation of IFFs, and suggested ways parliament could play a more effective role in mitigating sector impacts.

https://www.ugeiti.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/09/Mitigating-Environmental-Challenges-and-EnhancingTransparency-and-Fiscal-Justice-in-the-development-of-Petroleum-Resources.pdf

5th Annual Conference of the Citizen's Convention on Mining

Global Rights Alert, in collaboration with the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development, Advocates Coalition for Development and Environment, Action Aid Uganda, Transparency International Uganda, and the Uganda Association of Artisanal and Small-scale Miners, is organizing the 2021 Citizens' Convention on Mining to promote Africa's preparedness for mineral resources and modernization.



The Convention's overall objective was to harness East Africa's mineral wealth for sustainable regional development while attracting diverse organizations and participants. It created a platform for sector players to discuss issues, share information, and promote accountability and transparency in the minerals sub-sector.

https://www.globalrightsalert.org/sites/default/files/newdocs/CONCEPT%20NOTE 0.pdf



The following links provide examples on how Civil Society has used EITI data and outreach activities:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fv7t22ay7jw

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hJxyERlve14

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZD9eV1hXopE https://www.acode-u.org/videos

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4PKmQKxNaHI&t=1s

<u>Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative: Why Ugandans should pay attention – African</u> <u>Centre for Media Excellence (acme-ug.org)</u>

https://www.monitor.co.ug/uganda/oped/commentary/can-uganda-have-a-transparentoilsector--1680410

4. Obstacles to participation

6. If civil society representatives have experienced any obstacles to participation in the EITI, including the use of publicly available extractive sector data, please describe and specify these obstacles below or convey your concerns directly to the Validation team (XXX@eiti.org) by the commencement of the Validation.

The <u>EITI's civil society protocol</u> requires that the government ensures an enabling environment for civil society engagement in the EITI. Any concerns related to potential breaches of the protocol should be accompanied with a description of the related incident, including its timing, actors involved and the link to the EITI process. If available, supporting documentation should be provided. Requests for confidentiality will be respected.

For purposes of Validation, 'civil society representatives' refer to civil society representatives who are substantively involved in the EITI process, including but not limited to members of the multi-stakeholder group. The 'EITI process' refers to activities related to preparing for EITI sign-up; MSG meetings; CSO constituency side-meetings on EITI, including interactions with MSG representatives; producing EITI Reports; producing materials or conducting analysis on EITI Reports; expressing views related to EITI activities; and expressing views related to natural resource governance.

Provision of the EITI civil society protocol	Potential breach identified in the period under review and accompanying evidence
2.1 Expression: Civil society representatives are able to engage	The civil society representatives have been able to participate in series of public meetings, expressed



in public debate related to the EITI process and express opinions about the EITI process without restraint, coercion or reprisal.	opinions in a number of public fora and platforms, convened and directed debates on the EITI process in Uganda. They have expressed opinions in the media, in meetings, before respective parliamentary committees, on Radio, Television, and online spaces such as twitter.
	Most of these engagements are captured under the section highlighted as MEDIA ENGAGEMENTS below. This has all the relevant links.



2.2 Operation: Civil society representatives are able to operate freely in relation to the EITI process.	The Civil Society Representatives have been able to operate with some level of freedom in relation to EITI Process. They have participated in MSG meetings, CSO constituency side-meetings on EITI, including interactions with MSG representatives, producing EITI reports, producing materials or conducting analysis on EITI reports, expressing views related to EITI activities, and expressing views related to natural resource governance. They have been able to be part of a number of committees on the MSG, and have also been given an opportunity to chair MSG meetings.
	However, there has been some restrictions arising from the stringent administrative and regulatory framework which have limited the CSO engagement effort. Such regulatory restrictions to operation include;
	(a) The stringent NGO Act 2016, NGO regulations 2017, which require NGOs to obtain written approval from the districts before operating in the area, when they are already licensed to operate nationally.
	(b) Limiting civil society access to funds through restriction of donor operations in the country; - For example the closure of the Democratic Governance Facility (DGF) which was a major funding basket for CSOs doing work on extractive and other natural resources governance.
	(c) Limited access to donor funding as a result of the global trends such as the world economic depression, and effects of the COVID 19.
2.3 Association: Civil society representatives are able to communicate and cooperate with each other regarding the EITI process.	CSOs are able to associate, communicate and cooperate with each other. They are able to share information to inform MSG discussions. They have often organized joint meetings, and other informal interactions.



