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PWYP GLOBAL COUNCIL COMMUNIQUÉ

21 May 2019

We, the Publish What You Pay (PWYP) Global Council, convened in Istanbul, Turkey, on 30 April and 1 May 2019 for the first meeting of our three year term. Our meeting on 1 May was a joint meeting with the PWYP Board.

We focused on plans to implement PWYP's new Global Strategy, [Vision 2025](#), adopted at the PWYP Global Assembly in Dakar, Senegal, in January 2019. In support of Vision 2025 and until the end of our term we have committed to:

- Lead the implementation of the Global Goals of the Vision 2025 strategy to 2022.
- Learn and integrate lessons to enhance PWYP's global impact
- Ensure that empowered people and communities are at the centre of PWYP's agenda for change.

We will participate actively in PWYP regional meetings planned for 2019 and commission a learning evaluation of the first phase of the strategy.

At our meeting, we discussed achievements of, and challenges facing, our coalitions and members in our respective regions and ways to make PWYP more influential and representative of the constituencies we represent. We will each agree on individual objectives in consultation with our regional or organisational constituencies to help bring about a world where all citizens benefit from their natural resources, today and tomorrow.

We elected Athayde Motta to the PWYP Board, in line with provisions in the PWYP Governance Manual that a Global Council member sits on the Board as Global Council Liaison.

We welcomed PWYP Secretariat Executive Director Elisa Peter's recent appointment to the Open Government Partnership Steering Committee. We are confident that this will enhance the OGP's capacity to deliver open government commitments to increase transparency and accountability in the natural resources sector, and to protect and advance democratic space for citizen participation. It will be important for PWYP to progress both these priorities, as well as a strong gender perspective, at the OGP's 6th Global Summit in Ottawa, Canada, on 29-31 May.



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In looking forward to the EITI Global Conference on 18-19 June in Paris, France, we will continue to work to consolidate gains through the EITI Standard to strengthen norms for the disclosure of oil, gas and mining data. We will ensure that the EITI remains relevant and reflects emerging best practices in key areas such as contract transparency, project-level disclosure, environmental reporting, gender, commodity trading transparency, and the continued safeguarding of civic space.

While meeting with the PWYP Board, we noted with sadness the death of former United States Senator Richard Lugar, who during his career worked tirelessly to combat corruption. Senator Lugar's legacy includes the U.S. extractives transparency law, Section 1504 of the 2010 Dodd-Frank Act, which empowers citizens to hold their governments accountable for the use of oil, gas and mining revenues and has since been replicated in 30 countries around the world.

We look forward to continuing to work together on behalf of the PWYP movement in the coming three years.

In solidarity.

PWYP Global Council*

Mariatou Amadou, Francophone West Africa

Adnan Bahiya, Middle East and North Africa

Miles Litvinoff, Europe and North America

Chadwick Llanos, Asia Pacific

Athayde Motta, Latin America

Isabel Munilla, Global Reach

Joe Williams, Global Reach

* Dupleix Kuenzob, representing the Africa Steering Committee, Chenai Mukumba, representing Anglophone Eastern and Southern Africa and Council chair, and Aigul Sultanova, representing Eurasia, were unable to attend.