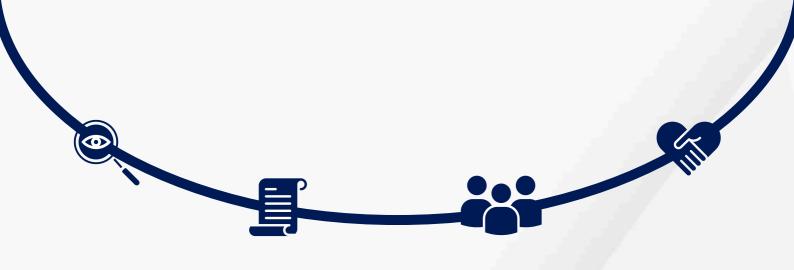


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Strengthening Foundations:



Foreword

As we reflect on the past year, it is with a sense of pride and renewed commitment that I present the 2023 Annual Progress Report of the Philippine Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (PH-EITI). Our journey through the year has been both challenging and rewarding, underscored by significant advancements in governance, transparency, and stakeholder engagement within the extractive industries of the Philippines.

In 2023, PH-EITI continued to embody the principles that are foundational to our mission—transparency, accountability, and inclusive participation. With the world increasingly focused on sustainable practices and responsible governance, our role in ensuring that the extractive industries operate not just efficiently but ethically has never been more critical. This year's efforts were aimed at strengthening the institutional frameworks that support our work, deepening our engagements with stakeholders, and enhancing the transparency mechanisms that inform and empower our citizens.

Our strategic objectives for the year were ambitiously set to tackle both persistent and emerging challenges. The formulation and diligent execution of our annual work plan led to noteworthy successes in areas such as strengthening institutional linkages, enhancing systematic disclosures, and expanding the scope of civic participation—a testament to the hard work of our Multi-Stakeholder Group (MSG) and the Secretariat. The collaborative spirit of government bodies, civil society organizations, and industry participants has been exceptional, driving forward our agenda to embed transparency deeper into the fabric of resource governance.

As you read this report, I invite you to join us in reflecting on the achievements we have made together and to contribute to the discussions and actions that lie ahead. The path toward improved governance of natural resources is long and complex, but with your continued support and participation, it is one that we can navigate successfully.

Thank you for your trust, partnership, and commitment to the principles of the EITI. Together, we are setting the benchmarks for transparency and accountability that will ensure the extractive industries play a positive role in the development of the Philippines.

Bayani H. Agabin

Undersecretary, Department of Finance Focal Person and Chair, Philippine EITI

General Assessment of the Period

Greetings from PH-E1T7!

In 2023, the PH-EITI experienced great success in continuously upholding the country's commitment to responsibility and openness in the extractives sector. The Annual Progress Report (APR) for 2023 is divided into four pivotal chapters, each illuminating our strides in advancing the EITI Standard.

Chapter One looks into the realm of **Strengthening Institutions and Linkages**, elucidating the enduring collaboration among the government, industry, and civil society. It highlights our concerted endeavors aimed at fostering EITI implementation at the subnational level, along with outlining our active engagement with esteemed development partners, including fellow EITI implementers, as evidenced by our participation in the esteemed Global Conference.

Dedicated to the intricate process of **Mainstreaming Disclosures**, Chapter Two chronicles the efforts invested in creating the 9th Country Report, focusing on disclosures in FY 2021. Central to this discussion is the thematic exploration of "**Recovery: Regaining Ground and the Need to Expand Civic Spaces**". The report, published on December 30, 2023, on the PH-EITI website, features a dedicated chapter on civil society engagement, in anticipation of validation the following year. Additionally, this chapter expounds on PH-EITI's initiatives toward systematic disclosure, including the development of data portals such as the Extractive Data Generator (EDGe) and efforts to enhance transparency in Beneficial Ownership disclosures.

Chapter Three showcases our unwavering commitment to Enhancing Stakeholder Capacity, cataloging the myriad of engagements ranging from MSG meetings to national and international forums, such as the EITI Global Conference and a peer learning session with the Mongolian EITI. Integral to this discourse are the comprehensive stakeholder consultations conducted across diverse communities affected by extractive activities, alongside our efforts to communicate EITI data to the public and foster initiatives aimed at energy transition.

Lastly, Chapter Four offers an overview of PH-EITI's **Monitoring Progress**, delineating our pivotal role in supporting public debate through Beneficial Ownership Transparency initiatives, the establishment of a feedback mechanism to address grievances, and incorporating constructive suggestions for bolstering implementation efforts. This chapter also provides insights into the meetings of the PH-EITI MSG and its respective committees, administrative operations, and total costs associated with implementation endeavors.

With great pride, we present the PH-EITI's Annual Progress Report for 2023. It is a monument to our constant dedication to excellence, accountability, and transparency in all aspects of our operations.

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Strengthening Institutions and Linkages



In the photo: The Multi-stakeholder Group sought to present the work plans for the fiscal year, 2023 at its meeting on Century Park Hotel, Manila.