2.4 Engagement: Civil society representatives are able to be fully, actively and effectively engaged in the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the EITI process.	CSO representatives have been able to actively participate in national MSG processes. They have been engaged in the design of the EITI process, have participated in discussion relating to EITI reports, selection of Independent Administrators, defining the scope and methodologies for EITI reporting, design and implementation of the EITI workplan. However, CSO effective participation in monitoring and evaluation of the EITI process is still limited by financial constraints, and restrictions to access extractive sector project sites and documents.
2.5 Access to public decisionmaking: Civil society representatives are able to speak freely on transparency and natural resource governance issues, and ensure that the EITI contributes to public debate.	Civil society has participated in the initiation, design and promotion of UGEITI. CSOs have also facilitated public debate on EITI in Uganda, through meetings, advocacy on Natural resources governance. They have steered debate on transparency and governance issues, influenced public decision- making processes such as – contributing to the review of Extractive Revenue management laws such as the Public Finance Management Act, Company's Act 2012 (as amended), regulations for implementation of the Mining & Minerals Act, contributed to the drafting of the downstream and midstream petroleum laws.

State the positive and good things and the limitations.

The CSOs had a number of engagements relating to civic space in the country. These are highlighted below:

1. Conduct a Regional Dialogue on Civic Space

In July 2022, GRA conducted a regional dialogue on civic space in the Bunyoro sub-region where 57 people in total (13 F, 44 M) attended. As a result of the dialogue, there was clarity in terms of the fees payable by civil society organisations. The ED of the NGO Bureau clarified that fees being charged by local governments were illegal. Local government officials clarified that they were no longer charging such fees. <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Global-Rights-Alert-Summary-Civic-Space-Related-Engagementswith-Government-Entities.pdf</u>

There was also commitment from the NGO Bureau to rectify a number of issues that had affected some CSOs. For instance, Midwestern Region Centre for Democracy and Human Rights (MICOD) is a fully compliant NGO and yet the NGO Bureau had erroneously not included them as a compliant organisation. Their issue was considered for resolution. The dialogue created a space where civil society and government could hold each other



accountable. From the meeting, civil society organisations asked the NGO Bureau to accord them fair hearings while NGO Bureau asked them to be fully compliant with the legal and regulatory framework in place. A number of concerns were taken note of by the bureau to be considered in the review of the NGO Policy process such as creating regional offices.

2. Quarterly Engagements with District Officials in Hoima

In April 2022, GRA attended a quarterly meeting between CSOs and district officials in Hoima district which was attended by 38 people (17F 21 M).

Civil Society Organisations raised the following issues:

- The various fees levied have frustrated the work being done by the various NGOs in the district especially those that are fairly new. The exorbitant fees have made it difficult to comply with the district leadership.
- The District NGO Monitoring Committee has not been active and hence this explains why NGOs have not complied by registering with the district and entering into MoUs with the same.
- NGOs requested for a scheduled timeframe for when District NGO Management Committee meets to ensure that the Committee is aware of the challenges being faced by the NGOs in the district.
- There was heated debate on the persistent clamping down of NGO activities by the Hoima District Local Government. Some members present made it clear that NGO efforts are meant to assist the government and not to be subversive. They reasoned that frustrating NGO work is a double-edged sword that will merely curtail development in the district. NGOs called upon the district leadership to embrace dialogue and collegiality as opposed to issuing of threats and directives during such meetings.
- GRA called upon the district to embrace business and human rights in its approaches. We reminded the leadership that the state has an obligation to respect, protect and promote human rights in their programming.

