

Board Paper 48-1-A

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Draft Agenda

For information

Wednesday 14 October 2020 (4-hour block – all timings in CEST)

11:00	48-1 Welcome by the Chair and adoption of the agenda

Board Paper 48-1-A Draft agenda

Board Paper 48-1-B Board meeting participant list

11:15 **48-2 Report from the Secretariat**

Secretariat Paper 48-2-A EITI's Strategic priorities 2021-2022 (for

information)

Board Paper 48-2-B Implementation Progress Report (for information) Board Paper 48-2-C Outreach Progress Report (for information)

12:45 **48-3 Report from the World Bank**

13:00 - 13:30 Break

13:30 48-4 Report from the Implementation Committee

Board Paper 48-4-A Measures relating to reporting deadlines and

extensions requests (for decision)

Board Paper 48-4-B Energy transition and EITI: Priorities and next steps (for

decision)

Board Paper 48-4-C Independent evaluation of the EITI (for decision)

15:00 End of Day 1

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11:00 48-5 Outreach and Candidature Committee

Board Paper 48-5 Candidature assessment: Ecuador (for decision)

11:45 48-6 Report from the Governance and Oversight Committee

Board Paper 48-6 Enhancing transparency and accountability in Board

decision-making (for decision)

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12:30 - 13:00	Break
13:00	48-7 Report from the Validation Committee Board Paper 48-7- A Outline for a revised Validation model (for decision) Board Paper 48-7-B Report from the Validation Committee (for decision)
14:15	48-8 Report from the Finance Committee Board Paper 48-8 2021 Work plan (for decision)
14:45	Any other business
15.00	Close

Summary of actions from previous Board meetings

Agenda item	Action	Status
Action ite	ems from 47 th Board meeting, Virtual	
47-2-B	The International Secretariat to strengthen the dissemination of the Guidance Note 30 on gender responsive EITI implementation and to update the Board in due course on plans for an event on gender and extractives in the margins of a Board meeting in 2021.	Ongoing
47-2-B	The International Secretariat to share the concept note outlining the modalities of the Rapid Response Fund with the Board for review.	Complete
47-2-B	The International Secretariat to monitor the situation in Mali and in the DRC, liaise with national stakeholders and report to the Board accordingly.	Ongoing
47-2-B	Where necessary, the International Secretariat to consider publishing statements voicing concerns around the sustainability and the credibility of the EITI process and resorting to the Rapid Response Committee and the Governance and Oversight Committee where necessary.	Complete
47-2-C	The International Secretariat to closely monitor and engage in Equatorial Guinea's candidature application.	Ongoing
47-3	The WBG to work with its country offices in communicating the availability of support to emergency funding for implementing countries.	Ongoing
47-4-A	The International Secretariat to publish the final report of the independent study on measuring the impact of the EITI on the website.	Complete
47-4-A	The International Secretariat to implement the recommendations as per Board Paper 47-4-A, including improving the guidance to implementing countries and the development of a results measurement framework.	Ongoing
47-4-A	The Implementation Committee to continue discussing the scope, timing and resourcing of an Independent Evaluation, in consultation with other Board Committees. The Committee to prepare a recommendation, including terms of reference, for Board approval in October.	Ongoing
47-4-B	The Secretariat to update Board Paper 47-4-B to reflect the Board's comments and further explain the proposed clarifications for interpretation of the requirement as well as the approach to validating Requirement 2.4. The paper will then be approved by Board Circular.	Ongoing
47-4-C	International Secretariat to support EITI Working Group on Commodity Trading Transparency to finalise the reporting guidelines, to be shared with the Board by circular.	Ongoing
47-5	The OCC to consider the progress in applying the sign-up criteria and whether further clarifications are required in 2021.	To be considered in 2021.
47-6	The Board to approve recommendations 1-3 from Board Paper 47-6 Recommendations from the Board performance self-assessment.	Complete
47-6	The GOC to consider merging the Governance and Oversight Committee with the Audit Committee	Complete
47-6	The GOC to reconsider its proposal for merging the Implementation Committee and Rapid Response Committee in 12 months and to discuss it with the respective Committee Chairs and Committee members.	Complete
47-6	The International Secretariat to bring up the issues of workload with the leads of the Implementation Committee and the Validation Committee.	Pending
47-7-A	The Chair to write to the Government of Tanzania announcing the Board's decision.	Complete
Ongoing	action items from previous Board meetings:	
46-1	Governance and Oversight Committee to review issues linked to internal EITI Governance in addressing corruption.	Ongoing
46-1	International Secretariat to draft a paper on the role of the EITI in the energy transition for the Implementation Committee's consideration	Complete
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46-3	The International Secretariat to work with the EGPS team and WB TTLs to provide coordinated support to implementing countries in requesting EGPS funding.	Ongoing
46-4-A	The International Secretariat to communicate Board decisions to the relevant countries in positive terms, to acknowledge the efforts made by the countries to meet the EITI Requirements.	Ongoing
46-4-B	The International Secretariat to draft terms of reference for the pilot (on systematic disclosures) for consideration by the Implementation Committee and to invite implementing countries to participate in the pilot.	Complete
46-5-B	International Secretariat to undertake a mission to Equatorial Guinea to collect additional information and stakeholder views.	Pending
46-5-B	The Governance Committee to review the sign-up steps to become an EITI member.	Ongoing
46-6-B	The working group on the review of Validation to present options for a revised Validation model to the Board at its 47th meeting.	In progress
46-7	Constituency coordinators to gather feedback from their constituencies on updating and implementing constituency guidelines in connection with the EITI Members' Meeting.	Ongoing
46-9	The Secretariat to initiate a process to change auditors ahead of the 2020 audit.	Ongoing
45-2-A	The Secretariat to consider whether country by country assessments in future IPRs should more consistently refer to challenges related to Requirements 1.1. 1.2 and 1.3.	Ongoing
45-2-A	The Secretariat to update budget estimates for beneficial ownership activities in countries and share with Board for information.	In progress
45-5-B	The Validation Committee to present the status of its work on the review of Validation to the Board at its 46th meeting in February 2020.	Complete
45-6-B	The Secretariat to provide an update to the Board's Governance and Oversight Committee on stakeholders' use of the online form in one year's time to better understand how it is being used and areas for improvement.	In progress
45-7-A	The EITI to begin implementing the 2020-2022 Outreach strategy.	Complete
43-2-B	The International Secretariat to convene development partners in the key funding shortfall countries.	Ongoing
43-5-B	The Validation Committee to ensure that the agreed framework is reflected in the revised Validation Guide, and that the feedback on the paper is considered as part of the planned review of the Validation process.	Ongoing
41-4-A	The EITI to undertake a targeted effort for SOE transparency to work more closely with SOEs to improve disclosures of SOEs in EITI countries and beyond. The effort will be undertaken in close collaboration with key partners and depend on demand and funds available.	Ongoing
41-4-B	The Board to continue supporting implementing countries and SOEs to systematically disclose information on the sale of the state's share of oil, gas and minerals, including new countries joining the effort.	Ongoing
41-4-B	Subject to available funding, the Board to continue supporting commodity trading transparency globally through outreach to governments, SOEs and commodity traders.	Ongoing

