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In Topol'čany, 25th January, 2024

OGP Support Unit Mr. Rudi Borrmann, Deputy Director, OGP Local

Government Letter of Support: Call for new members to OGP Local 2023

Mesto Topol'čany (the town of Topol'čany) is pleased to submit an application to join OGP Local as part of our continued commitment to advancing the principles of access to information, public participation and public accountability in the way the government carries out its mandate.

By joining OGP Local, we endorse the <u>Open Government Declaration</u> and commit to upholding the principles within it, together with our supporting partner, University of Economy in Bratislava, as well as other organizations willing to cooperate.

We acknowledge that, as a member of OGP Local, we are embarking on a journey of collaboration, learning and action, and commit to working together as partners with non-governmental stakeholders to deliver an open government action plan in 2024 and implement its commitments. In addition, we embed the values of open government in our OGP local process and ensure it is transparent, participatory and accountable. These actions will be a continuation of the participatory processes that were already established. These embraced several policies like transport, construction, financial regulations or revitalization projects.

We recognize that by joining OGP Local, we become a member of a global community of government and civil society who strive to innovate, catalyze progress and promote learning within and across jurisdictions. This global community is strengthened by the actions of its members, hence, we pledge to be an active member of this global community, leading by example and supporting other members with peer exchanges and engaging at the local, national and international level to promote the values of open government.

If given the opportunity to become a member of OGP Local in the 2023 call, the communication department led by Mayor will be responsible for leading locally the OGP Local process and liaising with the OGP Support Unit. In addition, we commit to making available the necessary human, financial and technical resources to co-create, implement and learn from ambitious commitments within the action plan.

JUDr. Alexandra Gieciová Mayor of Topoľčany

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Non-governmental Letter of Support: Call for new members to OGP Local 2023

Ekonomická univerzita v Bratislave (University of Economics in Bratislava) is pleased to support the application of mesto Topol'čany (the town of Topol'čany) to join OGP Local. By joining OGP Local, we support the endorsement of the Open Government Declaration and its principles within it.

We acknowledge that, as a supporting unit of OGP Local member, we are embarking on a journey of collaboration, learning and action, and commit to working together as partners with the government to deliver an open government action plan in 2024 and implement its commitments. In addition, we embed the values of open government in our OGP local process and ensure it is transparent, participatory and accountable.

We express confidence in leadership of the town of Topol'čany and in their will to develop and implement strategies and actions to become an open municipality with developed participative processes. Since 2019, when the University of third Age was established in Topol'čany, under our scientific auspices, we had chance to experience enthusiastic approach in our cooperation and willingness to become a part of open, democratic, global society. In the future, we will support their participative actions if needed, for example in further educational activities.

We recognize that by joining OGP Local, the city of Topol'čany becomes a member of a global community of government and civil society who strive to innovate, catalyze progress and promote learning within and across jurisdictions. We will support Topol'čany as an active member of this global community to promote the values of open government.

If given the opportunity to become a member of OGP Local in the 2023 call, Ing. Kamila Nemcová, led by prof. Ing. Ferdinand Daňo, PhD., will be responsible for contact with the town of Topoľčany regarding their participation process. We stand ready to support Topoľčany with needed resources to participate in the co-creation, implementation and learning from ambitious commitments within the action plan.

prof. Ing. Férdinand Daňo, PhD.

Rector of the University of Economics in Bratislava