The meeting however agreed to the following resolutions:

- The meeting agreed that the District NGO Monitoring Committee would meet NGOs operating in the district two weeks at the end of every quarter at the district offices.
- The NGOs appointed a representative called Mr Dickens Amanya to the District NGO Monitoring Committee.
- NGOs agreed to help the district in compiling an inventory for the NGOs in the district. They agreed to share their information before close of April.
- NGOs also agreed to share a file of their work plans and budgets with the district leadership by next week with the CAO. Copies should be made and shared with the District Internal Security Officer (DISO) and the Resident District Commissioner (RDC). <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Global-Rights-Alert-SummaryCivic-Space-Related-Engagements-with-Government-Entities.pdf</u>



On 7th October 2022, they held a CSOs meeting on civic space and the EITI process in Uganda. At the meeting, key highlights of the UGEITI Report FY 2019/20, Work Plan FY 2022/23, Validation, Reflection on Civil Society Protocol and Civil Society Participation in EITI Processes and Reflection on EITI for 2020/2022 and restructuring the activities for 2022/2023 were presented and discussed. <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/2023/09/CSOsmeeting-on-Civic-space-and-EITI-processes-in-Uganda.pdf</u>

On 8th December 2022, the IS provided support to the MSG and Secretariat for the CSOs to better carryout their activities during EITI implementation. It was also held to provide clarification and guidance on a number of issues related to Civic Space in Uganda. The training was to engage UGEITI to get a broad understanding of CSO participation in the EITI process, challenges faced and the critical considerations to be made for civic space in order for EITI to have an impact.

https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Uganda-EITI-and-Civil-SocietyEngagement.pdf

Evidence of MSG members seeking input from the broader constituency on UGEITI Workplan

On the 11th/08/2022, CSCO in collaboration with PWYP, SEATINI, IMPACT and Oxfam organized a consultative workshop for civil society at the national on UGEITI MSG workplan for 2022/2023, at Protea Hotel by Marriott Kampala Skyz. In attendance were

Further on the 23rd/08/2022, CSCO/ ACODE in collaboration with UGEITI secretariat organized a subnational workshop to disseminate the first UGEITI report (2019/2020), and consultation on the UGEITI MSG workplan for FY 2022/2023 at Hoima Buffalo Hotel – Hoima City. The meeting was attended by 69 participants (**53 Males** and **16 females**) drawn from sub-national CSOs working on extractives, local government political leaders and technocrats, and faith-based institutions, from the Districts of Hoima, Kikuube, Buliisa, Nwoya, Kagadi, Kakumiro, Mubende,

Kasese, Kibaale districts and Kampala. <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Dissemination-of-UGEITI-Report-FY-2019-2020-and-Work-Plan-FY2022-2023.pdf</u>





Pictorials of UGEITI MSG Work plan consultations and dissemination of the first UGEITI Report (2019/ 20) at the national and sub national levels

As part of clearly defining the role of CSOs on the Multi Stakeholder Group (MSG), draft Terms of References (ToRs) were developed as a documented basis for making future decisions and for confirming a common understanding of the scope among the other stakeholders. Its therefore against this background that the Civil Society Coalition on Oil and Gas (CSCO) organized a meeting for selected CSOs to review and approve the draft ToRs for the MSG-CSO representatives to UGEITI on 7thDecember, 2020 at the Kampala Skyz Hotel.

• Nomination and Election of proxies to MSG of UGEITI

The Civil Society Coalition on Oil and Gas (CSCO)¹ and Publish What You Pay – Uganda (PWYP)² were nominated as CSO conveners with the mandate to coordinate all the CSO participation in EITI implementation. As part of consolidating CSOs' efforts on the MSG, CSCO and PWYP convened a physical and virtual CSOs meeting that elected 5 (five)Proxy Representatives of the Civil Society to the EITI MSG. Out of the seven shortlisted members, only 5 were elected namely; • Henry Bazira, • Paul Twebaze, • Regina Navuga, • Sam Mucunguzi, • Paul Mulindwa. This was held on the 19th March 2021, in a blended meeting that had both virtual physical and engagement. а https://www.ugeiti.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/09/Orientation-of-CSO-Proxies-to-UGEITI-MSG.pdf

¹ The Civil Society Coalition on Oil and Gas (CSCO) is a loose network of 60-member organizations working towards sustainable governance of Uganda's oil and gas resources so as to maximize the benefits to the people of Uganda. The Coalition was founded in 2008 to nurture and harness a shared civil society platform for promoting and strengthening civil society coordination, networking and advocacy in the Oil and Gas sub-sector.

² The PWYP coalition in Uganda was launched in 2008 and addresses a range of issues, from campaigning for the country to join the EITI to conducting advocacy for the publication of extractive contracts.





