



## About the Open Gov Challenge

The Open Gov Challenge is a call to action for all members of the Open Government Partnership (OGP) to raise ambition in ten areas of open government to help strengthen our democracies. The Challenge opens up new pathways for participation, a request made by OGP members.

Over the next five years, all members of the Partnership should aim to raise the ambition of reforms in 10 policy areas and demonstrate relevant progress in as many of the areas of the Challenge through their OGP action plans or beyond. Any public sector institution across all branches and levels of government of an OGP member can participate in as many Challenge areas as possible.

## How to Advance Digital Governance Reform through the Open Gov Challenge

*Strengthen transparency and public oversight of AI, automated decision-making, and data protection frameworks.*

Actions and reforms that fit within the scope of this challenge area are:

- Making underlying data publicly available (e.g. through transparency registers for algorithms).
- Embedding human rights impact assessments.
- Creating public grievance mechanisms.
- Creating or strengthening independent oversight agencies.
- Creating specific public participation opportunities.
- Creating specific mechanisms to promote digital inclusion on AI, automated-decision making, and data protection frameworks and prevent online discrimination and disinformation based on their use.
- Reforms that protect personal data and privacy frameworks through establishing transparency, accountability, and consent mechanisms and requirements.

## Digital Governance Challenge Commitments

As the Challenge begins, OGP has already received some promising commitment submissions from members on digital governance. Here is one example:

### Ghana

#### Combating Misinformation and Disinformation

The government [committed](#) to collaborating with civil society in a working group to conduct a human rights assessment of existing legislation on misinformation and disinformation while protecting free speech. The working group will also implement fact-checking, media literacy, and public education initiatives.



## Open Gov Challenge Areas

### Access to Information

Improve effectiveness of access to information legal frameworks.

### Anti-Corruption

Develop, strengthen, and/or implement a whole-of-government anti-corruption legislation, strategy, or roadmap.

### Civic Space

Strengthen the enabling environment and spaces for civil society and civic action.

### Climate and Environment

Use open government to strengthen implementation of legislation, strategies or agreements on climate, environment, and/or the energy transition.

### Digital Governance

Strengthen transparency and public oversight of AI, automated decision-making, and data protection frameworks.

### Fiscal Openness

Advance public oversight and inclusion reforms across the budget and spending cycle.

### Gender and Inclusion

Adopt open government reforms to promote the full participation of women and under-represented groups politically, socially, and economically.

### Justice

Advance people-centered justice reforms.

### Media Freedom

Develop or reinforce legal frameworks that protect the rights of journalists and independent media.

### Public Participation

Mainstream or embed fit-for-purpose, high-quality, and inclusive public participation practices across key government sectors, processes, and institutions.

## OGP Resources

The following resources provide reform recommendations, commitment examples, and other guidance to support members in fulfilling the Challenge.

### [Open Gov Guide](#)

Explore the “how-to” resource on applying open government principles to real-world challenges, including a section on climate topics covered in the Challenge.

### [The Open Gov Challenge](#)

Learn about the Open Gov Challenge, including how to participate, details on the Challenge areas, and frequently asked questions.

### [Resources Page](#)

Search for all OGP publications, co-authored research, member stories, and more.

### [Data Dashboard](#)

Access data on all OGP commitments, filterable by policy area, location, year, and level of government.

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