MSG Governance

Multi-Stakeholder Group Meetings

In 2023, the PH-EITI Multi-Stakeholder Group (MSG) established four specialized committees to streamline decision-making processes in the extractives sector. These committees, including the Implementation Committee, Stakeholder Engagement Committee, Governance and Oversight Committee, and Finance Committee, were responsible for monitoring EITI Standard implementation, ensuring stakeholder participation, overseeing governance, and managing finances. The formation of these committees allowed for more focused discussions on critical areas, enabling the MSG to address complex issues more effectively.

The MSG convened quarterly to discuss various matters of importance. The first quarter's 84th meeting focused on committee assignments and updates, the FY 2021 country report production, the nomination for the Philippines' representative to the EITI board, amendments to Executive Order No. 147, s. 2013, and preparations for the 2023 EITI Global Conference in Dakar, Senegal. The second quarter's 85th meeting discussed the progress of the FY 2021 country report, amendments to EO 147, s. 2013, and other stakeholder concerns.

The third quarter's 86th meeting focused on plans for the 2023 Extractives Transparency Week, addressing Validation corrective actions for EITI requirement 1.3, and the production of the FY2021 country report. The year concluded with the 87th meeting, where the FY 2021 country report was finalized, updates on EO 147, s. 2013, and the status of reports received through the feedback mechanism.



In the photo: MSG members convened and participated in the 2023 PH-EITI MSG Conference.

PH-EITI MSG Conference

The PH-EITI MSG conducted a strategic planning conference from March 22-24, 2023, in Malate, Manila. The purpose of the conference was to finalize both the PH-EITI implementation framework and the annual work plan for 2023.

The work plan aligns with the national priorities set forth in the 8-Point Socioeconomic Agenda of the Marcos Jr. administration, as well as the broader Philippine Development Plan for 2023-2028. Specifically, PH-EITI is committed to the following initiatives:



The work plan was formulated using the Results-Based Management (RBM) Framework and took into consideration various documents, including previous work plans, progress reports, and recommendations from country reports and stakeholder activities. This comprehensive approach also incorporated validation corrective actions, the Department of Finance's Open Government Partnership (OGP) commitments, the PH-EITI Mainstreaming Action Plan, the Opening Extractives engagement plan for the Philippines, and the Philippine Development Plan for 2023-2028.



In the photo: Extractives stakeholders gathered at the 2023 Extractive Transparency Week.

Spaces for multistakeholder participation

To guarantee genuine multistakeholder engagement in the extractive sector, the MSG identified the need to map existing multistakeholder platforms within the extractive industries value chain. In pursuit of this goal, the PH-EITI Secretariat partnered with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources - Mines and Geosciences Bureau (DENR-MGB). A key step was to obtain a comprehensive directory of Provincial/City Mining Regulatory Boards (P/CMRBs) across the country. Utilizing this directory, the Secretariat conducted an in-depth analysis of the composition of these regulatory boards. This analysis aimed to evaluate their current structure and explore their potential as a foundational element for local-level EITI implementation.



Institutionalization

The PH-EITI Secretariat closely monitored legislative developments, notably House Bill 06950, which seeks to officially establish the Philippine Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative. This bill is currently pending with the Committee on Natural Resources, marking a significant step towards formalizing the PH-EITI's role and operations.



Chapter I: Strengthening Institutions and Linkages

Subnationalization

Subnationalizing Extractives Transparency - Ushering Participatory Governance (SET-UP-GO) is the PH-EITI's subnationalization program, which seeks to decentralize the implementation of EITI to communities that are affected by extractive activities, effectively letting the governance of natural resources closer to the people.

To make the subnationalization effort more concrete, it was proposed as a commitment to the Philippine Open Government Partnership (PH-OGP), which opened up its conceptualization to civil society through collaborative discourse. It was eventually included in PH-OGP's 6th National Action Plan (NAP), which spans from 2024 to 2027.



In the photo: The PH-EITI Secretariat presents SET-UP-GO to members of civil society and fellow participating government agencies in the PH-OGP Roundtable Discussion at The Bayleaf Intramuros.

SET-UP-GO is expected to produce the following results:

- Improve the capacity of stakeholders for reporting extractives data
- Strengthen stakeholder support for EITI initiatives
- Reinforce the impact of EITI on extractives governance
- Establish a system for monitoring and reporting

Among SET-UP-GO's key features include the integration of MSG functions to Local Development Councils (LDCs) and the development of a Central Data Management Platform, where civil society can readily view EITI data from extractive companies within their immediate vicinity. The data is also expected to help guide in participatory budgeting at the local government level.



Extractives Integrity Study

In 2022, the PH-EITI engaged Dr. Ramandeep Kaur Chhina from FLE Compliance Ltd as the consultant for the Extractives Integrity Study, which aimed to diagnose and address any corruption risks in the mining, oil, and gas sectors. Dr. Chhina's final report was presented during the MSG Conference in February 2023.

The PH-EITI Secretariat contacted Dr. Chhina to share the MSG's feedback on the study's conclusions. The MSG expressed interest in speaking with Dr. Chhina virtually to learn more about the project. Dr. Chhina's response is currently pending at the Secretariat.

The EITI International Secretariat has stated that since Dr. Chhina's contract has already expired, the consultant cannot be contacted for further feedback or changes. The final output will be either accepted or rejected by the PH-EITI MSG.