A training event for the proxies was organized by ACODE in partnership with PWYP with support from VOICE on the 30th of March 2021, at Skyz Hotel, Kampala. The objective of the training was to acquaint them with the EITI instruments, their role as MSG representatives and deepen their EITI understanding and effective participation in the process. During the training, the proxies benefitted from enriching presentations and discussions about the EITI Standard, Term of Reference, Code of Conduct, workplan, budget, timelines, roles, expectations, the budget and compliance requirements. The meeting enhanced the capacity of the proxy members and improved the preparedness of CSO actors in the implementation of EITI. https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Orientation-of-CSO-Proxies-to-UGEITIMSG.pdf

• Sub national consultative meetings on EITI

CSCO in partnership with COTFONE has therefore organized a consultative meeting to equip key stakeholders with information on EITI and build their confidence to engage in the process. The meeting is scheduled for 21st August 2020 at Brovad Hotel in Masaka District, starting at 8:30AM – 2:00pm. The meeting will attract 35 participants majorly from Gomba, Sembabule, Lwengo, Rakai, and Kyotera districts.

The second consultative meeting on EITI was held in Hoima City on the 27th August, 2020 at Hoima Resort Hotel. This meeting was attended by 35 participants (27 Males and 8 Females),

[•] ORIENTATION OF PROXY CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES TO THE UGEITI MULTI-STAKEHOLDER GROUP



who comprised district local government technical officers, and civil society actors drawn from the 4 districts that form Bunyoro sub region



• Capacity building Retreat for UGEITI MSG on Beneficial Ownership

As part of capacity building, CSCO in partnership with the UGEITI Secretariat conducted a training retreat for Uganda EITI Multi Stakeholder Group on beneficial ownership and development of the communications strategy. This was held between 19th – 21st may 2021, at Speke Resort Munyoyo, Kampala – Uganda. In attendance **were 43 participants (29 males & 14 females)**, that included representatives of agencies like the BoU, PAU, UGEITI, CSCO/ CSOs, NEMA, MDAs, MoFPED etc. Participant's capacity was enhanced on beneficial ownership, and communication strategy development. <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Report-of-the-MSG-Training-on-Beneficial-Ownership.pdf</u>

• National Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue on EITI

CSCO in collaboration with Publish What You Pay (PWYP) and the Natural Resources Governance

Institute (NRGI) convened a stakeholder dialogue on EITI on the 16th September 2020 at Imperial Royale Hotel, in Kampala. The event attracted 100 (71 Males and 29 Females) participants, whose attendance was categorized into physical at a designated venue and some online virtually. These participants included representatives of Government (MDAs), petroleum and mining companies, legislators, local government leaders, private sector, civil society, media, academia and development partners. The event provided stakeholders with up to date information on the progress made by Uganda to subscribe to the EITI, the implications of joining the initiative, and the requirements for Uganda to effectively implement the EITI standard.





Facilitators from UGEITI Secretariat and MEMD during NationalEITI Dialogue

• Parliamentary Symposium

A Parliamentary Symposium on Petroleum governance under the theme: "Mitigating environmental challenges and enhancing transparency and fiscal justice in the development of petroleum resources in Uganda," was convened on the 7th September 2022 at Speke Resort, Munyonyo. This engagement was organized by CSCO in collaboration with the Parliamentary Forum on Oil and Gas Sector (PFOG) and the Uganda Parliamentary Network on Illicit Financial Flows and Tax Justice (UPNIFFT) – and with financial support from Worldwide Fund for Nature (WWF)-Uganda and Oxfam, targeting selected members of the parliament of Uganda. The event provided a platform for UGEITI Secretariat to disseminate the first UGEITI report and remind the members of parliament on their role in fast tracking the implementation of recommendations in the report. <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/09/Mitigating-EnvironmentalChallenges-and-Enhancing-Transparency-and-Fiscal-Justice-in-the-development-ofPetroleum-Resources.pdf</u>

CSO Meeting on the challenges and Opportunities for implementing EITI

On 25th October 2022, **SEATINI** in collaboration with **PWYP-**Uganda organized a meeting for civil society actors to discuss and funding opportunities and challenges for implementation of Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) In Uganda. This was held at Imperial Royale Hotel, Kampala, and strategies drawn on how to fast track financing and other capacity needs to effectively and efficiently implement EITI.

