CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR JORDAN
Deadline to submit proposals: January 6, 2014

The Global Partnership for Social Accountability (GPSA) supports civil society and governments to work together to solve critical governance challenges in developing countries. To achieve this objective, the GPSA provides strategic and sustained support to CSOs’ social accountability initiatives aimed at strengthening transparency and accountability. It builds on the World Bank’s direct and ongoing engagement with public sector actors, as well as a network of Global Partner organizations, to create an enabling environment in which citizen feedback is used to solve fundamental problems in service delivery and to strengthen the performance of public institutions.

The GPSA works to “close the loop” by supporting citizens to have a more articulated voice, helping governments to listen, and assisting government agencies to act upon the feedback they receive.

The GPSA is pleased to announce its 2nd Global Call for Proposals. In Jordan, the GPSA seeks proposals for Social Accountability initiatives and programs from Civil Society Organizations to address one or all of the following:

- Support citizen’s use of access to information law and access to data generated by ministries and agencies. This will contribute to improved information flow between citizens and government entities and enhance access and quality of service delivery.
- Develop mechanisms to access and widely disseminate information on the national budget, public expenditure and performance and resource availability at primary service delivery units and local authorities. This will contribute to improved public financial management and efficiency and promote greater accountability for the use of public money.

Following the GPSA’s approach, it is expected that the information produced will also be used by other public sector institutions beyond the Executive, including the Supreme Audit Institutions, legislative bodies, independent regulatory agencies, and other oversight bodies.

In order to be considered, proposals must demonstrate clearly that:

1. The project will push the boundaries from pilots to large-scale interventions that may be replicated country-wide;
2. The proposed intervention is related to ongoing initiatives focusing on similar objectives. It should identify the value added of GPSA support;
3. It proposes wide-range partnerships with other CSOs that would enable the proposal to achieve a large scale and leverage existing experience; and
4. The project will generate information that is needed to complement existing processes already supported by relevant public institutions.

GPSA supports proposals that:

- Have an estimated duration of 3 to 5 years, in order to enable sustained and strategic funding for Social Accountability;
- Propose a detailed budget for total grant amounts in the indicative funding range between US$500,000 and US$1,000,000. Funding requests below this range will be considered. The requested funds must correlate with the proposal’s duration.

Eligible CSOs: Legal entities that fall outside the public or for profit sector, such as non-government organizations, not-for-profit media organizations, charitable organizations, faith-based organizations,
professional organizations, labor unions, workers’ organizations, associations of elected local representatives, foundations and policy development and research institutes. Applicant CSO must provide proof of legal status in Jordan.

Please review the GPSA Application Guidelines for details about how to apply for a grant, eligibility requirements, selection criteria and selection process.

If you are interested in applying please visit www.worldbank.org/gpsa to read the GPSA Application Guidelines and to access the application forms.

The orientation session for Jordan will be organized on Wednesday November 27, 2013 from 3 PM to 5.30 PM at the headquarters of the International Finance Corporation (IFC) located in Ahmed Orabi Street in Shmeisani.

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