

**Resolution of the Criteria & Standards Subcommittee regarding the  
participation status of South Africa in OGP  
March 24, 2025**

The Criteria & Standards (C&S) Subcommittee extends its appreciation to the Government of South Africa for its engagement in OGP and acknowledges the five OGP action plans it has co-created to date.

The Government of South Africa has been under review since August 2023 due to acting contrary to OGP Process across consecutive action plan cycles: failure to meet minimum standards in implementing its 2020-22 action plan, and failure to deliver a new action plan in 2022 and 2023. In light of this, the C&S Subcommittee issued a resolution<sup>1</sup> in April 2024 recognizing South Africa's submission of a 2024-2026 action plan but maintaining the Government of South Africa under Procedural Review until the OGP's Independent Reporting Mechanism (IRM) could confirm compliance with minimum co-creation requirements in its new action plan.

In February 2025, the IRM's Action Plan Review Report determined that the 2024-2026 action plan did not meet the minimum co-creation requirements. Considering this determination, but recognizing the ongoing domestic OGP process, the **Criteria & Standards Subcommittee hereby resolves to maintain the Government of South Africa under Procedural Review until the IRM confirms compliance with minimum requirements in the implementation of its current action plan.** This assessment will be part of the Results Report, to be published within four months after completing implementation of the plan. Failure to meet the minimum requirements in the implementation of the current action plan or otherwise acting contrary to process could lead to inactivity recommendation.

The C&S Subcommittee remains committed to providing all necessary support to address this issue promptly.

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