• Workshop on Extractives Governance



ACODE in collaboration with CSCO and the EITI Secretariat organized a workshop for the Environment and Natural Resources Committee of Parliament on extractives governance. The workshop which took place on the 30th of November 2022 at Protea hotel, was attended by members of the ENR committee, members of the MSG, civil society, and some donors. The meeting was aimed at disseminating the findings and recommendations of the first UGEITI report, informing the next report, and discussing the role of Parliament in enhancing transparency and accountability in the extractives sector for the benefit of all Ugandans.

• Strategic meeting to review first UGEITI Draft Report

A Civil Society Organizations Strategic meeting was held the 5th – 6th May, 2022 to review the draft UGEITI report supported by NRGI, SEATINI & GRA – PWYP. A memo of comments and recommendations was developed and shared with UGEITI secretariat.

• Community consultative meetings on EITI Processes

The Civil Society Coalition on Oil and Gas (CSCO), hosted by the Advocates Coalition for Development and Environment (ACODE) organized a Community Consultative meeting on the Extractives Industry transparency initiative (EITI). The meeting was held on 23rd February 2022 at the Adonia Hotel – Buliisa District. In attendance were 34 participants (24 males and 10 Females).





CSO Reflection and Feedback Workshop on Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) Venue: Ridar Hotel, Seeta Date: 16th March 2022 supported by Oxfam.

• CSO meeting to review UGEITI Work plan for FY2020/21 and approve ToRs of the MSGCSO representatives

The Civil Society Coalition on Oil and Gas (CSCO) in partnership with Publish What You Pay (PWYP) brought together the wider constituency of CSOs to interact with their representatives and share the Uganda EITI (UGEITI) workplan. The participants also reviewed the Terms of Reference under which the CSO representatives and their proxies will operate. The meeting was held on 11th December 2020 and held both Physically at Esella Country Hotel in Wakiso District and virtually via Zoom.

• Meeting to Discuss Civil Society Outreach and the Work plan.

CSCO/ ACODE was part of a meeting to discuss civil society outreach and the work plan to streamline and strengthen civil society participation in the implementation of the Extractives Industry Transparency Initiative (EITI) that Uganda ascended to in mid-2019. The meeting was held on the 20th August, 2021 virtually. CSCO was represented by 3 of its members as representatives of CSOs on the Multi-Stakeholder Committee – UGEITI. With this meeting, CSCO has been able to shape the discourse for CSO participation in Promoting public awareness of the EITI process and its benefits, debates on natural resource governance (National & local levels), advocacy role, participation in legislative formulation & reviews, monitoring and evaluation of the EITI process (UGEITI work plan) among others

• Evaluation of offers for EITI Independent Administrator

In consolidating implementation of the EITI through enhancement of oversight function, CSCO through its MSG member, Mr. Onesmus Mugyenyi participated in the evaluation of candidates for the EITI Independent Administrator role. This was in a bid to procure personnel to steer the process of preparing Uganda's first EITI report. The evaluation was done and an Independent Administrator was selected. This is a clear indication of the growing appreciation of the role civil society plays in providing oversight for the effective and efficient development of extractive resources in Uganda, as well as commitment from government in ensuring transparency and accountability.

• Training Workshop on Roadmap to Contract Disclosure

As part of enhancing capacity for implementation of EITI, CSCO MSG members were part of a training workshop organized by the Disclosure and Legal Affairs Committee on 29th September



to 1^{st} October 2021 at Mestil Hotel, Kampala. The core objective of the event was to train members of MSG on contracts disclosure, with the aim of them developing a plan/roadmap for contract disclosure.

• Civil Society Organizations Extractives Industry Transparency Initiative (EITI) Validation Reporting Working Session

The Southern, Eastern Africa Trade Information, and Negotiations Institute (SEATINI) in collaboration with the Civil Society Coalition on Oil and Gas (CSCO), organized a meeting for selected members within their constituency on 18th April, 2023 at Esella Country Hotel, Najjera, to create and provide a platform for CSO MSG members & selected CSO constituents collect and compile information and evidence on stakeholder engagement in EITI implementation processes.