Engagement with Development Partners

Representatives from the PH-EITI Secretariat participated in the 2023 EITI Global Conference, which took place in Dakar, Senegal, from June 12 to 15. The conference brought together over 1,000 stakeholders to assess the advancements made in disclosing and utilizing open data for transparent natural resource management. During the event, attendees discussed the significance of data-driven approach in informing decision-making, conducting analysis, and fostering public discussions on accountable resource management.

On June 23, 2023, representatives from the PH-EITI Secretariat and the Intergovernmental Forum on Mining Minerals, Metals, and Sustainable Development held a meeting to explore potential collaboration opportunities. This involves the implementation of a pilot post-mining training program in the Philippines.



In the photo: At the exhibitors booth during the 2023 EITI Global Conference, The PH-EITI MSG and National Secretariat shared the initiatives and current development of the Philippines about data utilization with the attendees from different nationalities.

II. Mainstreaming Disclosures



Report Production

During the 85th MSG Meeting on May 12, 2023, the MSG agreed to have the Implementation Committee convene and discuss the outline and theme for the 9th Country Report (FY 2021). The MSG members expressed their initial interest in having the 9th Country Report present a narrative on the growth potential of the extractives industry and civil society's engagement in the EITI process.

The MSG Implementation Committee approved the theme "Recovery: Regaining Ground and the Need to Expand Civic Spaces" for the 9th Country Report (FY 2021) during its 2nd committee meeting on July 14, 2023.

While pending approval for the final outline and content of the Report, the PH-EITI Secretariat and the Independent Administrator initiated the production of the Report. The approval for the definitive outline of the Report was given during the 3rd Implementation Committee meeting on October 11, 2023.

On December 30, 2023, the 9th Country Report (FY 2021) was published on the PH-EITI official website. The published report included three main chapters: (1) Contextual Information, (2) Reconciliation, and (3) Civil Society Engagement.



The FY 2021 Country Report Recovery: Regaining Ground and the Need to Expand Civic Spaces Report Production

Chapter II: Mainstreaming Disclosures

Systematic disclosure or Data Mainstreaming

PH-EITI initiated to devise a platform that will Integrate database systems of government reporting agencies aligned with EITI requirements to promote digitalization and ease of doing business in the extractives sector by simplifying submission, monitoring, and reporting processes.

On July 25, 2023, the PH-EITI Secretariat and the Department of Finance -Central Management Information Office (CMIO) convened for a consultation meeting to explore collaborative opportunities for establishing a central database system within the extractive sector. During this session, Director Angelica Sarmiento expressed her enthusiasm for the project and pledged full support, offering assistance and in-house development resources for the system. Subsequently, the PH-EITI Secretariat received comprehensive functional and technical requirements to advance the project further.

Last July 27, 2023, aligned with the planned project, former DOF Undersecretary Cielo Magno, accompanied by the PH-EITI Secretariat, engaged in discussions with DENR Secretary Yulo-Loyzaga regarding pertinent mining issues. Also, the meeting delved into the goals, significance, and details of the proposed platform, the Integrated Shared Service for the extractives sector. Subsequently, it was agreed upon to establish transparent communication channels with relevant agencies and to form a Technical Working Group (TWG) to assess the feasibility of the proposal.



In the photo: The PH-EITI Secretariat and former DOF Undersecretary Cielo Magno discussed digitalization and data mainstreaming with DENR Secretary Yulo-Loyaga at the DENR office.

On October 17, 2023, the PH-EITI Secretariat convened with the Department of Energy (DOE), engaging in discussions with Director Nenito Jariel Jr. and Director Agustus Navarro concerning digitalization and data mainstreaming initiatives. The agenda included conveying the proposal for an integrated shared service aimed at encompassing reporting entities within the oil and gas industry. Additionally, the meeting addressed challenges associated with establishing a license register and organized workshops focusing on systematic disclosure. Recommendations were put forth, emphasizing coordination with the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) regarding the proposed centralized platform and the scheduling of a special meeting with the PH-EITI MSG to deliberate on digitalization and data mainstreaming strategies.



In the photo: The PH-EITI Secretariat met with Department of Energy (DOE) Director Nenito Jariel Jr. and Director Agustus Navarro to discuss potential collaborations on digitalization and data mainstreaming.

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To initiate systematic disclosure, the PH-EITI Secretariat collaborated with the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) and the Bureau of Customs (BOC) to request data on company royalty payments to IP communities and revenue streams in custom duties, VAT, and excise tax on imported materials. Requesting and sharing data on royalty payments and imported goods ensures transparency in the process and holds companies and governments accountable for fulfilling their obligations. These data were utilized for the production of the FY 2021 PH-EITI Report.

On embracing comprehensive, verified, and accurate disclosure of EITI practices, the PH-EITI has taken vital steps toward responsible extraction, a digitalized system, and improved stakeholder relations. Continued commitment to transparency and engagement will be essential in sustaining these accomplishments and driving further progress.



Development of Data Portals

At the onset of the second quarter of 2023, PH-EITI strategically outlined working plans for inclusive and effective natural resource governance in the extractives sector, which include streamlining EITI reporting. Among the initiatives for streamlining data were enhancing stakeholder engagement, improving transparency in data access, strengthening accountability, and encouraging sustainable practices.

