**National Secretariat of Iraqi Extractive Industries Transparency** 

## **2017 - 2018 Work Plan**

An outline for IEITI objects set out by the Stakeholders Council and executed by the National Secretariat to enhance Transparency, Governance, and public awareness of the natural resources of Iraq

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**<u>Object 1</u>**: Enhance and support mechanisms of accountability about the management of natural resources. **<u>Rational</u>**:

- Unavailability of data and information of the natural resources field.
- Lack of clarity about the mechanisms of accountability in the field of natural resources, and weakness of these mechanisms.

| No.        | Activity  | Outcome  | Responsible Party  | Timeline           | Cost      | Funding                        |
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| <u>1.1</u> | Issue IEITI 2016 and 2017 Reports   |  |  |                    |           |                                |
| 1          | <b>1.1.1</b> Prepare IEITI Report within the timeline and according to EITI standards | A report includes data and<br>information about the natural<br>resources of Iraq                         | - MSG<br>-National<br>Secretariat<br>-Independent<br>Administrator   | Q4,2017<br>Q4,2018 | \$400,000 | World<br>Bank<br>Iraqi<br>Gov. |
| 2          | <b>1.1.2</b> IEITI report launch conference   | Introduce IEITI report to the multi stakeholders   | -MSG<br>-National<br>Secretariat<br>-Independent<br>Administrator    | Q4,2017<br>Q4,2018 | \$50,00   | World<br>Bank<br>Iraqi<br>Gov. |
| 3          | <b>1.1.3</b> Disseminate IEITI report   | Better awareness of both<br>production of the extractive<br>sector and documentation of<br>revenue data. | - MSG<br>- National<br>Secretariat<br>- Independent<br>Administrator | Q4,2017<br>2018    | \$20,000  | World<br>Bank<br>Iraqi<br>Gov. |

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| <u>1.2 '</u> | Training on mechanisms of accountability   |   |                                |                     |           |                                |
| 4            | <b>1.2.1</b> Training for Civil Society on the mechanisms of support and monitoring of IEITI   | <ul> <li>Support civil society</li> <li>organisations to achieve a better</li> <li>understanding of the extractive</li> <li>industries sector and other topics</li> <li>related to it.</li> <li>Achieve the best possible</li> <li>awareness on the role of EITI in</li> <li>monitoring the transparency of</li> <li>revenues on both short and long</li> <li>terms.</li> </ul> | National<br>Secretariat        | Q3,2017<br>Q1,2018  | \$150,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov.                  |
| 5            | <b>1.2.2</b> Training of National Secretariat staff on making surveys and other observing mechanisms to verify the impact of IEITI reports | <ul> <li>An effective implementation of<br/>EITI in Iraq.</li> <li>Verify the public awareness of<br/>the transparency in the extractive<br/>sector and the role of EITI in<br/>enhancing it.</li> </ul>  | National<br>Secretariat        | Q4, 2017            | \$200,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov.                  |
| 6            | <b>1.2.3</b> Evaluate and monitor execution of IEITI work plan   | Ensuring execution of the work<br>plan according to the objects it's<br>planned for.  | MSG                            | 2017<br>2018        | -         | -                              |
| 7            | <b>1.2.4</b> Organise workshops related to accountability for the multi-stakeholders   | - mainstreaming EITI process in the oil, gas and mining industry.   | MSG<br>National<br>secretariat | Q2,2017<br>Q1, 2018 | \$150,000 | World<br>Bank<br>Iraqi<br>Gov. |

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| 1.3 Verification of EITI implementation in Iraq |  |  |                                       |                    |           |               |  |  |
| 8   | <b>1.3.1</b> Publish validation report   | Verify the compilation of Iraq<br>with EITI standards            | National<br>Secretariat               | Q3,Q4 2017         | \$100,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov. |  |  |
| 9   | <b>1.3.2</b> follow up with the validator recommendations to improve EITI path in Iraq   | - Improve IEITI reports,<br>implementation and impact            | National<br>Secretariat               | Q3,Q4 2017<br>2018 | -         | -             |  |  |
| <u>1.4</u>                                      | Identify sustainable resources to fund EITI implementa   | <u>ition in Iraq</u>   |                                       |                    |           |               |  |  |
| 10  | <b>1.4.1</b> Follow up IEITI allocations with the Government and the World Bank.   | Provide the necessary funding for carrying out IEITI activities. | National<br>Secretariat<br>World Bank | 2017<br>2018       | \$ 50,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov. |  |  |
| <u>1.5 </u>                                     | Implementation of Beneficial Ownership   |  |                                       |                    |           |               |  |  |
| 11  | 11 1.5.1 Application of beneficial ownership activities, outcomes and timeline are shown in the link below:<br>http://ieiti.org.iq/uploads/beneficial%20ownership/Road%20Map%20of%20beneficial-ownership%20of%20Iraq.pdf |  |                                       |                    |           |               |  |  |

