

IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

EITI International Secretariat

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1 Background

The EITI Board has agreed to establish an Implementation Committee to oversee progress with implementation of the EITI Standard on behalf of the EITI Board. The purpose of the Implementation Committee is to provide oversight by the EITI Board of how the Standard is being implemented and present recommendations on any policy issues related to the EITI Standard. The Committee monitors challenges and opportunities in implementing countries, including overseeing work to document the impact of EITI implementation, highlight good practice and encourage efforts to strengthen implementation. Annual publication of EITI Reports, activity reports and workplans require regular analysis and monitoring in order to address weaknesses in implementation prior to Validation. Given that the work of the Implementation Committee has often affected the work of other Committees, in particular the Validation Committee which assesses compliance with the EITI Standard through its assessment of Validation reports, the previous Implementation Committee was careful to ensure that other Committees were informed of its work. To this end, other Committee Chairs often observed Implementation Committee meetings.

2 Responsibilities

With support from the EITI International Secretariat, the Implementation Committee shall:

1. Monitor progress with EITI implementation by reviewing the Implementation Progress Reports (IPRs) prepared by the International Secretariat as well as annual EITI progress reports.
2. Review the impact of the EITI, identify innovations and promote good practice to implementing countries to achieve compliance and strengthen EITI implementation. This includes considering the findings of annual activity reports, EITI Reports and Validation reports.
3. Monitor the quality of EITI reporting, including through annual reviews of EITI Reports.
4. Monitor deadlines for annual activity reports and EITI Reports and Validations and make recommendations on suspension where countries have not met the deadlines set out in Requirements 8.2, 8.3 and 8.4.
5. Review requests for lifting suspensions and make recommendations to the EITI Board in accordance with Requirement 8.6.
6. Review extension requests submitted by implementing countries and make recommendations to the EITI Board in accordance with Requirement 8.5.
7. Review requests for adapted implementation and make recommendations to the EITI Board in accordance with Requirement 8.1.
8. Consider any emerging policy issues related to the EITI Standard.

3 Committee Composition

The committee was established through Board Circular 210. The members are:

Countries

Ms Zainab Ahmed
Ms Olga Bielkova
Ms Kerstin Faehrmann
Ms Agnès Solange Ondigui Owona
Ms Maria Isabel Ulloa Cruz

Companies

Mr Stuart Brooks
Ms Laurel Green

Civil society

Ms Ana Carolina Conzalez Espinosa
Mr Daniel Kaufmann
Ms Faith Nwadishi

On 6 May 2016 the Implementation Committee agreed to appoint Mr Daniel Kaufmann and Ms Maria Isabel Ulloa Cruz as Co-Chairs of the Implementation Committee.

The Committee will be supported by the EITI International Secretariat to fulfil its Terms of Reference. This support will include drafting agenda, papers and minutes for consideration by the Committee.