NEWS

The Global Partners Forum 2016 is Less than a Month Away!

The GPSA Global Partners Forum 2016 is approaching fast. We are expecting over 250 participants from civil society, private sector, academia, private sector, World Bank and more, to come together to reflect on recent trends in the social accountability field.

This Forum will offer: Panel discussions, workshops, networking and plenary sessions; In-depth discussions around topics related to constructive engagement and co-production, learning for adaptive management, and trends across key sectors and regions; a video address by World Bank President Jim Kim; A dialogue on constructive engagement featuring government and civil society representatives; and plenty of networking activities, including a Networking Fair where Global Partners have the opportunity to showcase their work. See the agenda>>>

To learn more about the Global Partners Forum: Read the 2015 Forum Report, watch this 2-minute Impression Video, and check out the photos from last year.

The World Bank Announces Deborah Wetzel as Senior Director

Deborah Wetzel became the new Senior Director for the Governance Global Practice (GGP) as of April 4, 2016. The GPSA is one of the units within the GGP, which supports countries in building open, effective and accountable institutions for inclusive development. Read more>>>

Citizen Monitoring Ensures Textbook Delivery in Malawi

Finally, after a four-year drought of textbooks, a truck laden with books arrived at Malimbwe Primary School in Mitundu, central Malawi in February. This was a result of joint efforts by civil society and the community supported by the World Bank’s social accountability program to address a major problem derailing primary education outcomes in Malawi. Read more>>>

Helping Local Partners to have a Voice in Morocco’s Public Education

This is the first of a series of blog posts aimed at capturing the progress of projects supported by the GPSA. This blog post introduces the “Linking Education and Accountability for Development” (LEAD) project in Morocco, launched in December 2014. The initial idea behind the LEAD project was to show how a multi-pronged, social accountability strategy could enlighten government decision-making in Morocco about education policies at the national level and at district and regional levels, too. Read more>>>
‘Learning Journeys’ for Adaptive Management – Where Does it Take Us?
Learning-by-doing and adaptation happens all the time at the frontline, and as a means of survival. So how can it be reflected across the sector as a whole – from individual citizen through to international donor through adaptive management? This GPSA Note takes stock of the current debate and clarify some of the underlying concepts while exploring how we may need to re-think both traditional knowledge management and internal monitoring and evaluation across the partnerships and coalitions for change in which we work. Read more>>>

From the Knowledge Platform | A Grassroots Perspective on Thinking and Working Politically | Aaron Azelton, director of citizen participation programs at the National Democratic Institute (NDI), discusses an approach that NDI has used successfully across many contexts: community organizing. Read more>>>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Webinar: How citizen-generated data can accelerate progress toward the Sustainable Development Goals | May 5, 2016 | Jeff Hall, a consultant & researcher, and Cassia Moraes from DataShift, will explore the ways that citizen themselves can contribute with data that accelerates the accountable delivery of the Sustainable Development Goals. Learn more>>>

E-forum: How citizen-generated data can accelerate progress toward the Sustainable Development Goals | May 5-19, 2016 | This online discussion will be a follow-up to the above webinar. Participants will be invited to share their own examples of citizen-generated data, challenges, and ideas for further collaboration. Learn more>>>

GPSA Global Partners Forum | May 19-20, 2016 | Building on the first and second GPSA Forums held in 2014 and 2015, the theme of this year’s Forum is ‘Social Accountability for Development Impact.’ Learn more>>>

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