Open Contracting Implementation in West African Regional Context

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Objectives

- Improve transparency and accountability of public procurement and extractive industries contracting;
- Build capacity of country coalitions to monitor contracting processes and outcomes;
- Strengthen and support multi-stakeholder coalitions that will monitor the award and implementation of contracts in priority sectors;
- Create an informal regional network among the four country coalitions.
STRATEGY TO ENGAGE

 Constructive Engagement

 Collaborative Engagement – Multi-Stakeholder Approach

 Inclusiveness – involve the beneficiary for sustainability
KEY TOOLS

ﷺ Access to Information

ﷺ Quality information that allows understanding

ﷺ Simplified information that can be used for monitoring
Electricity supply - Nigeria
Primary and Secondary waste management - Liberia
Road construction and school building – Sierra Leone & Ghana
NIGERIA - ABUJA
Assessed the Construction of George Walker Bush High Way funded by MDA

Monitor the construction of roads in:
  - Greater Accra – GOG Funded
  - Central and Ashanti Regions – Japanese Govt Funded

Assess the processes leading to the awards of road contracts and their implementation

Developing Tools to monitor School Building
Liberia Coalition

Seeks to address the problem of opaque procurement and contracting processes that have allowed corruption to flourish while undermining effective provision of services to citizens.

- To increase community access to information about municipal procurement and contracting processes
- To ensure that services delivered is commensurate with the value of the contract
- To establish an inclusive and sustainable monitoring framework that improves infrastructure, service and program delivery
A school building which was supposed to have been completed but still at the foundation level
Advocacy and Policy input

- It seeks to provide a broader citizen participation and interest in the contracting and implementation.
- Multi-stakeholder approach provides increased visibility, collective protection and effectiveness for desired impact
- Shared Effort and harmonised resources for effective impact and policy engagement
- Opportunity to share local experiences and insights regionally
- Collective Regional Policy Influence and Advocacy - WAAPAC
“The contract is a point of leverage, giving the opportunity for civil society, to position itself as a legitimate actor to monitor the work being done by a company, and for this reason it needs to be accessible”
Lorenzo

“Open contracting reinforces mechanisms to improve accountability through inclusion and disclosure and to build trust among stakeholders through participation”
Hamish

Change can only happen through collaborative work and acting against all odds change through open contracting.
THANK YOU