Decisions take	Decisions taken via Board circulars after the 45th Board meeting		
BC 291	9.06.2020	Madagascar made meaningful progress in implementing the 2016 EITI Standard, with considerable improvements across individual requirements. Full Board decision is available <a <="" example.com="" href="https://example.com/https</td></tr><tr><td>BC 292</td><td>9.07.2020</td><td>Armenia has made satisfactory progress in implementing the 2016 EITI Standard. Full Board decision is available <u>here</u>.</td></tr><tr><td>BC 292</td><td>9.07.2020</td><td>São Tomé and Príncipe has made meaningful progress in implementing the 2016 EITI Standard. Full Board decision is available <u>here</u>.</td></tr><tr><td>BC 292</td><td>9.07.2020</td><td>Mexico's suspension was lifted. Full Board decision is available here.</td></tr><tr><td>BC 292</td><td>9.07.2020</td><td>Guyana is eligible for an extension of the commencement of Validation. Guyana's deadline for the commencement of Validation is extended to 25 October 2020. Full Board decision is available 	

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BC 292	9.07.2020	Malawi is eligible for an extension of the reporting deadline and the commencement of Validation. The deadline for report is extended to 31 December 2020. The deadline for the Commencement of Validation is extended to 1 January 2021. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 292	9.07.2020	Mexico is eligible for an extension of the commencement of Validation. Mexico's deadline for the commencement of Validation is extended to 25 October 2020. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 292	9.07.2020	Papua New Guinea is eligible for an extension of the commencement of Validation. Papua New Guinea's deadline for the commencement of Validation is extended to 30 October 2020. Full Board decision is available here.
BC 292	9.07.2020	Peru is eligible for an extension of the reporting deadline and the commencement of Validation. The deadline for the FY 2017 Report is extended to 31 December 2020. The deadline for the FY 2018 Report is maintained at 31 December 2020. The deadline for the commencement of Validation is extended to 1 January 2021. Full Board decision is available <a example.com="" here"="" href="https://example.com/here/bere/bere/bere/bere/bere/bere/bere</td></tr><tr><td>BC 292</td><td>9.07.2020</td><td>Afghanistan's Validation starts on 1 July 2020. Full Board decision is available here.</td></tr><tr><td>BC 292</td><td>9.07.2020</td><td>A timebound Rapid Response Fund (RRF) to support EITI implementation through the COVID-19 crisis will be established and managed by the EITI International Secretariat. Full Board decision is available here.</td></tr><tr><td>BC 292</td><td>9.07.2020</td><td>Timo Voipio, Senior Adviser, Ministry for Foreign Affairs (MFA) of Finland succeeds Marte Briseid as a Board member representing supporting countries sub-constituency. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 292	9.07.2020	Christine Detaille, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) of Belgium is appointed as the new alternate Board member to Timo Voipio, representing supporting countries subconstituency. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 292	9.07.2020	The Board agrees that the EITI International Secretariat establishes and manages a timebound Rapid Response Fund (RRF) to support continued EITI implementation through the COVID-19 crisis. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 293	20.07.2020	Albania is eligible for an extension of the reporting and Validation deadlines. The deadline for the publication of the outstanding report is extended to 31 December 2020. The deadline for the FY 2018 Report is maintained at 31 December 2020. The deadline for the commencement of Validation is extended to 1 January 2021. Full Board decision is available here.
BC 293	20.07.2020	Ethiopia is eligible for an extension of the reporting deadline. The deadline for the publication of the outstanding report is extended to 31 December 2020. Full Board decision is available here.
BC 293	20.07.2020	Guinea is eligible for an extension of the commencement of Validation. The deadline for the commencement of Validation is extended to 27 February 2021. Full Board decision is available here.