A CSO completed data set on engagements in EITI processes was developed and shared with the UGEITI secretariat for consolidation



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MEDIA ENGAGEMENTS

A number of media engagements, on both print and electronic platforms on EITI related interventions by the civil society constituent of the Multi-Stakeholder Group, as outlined below;

Press Conference held by CSCO that was aimed at seeking government's amplified commitment to EITI. It was organized by ACODE on 18th September 2023.At the conference, At the event, some of the issues raised were:

- Government should expedite the process of formalizing all miners in the country.
- The need to track all those involved in mining for better understanding the sector, and
- Government to plug all loopholes that facilitate revenue leakages in the minerals supply chain. <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Civil-Society-</u> <u>Coalitionon-Oil-and-Gas-CSCO-press-release-on-the-launch-of-the-second-of-EITI-</u> <u>Report.pdf</u>

• Television and Radio Talk shows

Thematic areas discussed on EITI on both electronic and mainstream media include the following;



Talk show on the role of EITI implementation in enhancing transparency, accountability and domestic resource mobilisation in the extractive sector 03 August 2023.

https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Radio-talk-show.jpeg

The impact of energy transition on Uganda's oil and gas sector 21 September 2023. <u>https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Radio-talk-show-on-impact-ofenergy-Transition-on-Ugandas-oil-and-gas-sector.jpg</u>

Enhancing Transparency and Revenue Mobilization in the Extractives Sector through EITI implementation held on Wednesday 09/11/2022, Radio One and Friday 11/11/2022 on NBS

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- Role of EITI implementation in enhancing transparency, fiscal justice, and domestic resource mobilization in Uganda, held on 29th September, 2022 on Radio One and NBS Television.
- Enhancing transparency in extractives revenue generation, management, and allocation of royalties.
- EITI and its implication on Uganda's citizenry, dissemination of Uganda's first EITI Report, 29th September, 2022 on SPICE FM a radio station at the sub national level.
- Uganda's progress in joining the Extractives Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) held on 20th August, 2020, on Radio One and NBS Television.





The talk shows involved panelists drawn from the Technical arms of the District Local Governments, selected CSCO members from both the national and sub national levels, and experts from key governments entities and the EITI Secretariat.

https://youtu.be/X10SqxvW3Bo

Newspaper articles

EITI Contract Transparency – A member of the MSG from CSO Constituency prepared an article in one of the Newspapers on Contract Transparency on 17th August 2023 titled, "On lack of contract transparency in the extractives industry. "It was noted that the disclosure of contracts helps to manage expectations held by communities, governments, and companies. https://www.ugeiti.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Contract-Transparancy.pdf

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5. Sign-off

7. Please include below the names and contact details of the MSG members from the civil society constituency who sign off on submitting the above information to the Validation team. Add rows as needed.

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Meeting	Date of Email Invitation	Date meeting was held
1 st MSG	Meetings 1 – 4 were held	22 nd March 2019
2 nd MSG	before the Secretariat	30 th May 2019
3 rd MSG	was formed.	10 th June 2019
4 th MSG		13 th September 2019
5 th MSG	21 st November 2019	5 th December 2019
6 th MSG	11 th February 2020	20 th February 2020
7 th MSG	23 rd June 2020	2 nd July 2020
8 th MSG	24 th September 2020	25 th September 2020
9 th MSG	27 th November 2020	10 th December 2020
10 th MSG	9 th February 2021	18 th February 2021
11 th MSG	21 st April 2021	29 th April 2021
12 th MSG	17 th June 2021	28 th June 2021
13 th MSG	31 st August 2021	9 th September 2021
14 th MSG	29 th September 2021	7 th October 2021
15 th MSG	11 th November 2021	17 th November 2021
16 th MSG	25 th November 2021	7 th December 2021
17 th MSG	10 th February 2022	18 th February 2022
18 th MSG	6 th April 2022	21 st April 2022
19 th MSG	6 th May 2022	10^{th} and 12^{th} May 2022
20 th MSG	20 th July 2022	21 st July 2022
21 st MSG	1 st September 2022	8 th September 2022
22 nd MSG	4 th November 2022	17 th November 2022
23 rd MSG	25 th November 2022	1 st December 2022
24 th MSG	21 st February 2023	23 rd February 2023
25 th MSG	5 th April 2023	13 th April 2023
26 th MSG	8 th June 2023	16 th June 2023
27 th MSG	22 nd June 2023	29 th June 2023
28 th MSG	21 st August 2023	31 st August 2023

APPENDIX ONE. NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR MSG MEETINGS