Part of the work plan involved further developing data portals for mainstreaming. PH-EITI initiated the enhancement of the Extractive Data Generator (EDGe) using data visualization techniques. This shift from simply displaying extractive data in table format to showcasing interactive dashboards simplifies the communication of complex information and performance metrics. These easy-to-understand visualizations foster transparency, trust, and effective collaboration. They help stakeholders make sense of vast and complex datasets, ultimately leading to more efficient and responsible operations in the extractive industry.

The Beneficial Ownership Registry and the Contracts Portal have been thoroughly updated and refined to ensure transparency and accountability. Details were carefully reviewed and updated to provide clear insights into ownership structures and contractual agreements. These improvements represent a significant commitment to promoting the integrity and openness of data.

Beneficial Ownership Transparency

Supported by the Opening Extractives (OE) Programme, PH-EITI, in collaboration with the Senate Economic Planning Office (SEPO), the Department of Finance, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), and the Congressional Policy and Budget Research Department (CPBRD), organized a Webinar on Beneficial Ownership (BO) Transparency via Zoom on April 25, 2023. This event followed up on the EITI/OE mission in 2022 and aimed to pave the way for addressing legal barriers to the public disclosure of BO data.

In May 2023, Ms. Pamela Grafilo was onboarded as the consultant to support the implementation of the Opening Extractives programme in the Philippines. Her responsibilities included coordinating efforts to strengthen the legislative and policy framework for BO in the extractives sector in alignment with EITI Requirement 2.5, conceptualizing activities to promote awareness of BO transparency, and enhancing BO data collection and usage among extractive sector regulators, industry, and civil society. However, Ms. Grafilo submitted a proposed implementation plan to the PH-EITI Secretariat in July 2023 but had to discontinue her consultancy work due to health issues later that year.

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In the photo: Atty. Emily Manuel from Open Ownership delivers a presentation on beneficial ownership transparency during the 2023 Extractives Transparency Week (ETW).

The FY 2021 PH-EITI Country Report included a sub-chapter on Beneficial Ownership, analyzing the BO data disclosed by companies that permitted full transparency. This section of the report offered recommendations to enhance BO transparency within the PH-EITI framework, underscoring the critical importance of transparency and accountability in the extractive sector. As of November 2023, 42 out of the 67 companies involved in the FY 2021 PH-EITI reporting had disclosed their beneficial ownership information, either partially or fully. Additionally, two extractive companies that did not participate in the FY 2021 PH-EITI reporting also disclosed their BO information, bringing the total to 44 companies engaged in BO reporting.

The PH-EITI Beneficial Ownership Registry was updated accordingly with the company submissions for FY 2021.



In the photo: Atty. Brenda Jay Angeles-Mendoza from EITI International discussed beneficial ownership transparency during the Mined and Refined session of the 2023 Extractives Transparency Week (ETW).

Chapter II: Mainstreaming Disclosures

Enhancing Stakeholder Capacity



In the photo: Stakeholders participated in a breakout session during the 2023 Extractives Transparency Week (ETW).

Multi-Stakeholder Group Meetings

In 2023, the PH-EITI MSG remained dedicated to upholding EITI standards in the Philippines. Alongside regular MSG meetings, four committees were formed: Governance and Oversight Committee (GOC), Stakeholder Engagement Committee (SEC), Implementation Committee (IC), and Finance Committee (FC), following the issuance of MSG resolution on the creation of committees.

First Quarter

In Q1, the PH-EITI MSG convened for one special MSG meeting on January 13, during the 84th MSG Meeting on February 10, and the 2023 MSG Conference from March 21 to 23, 2023. Additionally, three committee meetings took place: the GOC Meeting on January 31, the SEC Meeting on February 2, and the IC Meeting on March 14. These meetings primarily focused on the crafting of the medium-term (FY 2023 - 2026) strategic plan and FY 2023 work plan, discussing ongoing initiatives, and providing updates on the progress of country reports.

Second Quarter

In Q2, several crucial events and meetings took place. The second Governance and Oversight Committee (GOC) meeting convened on April 27th, followed closely by the third on May 31st. Notably, the first Finance Committee (FC) meeting convened on June 7th, coinciding with the onboarding of new Multistakeholder Group representatives from the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG).

June 8th marked a significant milestone with an onboarding session conducted for the newly appointed government representatives to the MSG, welcoming DILG Undersecretary Marlo Iringan and Assistant Secretary Juabilly Racho. These sessions were pivotal in ensuring a seamless integration and alignment of objectives within the MSG.

Subsequently, the EITI Global Conference took center stage in Dakar, Senegal, on June 13th and 14th, underscoring another crucial juncture in the international dialogue on transparency and accountability in the extractive industries. The participation of Philippine delegates in this global forum further reinforced the country's commitment to advancing EITI principles on the global stage.



In the photo: The PH-EITI Multistakeholder Group (MSG) convened to deliberate the 2023 work plan of PH-EITI.

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Third Quarter

During the third quarter, spanning from July to September, several key meetings took place. The fourth Governance and Oversight Committee (GOC) meeting was convened on July 4th, providing a platform for comprehensive discussions on governance and oversight matters.

