



November 17, 2015

Mr. Zlatko Lagumdzija  
Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Dear Mr. Lagumdzija,

We welcome the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina's participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP), which now has 69 countries working to implement national commitments to promote greater transparency, accountability, and engagement of citizens in policy making.

As you are aware, the OGP Articles of Governance state that all participating countries are expected to: *Make concrete commitments, as part of a country action plan, that are ambitious and go beyond a country's current practice.* All OGP participating governments are expected to develop National Action Plans that specify concrete commitments over a two-year period. Countries more than four months late in submitting their National Action Plan (NAP) will be considered acting contrary to the OGP process for that action plan cycle. The Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina has not submitted its first NAP as of November 1, 2015, four months after the deadline of July 1, 2015.

In order to avoid the possibility of a future review by the Criteria and Standards subcommittee of the OGP Steering Committee, we recommend that the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina makes every effort to begin work on a National Action Plan in consultation with civil society. This National Action Plan is expected by June 30th 2016.

The OGP Support Unit and Steering Committee stand ready to support you in whatever way would be useful in creating the new action plan. Please do not hesitate to contact the OGP Support Unit if you require any assistance.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph Powell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J'.

Joseph Powell  
Acting Executive Director  
OGP Support Unit

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