THE FIRST GPSA AWARD FOR LEADERS IN SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY

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LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Oded Grajew, Founder & General Coordinator
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Oded Grajew is a Brazilian businessman and serial social entrepreneur. He is one of the founders of Brazil’s corporate social responsibility movement and has focused on strengthening democracy in Brazil throughout his trajectory.

He has founded and led several institutions including PNBE, the Abrinq Foundation for Children and Adolescents’ Rights, ANDI, the Ethos Institute of Business and Social Responsibility, the World Social Forum and the Our Sao Paulo Network. The Our São Paulo Network aims to engage society and governments in promoting a more sustainable, democratic and fair country with a better quality of life for citizens. The Network is an important political and social force during these years, uniting around 700 organizations in order to promote fundamental changes in the city of São Paulo.

ABOUT THE GPSA

Hosted by the World Bank, the GPSA is a Global Partnership, a unique global multi-stakeholder community that brings together a powerful segment of organizations committed to – and engaged in – promoting transparency, responsive government, citizen participation in policy decision-making and implementation. The GPSA focuses on four branches:

- Knowledge and Learning
- Capacity Building
- Partnerships
- Funding & Grants

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LEADERSHIP AWARDS

The Global Partnership for Social Accountability (GPSA) is presenting for the first time the GPSA Awards for Leadership in Social Accountability in an official ceremony at the GPSA Partners Forum 2015. The ceremony will be hosted by Sanjay Pradhan, the Vice President for Leadership, Learning and Innovation (LLI). The Awards serve as a recognition granted to seven individuals in government, civil society organizations and the private sector for their outstanding contributions, influence and impact in the field of Social Accountability, as a means to eradicate poverty and foster shared prosperity.

AWARDS CEREMONY & COCKTAIL
HOSTED BY SANJAY PRADHAN
Tuesday May 12, 2015 | 5:30PM
World Bank Headquarters | MC ATRIUM
AFRICA REGION

Ibrahim Tanko Amidu
Programme Manager
STAR-Ghana, Ghana
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Ibrahim Tanko Amidu brought together development practitioners and CSOs to learn and support each other in implementing new participatory approaches to development. His greatest achievement has been focusing STAR-Ghana on supporting the piloting of innovative strategies linking citizens’ voices into governance processes. This led to the adoption by the Parliament of social accountability approaches in its interface with citizens, while CSOs have increased their capacity to engage with government and promote social accountability approaches in the governance of social services delivery.

MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

Aicha Ech-Chenna
Founder Solidarite Féminine
Morocco
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Aicha Ech-Chenna has dedicated over 50 years of her life to defend the cause of single mothers and their children in Morocco, where children conceived outside marriage are considered illegitimate and have no rights. She defends mother’s and children’s dignity and civil recognition and offers them a chance to be fully integrated in Moroccan society. Her activism has helped establish the right of single mothers to be the legal guardians of their children, changed the conception of Moroccan society toward single mothers and put the authorities face-to-face with their reality, expanding the role of local authorities in the protection of children.

LATIN AMERICA & CARIBBEAN

Gonzalo Hernandez Licona
Executive Secretary
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Gonzalo Hernandez Licona is head of CONEVAL, an independent council created by the Mexican Congress to produce official data on poverty in Mexico and to regulate and coordinate the evaluation of social programs and policies. Together with his fellow council members, he has played a key role in creating a culture of results-based social policy-making in Mexico, has expanded the Council’s mandate to include the sub-national state-level, and has installed an open data policy in which citizens not only have access to results, but can full access to data and methods to scrutinize and replicate results.

SOUTH ASIA REGION

Iftekhar Zaman
Executive Director
Transparency International Bangladesh
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Iftekhar Zaman has been instrumental in advocating for transparency and good governance, despite shrinking social space for dissent in Bangladesh. Under his leadership Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) has catalyzed several institutional, legal and policy reforms has established a country wide network of over 6,500 anti-corruption platforms of volunteers as Committees of Concerned Citizens and Youth Engagement, and Support TIB has created forums and mechanisms through which citizens can raise their opposition to corruption.

EUROPE & CENTRAL ASIA

Maia Sandu
Minister of Education
Moldova
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An economist by training, and a holder of MA degree from Harvard, Minister Sandu employs a systemic and rational approach in trying to raise the quality of education in a cost-effective way. Apart from the recently adopted new Education Code, her signature policy has been the enforcement of strict anti-cheating rules during high school graduation exams, which made her a national hero among many supporters from society. She works to engage NGO and citizens in the education debate by encouraging their role in monitoring the quality of education service delivery.

EAST ASIA PACIFIC REGION

Corazon Juliano-Soliman
Secretary, Department of Social Welfare, Philippines
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Secretary Soliman led the task of promoting synergy and inter-operability in government agencies through bottom-up approaches, and coordinating agencies’ work with local government with focus on the poorest localities and families. Under her leadership, the program was expanded nationwide, becoming best practice not only in the Philippines but also worldwide. Secretary Soliman also leads efforts to strengthen accountability among civil society organizations and champions the empowerment of marginalized Filipinos through Pantawid Pamilya, the Philippines’ Conditional Cash Transfer program.