Following closely, on July 14th, the second implementation meeting was convened, facilitating dialogues and collaboration among stakeholders to drive the effective implementation of EITI initiatives.

Wrapping up the quarter, the second Stakeholder Engagement Committee meeting convened on September 5th, underscoring the commitment to fostering inclusive dialogue and participation among diverse stakeholders.



In the photo: PH-EITI MSG committees convened remotely to discuss the pressing issues in the priority projects of the PH-EITI.

Fourth Quarter

In Q4, several significant meetings took place. On October 4th, a meeting was convened with the National Coordinator of Bantay Kita was held. Subsequently, on October 11th, the 3rd Implementation Committee meeting took place, facilitating discussions on the progress of EITI initiatives.

Furthermore, on October 13th, a Special MSG Meeting was convened, dedicated to the presentation of the Country Report, marking a significant milestone in transparency efforts. Later in the month, on October 16th, the 3rd Stakeholder Engagement Committee Meeting occurred, emphasizing the importance of inclusive dialogue and participation among stakeholders.

In November, on the 28th, the 87th MSG Meeting and Pre-Validation workshop were held, underscoring ongoing efforts to ensure compliance with EITI standards and requirements. These meetings played a crucial role in advancing transparency, accountability, and stakeholder engagement within the Philippine EITI framework.



In the photo: The PH-EITI MSG convened face-to-face during its 87th regular meeting in Seda Manila Bay.

National Engagements

Participation at the Mining Philippines 2023

The Mining Philippines 2023 International Conference and Exhibition, organized by the Chamber of Mines of the Philippines (COMP), took place under the theme "SEEING GREEN: Shaping a Sustainable Minerals Development Industry" from September 19-20, 2023, at the EDSA Shangri-La Hotel Manila. This marked the eagerly awaited return to in-person gatherings following the COVID-19 pandemic. The event convened key stakeholders from the minerals industry to present the latest advancements and practices in mining, quarrying, and mineral processing.



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DOF Assistant Secretary and PH-EITI Alternate Focal Person and Chair Karlo Fermin Adriano, PhD presented the key features of the proposed Mining Fiscal Regime, Alongside him was Nicole Hilario, PH-EITI Economist, who introduced the PH-EITI and its initiatives.



The PH-EITI participated in the exhibits during the 2023 Mining Philippines and engaged in networking opportunities among industry leaders, executives, and suppliers.

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Extractives Transparency Week 2023

A Decade of Transparency: PH-EITI 10th Anniversary

The 2023 Extractives Transparency Week (ETW), held on November 29-30 at Seda Manila Bay, Paranaque City, featured several key events:

1. Constituencies Meeting

Extractive stakeholders convened for discussions titled "Mined and Refined," addressing pressing sector issues. Representatives from civil society organizations, companies, and government entities participated in breakout sessions, allowing stakeholders to express concerns and formulate recommendations on EITI Standards implementation.



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2. PH-EITI 10th Year Gala Night

The PH-EITI commemorated its decade-long commitment to extractive industry transparency. The PH-EITI recognized companies, national government agencies, and local government units that have consistently participated in PH-EITI reporting over the years.



In the photo: During the 10th Anniversary Gala Night, the PH-EITI honored the companies, national government agencies, and local government entities that have continuously engaged in PH-EITI reporting throughout the years.

3. FORGE PH

During the FORGE PH: The 2023 PH-EITI National Conference, the PH-EITI presented its latest country report, the FY 2021 report. Participants openly discussed extractives and natural resource governance concerns. Panel discussions covered various topics, including the 2023 EITI Standards presentation.

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In the photo: The National Secretariat presented the Subnationalizing Extractives Transparency-Ushering Participatory Governance (SET-UP-GO) during the 6th PH-OGP National Action Plan.

The Department of Finance (DOF) is committing to implementing transparency, accountability, and participatory governance measures in the extractives sector through the PH-EITI. This commitment aims to ensure responsible management of natural resources and promote good governance. By extending these efforts to subnational or regional levels where extractive activities occur, the PH-EITI intends to have a broader impact, taking advantage of the opportunity the Open Government Partnership platform provides.

Drawing from experiences in other countries, the PH-EITI's subnational program will be tailored to fit the Philippine context, focusing on new frontier themes such as beneficial ownership, coalition building at the local level, and empowerment of indigenous communities. This initiative seeks to involve stakeholders in decision-making processes, properly manage revenues, and benefit communities affected by extractive activities. Key elements of the PH-EITI's subnationalization process include strengthening local bodies, digitizing government transactions, and fostering civic engagement, as recommended by the Independent Reporting Mechanism. By promoting transparency and empowering local authorities, the PH-EITI aims to enhance accountability and promote sustainable development in regions where extractive industries operate, while excluding milestones related to the EITI reporting process, which will happen in any case with support of the EITI multistakeholder group.

International Engagements

2023 EITI Global Conference

Dakar, Senegal - 12-14 June

The 2023 EITI Global Conference, held at the Centre International de Conférences Abdou Diouf (CICAD) from June 12-15, marks the 20th anniversary of the EITI. Almost 1,400 participants from governments, companies, and civil society organizations attended the four-day event.