## **<u>Object 2:</u>** Raising the public debate.

<u>Rational</u>: the lack of constructive communication between the multi-stakeholders had created a turbulent atmosphere between them and contributed in increasing the political instability.

| No.        | Activity  | Outcome   | Responsible<br>Party           | Timeline                     | Cost      | Funding       |  |  |  |  |
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| <u>2.1</u> | 2.1 Raising the public awareness  |   |                                |                              |           |               |  |  |  |  |
| 12         | <b>2.1.1</b> Awareness and outreach activities in Iraqi governorates and Kurdistan region.              | <ul> <li>Information about oil, gas and<br/>mining become more accessible<br/>and widely available.</li> <li>Increase knowledge and<br/>awareness in the Iraqi<br/>community which will raise the<br/>public debate.</li> </ul> | MSG<br>National<br>Secretariat | Q1,Q2,<br>2017<br>Q1,Q2,2018 | \$200,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov. |  |  |  |  |
| 13         | <b>2.1.2</b> Produce publications and info graphics summarize the information and data in IEITI report. | Ensure raising the public<br>awareness- through the<br>simplified information- of the<br>report content and on a wider<br>range, of the natural resources<br>revenues.  | National<br>Secretariat        | 2017<br>2018                 | \$200,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov. |  |  |  |  |

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| <u>2.2</u> | Media promotion of IEITI   |  |   |                        |           |                                |
| 14         | <b>2.2.1</b> IEITI website   | <ul> <li>A wider platform to publish a detailed data of the extractive sector and IEITI activities.</li> <li>IEITI news, events, future plans and publications are regularly announced.</li> </ul> | National<br>Secretariat                               | Q1,2017                | \$30,000  | World<br>Bank<br>Iraqi<br>Gov. |
| 15         | <b>2.2.2</b> Set out a communication plan with multi-stakeholders group and the federal and local governments. | Create an effective<br>communication space between<br>the multi-stakeholders   | MSG<br>National<br>Secretariat                        | Q1,2017                | \$ 40,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov.                  |
| 16         | <b>2.2.3</b> Roundtables for multi-stakeholders with federal and local governments                             | Convergence of viewpoints<br>about the management of<br>natural resources.   | Iraqi<br>Government<br>MSG<br>National<br>Secretariat | Q2,Q3,<br>2017<br>2018 | \$30,000  | Iraqi<br>Gov.                  |

**<u>Object 3:</u>** Follow up and improve the impact of natural resources revenues on the sustainable development.

<u>Rationale</u>: A weakness in applying the sustainable development policies, as the high volume of the natural resources revenues -which forms more than 90% from Iraq resources-; isn't reflected on the sustainable development.

| No.   | Activity  | Outcome  | Responsible<br>Party   | Timeline           | Cost               | Funding        |  |  |  |
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| 3.1 Analyse the petroleum contracts of Iraq |   |  |  |                    |                    |                |  |  |  |
|   | <b>3.1.1</b> Organise workshops to discuss and analyse the  |  | MSG  |                    |                    |                |  |  |  |
| 17  |   | Transform the data into a practical means of   | National<br>Secretariat  | Q1,2017<br>Q1,2018 | \$ 50 <i>,</i> 000 | Iraqi<br>Gov.  |  |  |  |
|   |   | accountability.  | EITI   | Q1,2018            |                    |                |  |  |  |
|   |   |  | World Bank   |                    |                    |                |  |  |  |
| <u>3.2</u>                                  | Analyse the 2017 and 2018 budgets of Iraq   |  |  |                    |                    |                |  |  |  |
| 18  | <b>3.2.1</b> Make analytical studies on the budgets of Iraq, and hold workshops for specialists to discuss the results and recommendations of the study and then, trying to improve it.                           | Contribute in improving<br>management of revenues in a<br>better way.  | -MSG<br>-National<br>Secretariat                                 | Q2,2017            | \$ 30,000          | -Iraqi<br>Gov. |  |  |  |
| 19  | <b>3.2.2</b> Make studies on the methods of using the resources to achieve the sustainable development in the Iraqi governorates, and hold workshops for specialists to improve the recommendations of the study. | Contribute in improving<br>management and distribution of<br>the revenues to achieve the<br>sustainable revenue. | -MSG<br>-National<br>Secretariat                                 | Q3,2017            | \$30,000           | -Iraqi<br>Gov. |  |  |  |
| 20  | <b>3.2.3</b> Roundtables with related parliamentarian and governmental entities to submit recommendations about improving the methods of using the resources to achieve the sustainable development.              | Contribute in approving on<br>mechanisms to use the<br>resources for the sustainable<br>development.             | -House of<br>Representatives<br>-MSG<br>-National<br>Secretariat | Q4,2017            | \$ 30,000          | -Iraqi<br>Gov. |  |  |  |

