



New Zealand's membership of OGP

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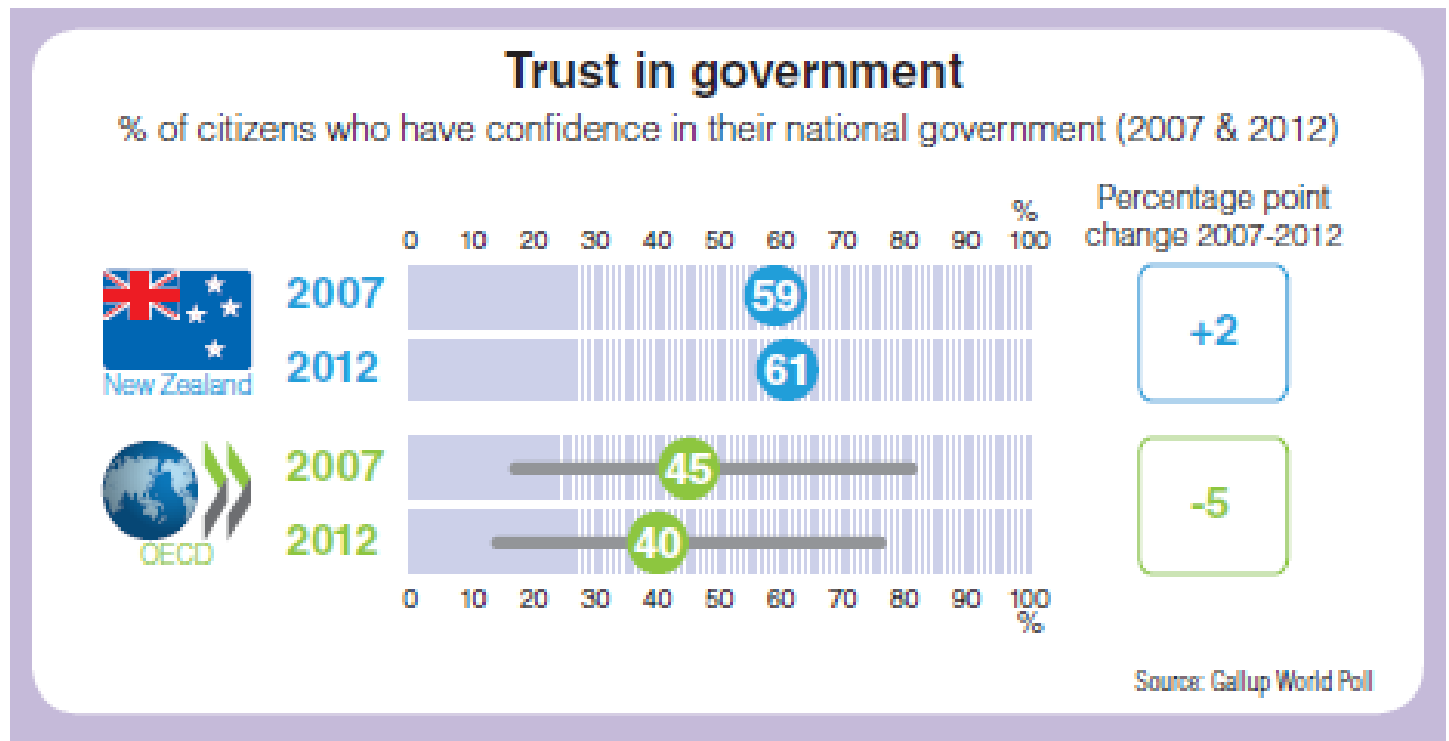
The logo for the Open Government Partnership (OGP) is centered on a dark grey rectangular background. It consists of the words "Open", "Government", and "Partnership" stacked vertically in a white, sans-serif font. Below the text is a horizontal bar composed of 18 vertical stripes of various colors: red, blue, green, yellow, orange, black, green, red, blue, yellow, orange, red, blue, green, yellow, blue, orange, and teal.

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What is the OGP?

- Launched in 2011 with 8 countries
- Now standing at 64 countries
 - France latest country to join (April 2014)
 - PNG announced its intention to join at the OGP summit
- Every country produces an Action Plan
 - With measurable commitments
 - New Zealand joined in December last year & is currently finalizing its national Action Plan
- Evaluation takes place via Independent Review

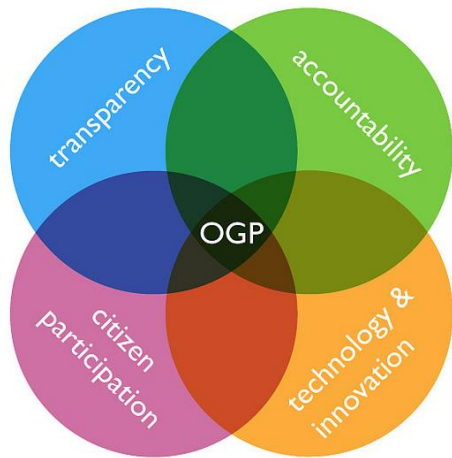
Did you know?