The Conference launched the 2023 EITI Standard, which set forth several new and refined provisions on revenue collection, anti-corruption, and gender, social, and environmental impacts of the extractives sector. The latest standard also included energy transition as one of its requirements, recognizing the global shift to a low-carbon economy and the importance of critical mineral production.



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In the photo: DOF Undersecretary Cielo Magno discussed the most recent EITI Standard requirements pertaining to energy transition, social and environmental preservation, and tax transparency.



Former DOF Undersecretary Magno was the delegation head of the participants from the Philippines, which is composed of representatives from the PH-EITI Secretariat, directors from the Department of Energy (DOE), and members of the civil society.

 Undersecretary Magno was re-elected for another three years on the EITI Board, representing the government constituency in Asia and the Pacific. She also participated as a speaker in three discussion panels on implementing the environmental and social requirements of the new EITI standard, exploring and mitigating governance risks in the renewable energy sector, and how tax transparency disclosures complement EITI reporting and priorities. She also closed the leadership forum by reflecting on the commitment statements of government, company, and civil society leaders. The PH-EITI Secretariat presented the PH-EITI's sub-nationalization strategy and participated in the side meetings. Former DOF Undersecretary Cielo Magno closes the Leadership Forum, where government, company, and civil society leaders have committed to strengthening transparency in EITI implementation.

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TRANSPARENCE EN TRANSITION

Bilateral meeting with EITI Executive Director Mark Robinson. Discussion points included the state of civic space in the extractives sector, efforts to improve EITI mainstreaming through an upgraded digital platform, and opportunities to pilot actions on energy transition, artisanal and small-scale mining, and gender. Leading up to the Philippines' EITI Validation in January 2024.

EITI Executive Director Mark Robinson (first photo, second from right) listens to updates on the status of civic participation in the extractive industries from PH-EITI MSG and National Secretariat members.



Presentation of the PH-EITI Sub-nationalizing Extractives Transparency: Ushering Participatory Governance (SET-UP-GO)

During the Global Conference, the PH-EITI Secretariat presented its strategy on sub-nationalizing the implementation of EITI processes, leveraging ongoing devolution efforts post-Mandanas, and strengthening mechanisms that will allow for more responsive extractives governance. The PH-EITI aims to improve its online mainstreaming systems to integrate data from industry, national government agencies, and local government agencies. It also aims to improve data utilization through conducting focus group discussions (FGDs) and training with key stakeholders to increase the use of EITI data for participatory planning and budgeting, social and environmental monitoring, and policymaking. PH-EITI will also establish feedback and grievance mechanisms to address mining-related issues and inform multi-stakeholder actions moving forward.

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As presented by Atty. Rodriguez during the conference's Innovation Talks that the effort to sub-nationalize EITI implementation aims to support the Philippine Government's thrust to develop downstream industries of the mining sector, implement an appropriate mining tax regime, deepen participatory governance, and enhance ecosystem resilience.

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Philippine, Mongolian EITIs conduct peer learning, visit top rebar manufacturer SteelAsia



In the photo: Officials from Mongolia pay cordial visits to the PH-EITI headquarters and the Department of Finance.

The PH-EITI Secretariat partnered with its Mongolian counterpart for a learning session at the Department of Finance on December 5, 2023, aiming to exchange insights and uphold the EITI Standard. Both sides shared experiences and strategies in implementing the EITI, with PH-EITI finding Mongolia's approach enlightening, especially in subnational implementation. Discussions included mining policies, fiscal regimes, Special Economic Zones (SEZs), the Philippine Strategic Investment Priority Plan (SIPP), and environmental regulations. PH-EITI Focal Person and Chair DOF Undersecretary Bayani Agabin encouraged sharing implementation challenges for effective relay to the EITI Board. The Mongolian delegation, interested in establishing processing plants, visited SteelAsia's facility on December 7, facilitated by PH-EITI consultants. They were greeted by SteelAsia's executives, who highlighted the company's role in steel production and sustainability. The visit underscores growing collaboration between Mongolia and the Philippines in fostering local industry development.

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19TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING IGF 2023

Intergovernmental Forum on Mining, Minerals, Metals for Sustainable Development (IGF)

-Geneva, Switzerland

The IGF is a global platform where governments, mining companies, industry groups, civil society, and various organizations come together to discuss mining issues. It originated from the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg, which urged collaboration among governments, civil society, and the private sector for sustainable development. The summit emphasized addressing the environmental, economic, health, and social impacts of mining, promoting transparency, and ensuring worker safety throughout the mining life cycle.

Representative from the PH-EITI joined the 19th Annual General Meeting of the Intergovernmental Forum on Mining, Minerals, Metals, and Sustainable Development (IGF) recently focused on seizing this opportunity while ensuring fairness and sustainability. Discussions covered bridging the gap in mineral supply, the role of small-scale mining in the energy transition, ensuring local communities benefit from mining projects, tax reform, and creating an

inclusive transition process.

Held in Geneva, Switzerland, the meeting gathered stakeholders to discuss these crucial topics, along with updates on UN initiatives related to mineral resource governance.