**<u>Object 4</u>**: Clarify and enhance the laws and policies that support the governance of the sector.

Rationale: Existence of disputes on the constitutional paragraphs related to the extractive sector and non-existence of united national law organising the extractive industries sector, where it's governed now by several laws, some of them are in contrast with the current reality and the constitution.

| No. | Activity  | Outcome   | Responsible<br>Party   | Timeline | Cost      | Funding       |
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| 21  | <ul> <li>4.1Formation of mutual committee from the stakeholders council and the legal experts to study the draft IEITI law and submit recommendations for amendment before submitting it to the house of representatives and the government.</li> <li>4.2 Formation of mutual committee from the Stakeholders Council and related parliamentarian committees to discuss and approve IEITI law.</li> </ul> | - Prepare draft IEITI law<br>- Submit draft IEITI law to the<br>House of Representatives for<br>approval  | -House of<br>Representatives<br>-MSG<br>-National<br>Secretariat | Q1,2017  | \$ 30,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov. |
| 22  | <b>4.3</b> Make an analytical study to the governing rules and draft oil and gas laws, followed by roundtables for related entities and members of the House of Representatives to discuss the results and recommendations of the study.  | More knowledge of the<br>governing laws and the points<br>of contrast so it can be treated<br>within the laws submitted to the<br>House of representatives. | -House of<br>Representatives<br>-MSG<br>-National<br>Secretariat | Q3,2017  | \$ 30,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov. |
| 23  | <b>4.4</b> Make an analytical study on the draft law of obtaining information, followed by roundtables for the parliamentarians and related entities to discuss results and recommendations of the study.   | More knowledge of the draft<br>law and working on improving<br>it.  | -House of<br>Representatives<br>-MSG<br>-National<br>Secretariat | Q1,2018  | \$ 30,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov. |

| No. | Activity  | Outcome  | Responsible<br>Party   | Timeline | Cost      | Funding       |
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| 24  | <b>4.5</b> Make an analytical study on the draft law of management and distribution of resources for the parliamentarians and related entities to discuss results and recommendations of the study                                    | Better knowledge to the law and seeking to improve it.   | -House of<br>Representatives<br>-MSG<br>-National<br>Secretariat | Q3,2017  | \$ 30,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov. |
| 25  | <b>4.6</b> Roundtables for the related entities in obtaining taxes from companies, to discuss the regulations and procedures related to obtaining taxes by the general board of taxes and transforming it to the Ministry of Finance. | Contribute to find clear<br>mechanisms to obtain the taxes<br>from companies according to<br>the law of taxes. | -House of<br>Representatives<br>-MSG<br>-National<br>Secretariat | Q2, 2017 | \$ 30,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov. |
| 26  | <b>4.7</b> Capacity building for the Stakeholders council regarding the mechanisms of management and governance of extractive industries sector and the new standards of EITI.  | Better knowledge for the<br>Stakeholders council with the<br>governance of extractive<br>industries            | National<br>Secretariat<br>MSG                                   | Q3,2017  | \$100,000 | Iraqi<br>Gov. |

| No.                   | Activity   | Outcome                        | Responsible<br>Party    | Timeline     | Cost      | Fundi<br>ng                    |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| 27                    | Operational expenses of the National Secretariat                                       | Implementation of EITI in Iraq | National<br>Secretariat | 2017<br>2018 | \$270,000 | World<br>Bank<br>Iraqi<br>Gov. |
| 28                    | IEITI National Secretariat payments for consultants (other than the report) and staff. | Implementation of EITI in Iraq | National<br>Secretariat | 2017<br>2018 | \$250,000 | World<br>bank<br>Iraqi<br>Gov. |
| Total cost: \$ 2,700, |  |                                |                         |              |           |                                |