BC 293	20.07.2020	Liberia is eligible for an extension of the commencement of Validation. The deadline for the commencement of Validation is extended to 1 January 2021. Full Board decision is available <a here"="" href="https://example.com/here/beta-base-aparts-new-market-2021-bas</td></tr><tr><td>BC 293</td><td>20.07.2020</td><td>Mali is eligible for an extension of the reporting deadline and the commencement of Validation. The deadline for the publication of the outstanding report is extended to 31 December 2020. The deadline for the commencement of Validation is extended to 1 January 2021. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 294	12.08.2020	Uganda joins the EITI as an implementing country as of 12 August 2020. The decision in full is available <u>here</u> .
BC 294	11.08.2020	Governance and Oversight Committee is merged with the Audit Committee. The Committee will retain the name 'Governance and Oversight Committee'. The decision in full is available here.
BC 294	11.08.2020	Burkina Faso is eligible for an extension of the commencement of Validation. The deadline for the commencement of Validation is extended to 27 February 2021. The decision in full is available <a here"="" href="https://example.com/</td></tr><tr><td>BC 294</td><td>11.08.2020</td><td>Meeting minutes from the 47th Board meeting held virtually (16-17 June 2020) are approved as of 12 August 2020. The decision in full is available here .
BC 295	11.09.2020	Taco Westerhuis, Director General of International Cooperation, Directorate for Inclusive Green Growth (IGG) of Netherlands succeeds Jürg Vollenweider as an alternate Board member representing supporting countries sub-constituency. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 295	11.09.2020	Viktoriia Gnatovska, Director of Energy and Resource Efficiency Policy Formation Directorate at the Ministry of Energy of Ukraine succeeds Oleksii Riabchyn as an alternate Board member representing implementing countries sub-constituency. Full Board decision is available

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BC 295	11.09.2020	The Board agreed clarifications to Requirement 2.4. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 295	11.09.2020	Argentina is eligible for an extension of the reporting deadline. The deadline for the publication of the outstanding report is extended to 31 December 2020. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 295	11.09.2020	The Dominican Republic is eligible for an extension of the Validation deadline. The new deadline for the commencement of the Validation is extended to 14 February 2021. Full Board decision is available <a example.com="" here"="" href="https://pers.new.org/new.new.new.new.new.new.new.new.new.new.</td></tr><tr><td>BC 295</td><td>11.09.2020</td><td>Trinidad and Tobago is eligible for an extension of the reporting and Validation deadlines. The deadline for the publication of the outstanding report is extended to 25 February 2021. The deadline for the commencement of Validation is extended to 26 February 2021. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 295	11.09.2020	Togo has made meaningful progress with considerable improvements in implementing the 2016 Standard. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 295	11.09.2020	Seychelles has made meaningful progress in implementing the 2019 EITI Standard, with considerable improvements. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 295	11.09.2020	Republic of Congo has made meaningful progress with considerable improvements in implementing the 2016 Standard. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 296	29.09.2020	Erin Kotheimer , Director Office of Policy Analysis and Public Diplomacy, Bureau of Energy Resources, United States Department of State succeeds Mike Toyryla as an alternate Board member. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 296	29.09.2020	Florent Michel Okoko, National Coordinator, Republic of Congo succeeds Ms Marie- Thérèse Holenn Agnong as an alternate Board member. Full Board decision is available here .
BC 296	29.09.2020	Francess Piagle Alghali, Minister of State of the Office of the Vice President of Sierra Leone succeeds Mr Samuel Urkato as an alternate Board member. Full Board decision is available <a "="" be="" example.com="" here="" href="https://example.com/here/be/</td></tr><tr><td>BC 296</td><td>29.09.2020</td><td>Kyrgyz Republic has made meaningful progress in implementing the 2016 EITI Standard, with considerable improvements across several individual requirements. Full Board decision is available https://example.com/here/here/here/here/here/here/here/her