Image description: Attendees from all over the world took the photo opportunity during the IGF Annual General meeting

Stakeholder Consultations 2023

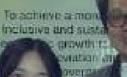
In the photo: The National Secretariat during the consultation with the Officials of Barangay Cagdianao, Municipality of Claver, Surigao Del Norte.

The PH-EITI conducts stakeholder engagements annually at both local and national levels, fostering dialogue among extractive industry participants. It organizes regional forums to extend EITI initiatives to local governments and communities where extraction occurs.

This year, PH-EITI arranged tailored stakeholder consultations across regions, targeting actively involved communities in extraction. Using a caucus-based approach, rather than large gatherings, ensures focused discussions for each group. These consultations provide a platform for stakeholders to voice specific concerns, emphasizing PH-EITI's role in facilitating informed public discourse. The aim is to ensure fair distribution of benefits from extractive industries, ultimately benefiting society as a whole.

Following the Philippines' "moderate" overall score in implementing the EITI Standard in February 2022, the EITI Board agreed to assess civil society engagement starting January 1, 2024. These initiatives align with corrective actions identified during previous EITI Validation.

In line with this, PH-EITI has identified key mining areas nationwide to assess industry compliance with government regulations and the EITI Standard. Initial focus is on Taganito Mining Corporation in Surigao del Norte province, particularly in barangays Hayanggabon, Urbiztondo, Taganito, and Cagdianao. The company operates within the Surigao Mineral Reservation, exporting saprolite and limonite ore, and providing services to the neighboring Taganito high-pressure acid leaching (HPAL) plant of Tetrahydrophthalic Anhydride (THPA).



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Mr. Oscar Pospia, Chief of Staff (COS) of the Provincial Government of Surigao del Norte, with the PH-EITI Secretariat collaborated closely with the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENRO) of Surigao Del Norte, fostering a partnership dedicated to enhancing transparency and accountability in the management of natural resources.

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Photo Gallery

Municipality of Claver, Province of Surigao Del Norte

The PH-EITI Secretariat first visited the rehabilitation areas on the different ridges, which are all geared towards ecotourism, namely Mines View Deck and Umahan sa Minahan at Urbiztondo Ridge.

> The PH-EITI Secretariat also visited the scenic view of Lantaw Bay. This was developed by Taganito N Corporation (TMC) into a beautiful and scenic garden, an addition to its eco-tourism and rehabilitat.

The Rice Mill Complex CSR project of TMC, led by Chairman Joel Oinal from Claver Red Mountain Agriculture Cooperative (CREMACO), serves as a vital initiative contributing to sustainable agricultural practices and community development. Page **34** of 64

Data Utilization and Communication

The PH-EITI Secretariat drafted a press release regarding the 2023 EITI Global Conference held on June 12-15, 2023, in Dakar, Senegal. The article primarily focused on the launch of the 2023 EITI Standard and the re-election of former DOF Undersecretary Cielo Magno to the EITI Board. The article has been published on the DOF website.

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The PH-EITI Secretariat diligently oversees its official social media accounts, consistently sharing updates on various significant events. Some of the updates include the celebration of April as the Month of the Planet Earth, the webinar on Beneficial Ownership Transparency, the engagement in the Philippine Open Gov Week 2023, and the country's participation in the 2023 EITI Global Conference.





In the photo: During the mining trip in Hinatuan, Municipality of Claver, Surigao del Norte, to look into the social development and management initiatives of the Taganito Mining Corporation, particularly the state of gender-based employment.

Gender Inclusion

The efforts aiming for equal opportunities, representation, and participation of women and gender-diverse individuals in the extractive industry were observed and analyzed in the report from the Online Reporting in the Extractive. The data will allow the industry and government to recommend gender data-based programs and policies. These data will be utilized as part of the Country Report, the collection of sex-disaggregated data to understand the gender dynamics within the sector, and to track progress on gender inclusion goals will be on regular monitoring to help identify areas for improvement.



In the photo: As part of the 2023 Extractive Transparency Week events, Atty. Joan D. Adaci-Cattiling, President and General Manager of Corporate and Legal Affairs at the Didipio Mine and a member of the PH-EITI MSG, conducted a discussion on the critical engagement of women in the mining sector.

Forums such as 2023 Extractive Transparency Week (ETW) were held to embellish and capacitate the performance of the National Secretariat in the gender-based sector under the extractives. This is to provide training and skill development opportunities for women to enhance their technical and leadership abilities. This could involve mentorship programs and workshops to promote career advancement in the prioritized communities.



The second quarter of this year also marks the celebration of the 2023 National Women's Month, the PH-EITI expressed support by sharing and recognizing the importance of gender equality and the benefits of diverse perspectives thru social media to promote gender inclusion in the extractive sector. PH-EITI's visit to Taganito Mining Corporation (TMC) paves the way to introduce gender mainstreaming in the industry of mining. The company was briefed on the EITI perspective, particularly its gender disaggregation standard aimed at advancing actions, policies, and decisions benefiting women and marginalized sectors. The PH-EITI Secretariat observed TMC's integration of gender classification mechanisms into its programs, evident in its organizational structure, providing opportunities for women to play leadership roles in society.