OECD *Government at a Glance* 2013

http://www.oecd.org/gov/GAAG2013_CFS_NZL.pdf

Grand Challenges and Core Values



1. **Improve public services**

Full spectrum of citizen services (health, education, criminal justice, etc.)

2. **Improve public integrity**

Anti corruption, public ethics, access to information, party/campaign finance

3. **More effectively manage public resources**

Budgets, procurement, natural resources, foreign assistance

4. **Create safer communities**

Security sector, disaster and crisis response, environmental threats

5. **Increase corporate accountability**

CSR views on environment, anti-corruption, consumer protection, community engagement

The role of Civil Society

- Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) crucial to the OGP project
- Some countries (e.g. UK, Mexico) faced heavy initial criticism for ignoring CSOs
- Have subsequently become much more involved
 - Both in Action Plans and Implementation Strategies
 - For individual country examples please follow the links from <http://www.opengovpartnership.org/countries>

Story so far?

- 45% all OGP commitments have been achieved
- Of 775 OGP commitments 318 (41%) were entirely new initiatives

OGP BY NUMBERS IN 2013

16 countries developed almost **300** new open government commitments as part of their OGP action plans

OGP's website had a total of **161,056** unique visitors, an increase of **39%** from 2012

Over **1500** participants from **108** different countries participated in the London Summit

OGP launched partnerships with **4** multilateral institutions (World Bank, UNDP, OECD and IDB)

OGP launched **5** new thematic working groups

The London Summit hashtag, #OGP13, trended on Twitter in the UK on October 31st, and a Thunderclap reached a potential audience of **5.5 million** people

OGP's blog views increased from **38,124** in 2012 to **104,824** in 2013, with **201** authors now having contributed to the blog

The Independent Reporting Mechanism posted its first **8** progress reports for the founding OGP countries, reviewing their progress on **175** OGP commitments

3 Heads of State, **1** Deputy Head of State, and over **30** Ministers attended the London Summit

OGP co-hosted **2** regional meetings (Latin America and Africa), which attracted over **500** participants from **36** countries

OGP received **142** session proposals from the open government community for the London Summit

OGP's social media following grew from **9,519** to **20,437** (Twitter, Facebook, YouTube)

5 new countries joined OGP

Notable successes

- Little meta-analysis as yet
- Some studies have been undertaken
- E.g. Commitments to Open Budgeting
<http://fiscaltransparency.net/wp-content/uploads/2014/05/OGP-GIFT-FOWG-Dublin-Petrie-Background.pdf>
- Data is available for further studies

NZ's Action Plan

➤ **Initial Foundations of 3 key pillars:**

1. Better Public Services (Result 10)

➤ NZrs can easily complete their transactions with government in a digital environment

➤ ICT Strategy and Action Plan

➤ Respond to TINZ National Integrity System

Key questions

- How will these translate into specific commitments?
- What will be the pathway for future OGP activity?
- What will the participatory infrastructure be?
- How do these fit into the lessons from the OGP summit?

Recent events – Asia Pacific summit

- Plenary speeches

 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ndhKWUwwgbE>

 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AGsbrqcJR4>

- Breakout presentations and discussion sessions

- Lightning Talks

 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=huem3QdCZWc>

- Extra event specifically for Civil Society Organisations (May 4-5)

New Zealand's representation

- Hon. Peter Dunne gave an opening address and a presentation
 - <http://www.beehive.govt.nz/speech/speech-day-two-legislative-openness-working-group-indonesia>
- Keitha Booth (Open Govt and Information Data Programme)
- Gordon Davis (SSC) and myself gave a joint presentation
- TINZ represented by Fuimaono Tuiasau

Opportunities for NZ

- **Leadership role** on the global stage
 - There was an expectation that NZ could show the way forward in terms of open government
- **Technology and innovation**
 - Other OGP countries have really taken this to heart
- **Collaboration is king**
 - Need for governments to listen
 - only 42% of OGP countries had proven to have had appropriate pre-AP consultation
 - 87% after self-assessment is published

Crucial areas to consider

- Showing commitment to the OGP community
 - Action plan must have some teeth
- Getting the infrastructure right
 - Need to be able to consult broadly, deeply and on an ongoing basis
- Understand the long-game
 - OGP not about one Action Plan – its about continual improvement

The challenge now

- How should people be involved?
- What forms of engagement would you welcome?
- What would you like to be consulted about?
- Or in other words...

How do we move...