In the photo: A resident of Hayanggabon, Municipality of Claver, Surigao del Norte, who works for the Taganito Mining Corporation program, which supports community agricultural initiatives.



In the photo: Attending a session at Subic, Zambales on gender-responsive planning and budgeting was Assistant Secretary Niño Raymond Alvina, Vice Chairperson of the DOF - Gender and Development - Focal Point System (GFPS), Director Alvin Diaz, Ms. Miriam Buergo, Chief Maria Carmela Romerosa, and the GFPS Technical Working Group.

From October 4th to 6th, members of the DOF's Gender and Development Focal Point System, along with a representative from the PH-EITI Secretariat, attended a workshop in Subic, Zambales, focusing on gender-responsive planning and budgeting. Hosted by the DOF's GAD arm, the workshop aimed to shape a workplan emphasizing gender inclusivity, particularly highlighting the PH-EITI's proposal for the fiscal year 2024. Discussions underscored the importance of integrating gender-sensitive approaches into projects within the DOF-GAD workplan, aiming to foster inclusivity and address gender disparities. On August 24, 2023, the 2nd GFPS Sectoral Assembly, led by the PH-EITI's National Coordinator, discussed gender issues, proposing initiatives for promoting inclusivity in the mining industry.



Social Development and Management Program

Representatives from the PH-EITI Secretariat participated in the session titled "Implementing the environmental and social requirements of the new EITI Standard" during the 2023 EITI Global Conference. This session fostered dialogue between civil society, government and industry stakeholders to discuss strategies for implementing the social and environmental provisions of the 2023 EITI Standard at the national level.



In the photo: Member of National Secretariat present at the 2023 EITI Global Conference to talk about the PH-EITI's Data in Motion which includes the status of the extractives sector in the Philippines.

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During the MSG Conference on March 23, 2023, the DENR presented its plans for the SDMP, offering a valuable reference and guide for the MSG in formulating specific action steps. The primary goal was to optimize the impacts and benefits to mining hosts and neighboring communities arising from initiatives within the SDMP.



In the photo: A representative from the MGB Central Office, presented the DENR's plans on the SDMP on sustaining improvement in the living standards of the mining host community and surrounding communities.



In the photo: Mr. Gilbert Aquino, Chief of the Social Development and Management Section at the MGB Central Office, explained the implication of the SDMPs in the extractive community.

On November 29, 2023, during the Constituency Meeting of the ETW, various sectoral constituencies involved in extractive industries gathered in breakout sessions to voice concerns and develop recommendations for EITI standards implementation. PH-EITI invited Gilbert Aquino, Chief of the Social **Development and Management Section** at the MGB Central Office, to present the crucial role of SDMPs. The presentation focused on ensuring direct benefits for local communities from extractive projects in their proximity, addressing challenges, highlighting successes, and outlining future directions.

Energy Transition

Representatives from the PH-EITI Secretariat participated in the talks concerning the energy transition during the EITI Global Conference in Dakar, Senegal on June 13 - 14, 2023. Their active participation and involvement in the discussions revolving around the crucial topic of energy transition showcased the Philippines' commitment to addressing global energy challenges and fostering sustainable practices.

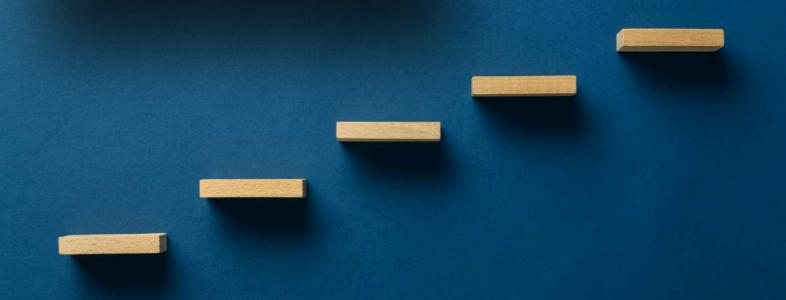
In the 2024 budget, the PH-EITI incorporates the proposal for Climate Change Expenditure Tagging (CCET) entitled "Preparing Extractive Industries Towards Just Transition".

The PH-EITI proposed programs, activities, and projects aim to prepare the affected communities, extractive companies, as well as local and national governments of the provinces hosting operations of large-scale mining, coal, geothermal, and hydropower plants for the possible effects of the energy transition in terms of their livelihood, revenue shares, economic development, and other aspects.



These proposed actions will focus on conducting campaigns and capacity development to prepare all stakeholders towards just transition. It also focuses on coming up with local policies and guidelines to sustain a low-carbon economy and establishing mechanisms that can be used through the implementation. These mechanisms include structure and system, monitoring and evaluation, and financing strategy, which are all important in preparing the stakeholders for the transition.

IV. Monitoring Progress



Implementing the Validation Corrective Actions

EITI implementing countries, including the Philippines, undergo a Validation process every three years to assess their progress in meeting the EITI Standard. This evaluation provides an opportunity for stakeholders to express their opinions on the effectiveness and sustainability of EITI implementation. In 2022, the Philippines underwent Validation against the 2019 Standard, achieving a "moderate" overall score with a partly met status for requirement 1.3 (civil society engagement). In May 2023, the EITI Board decided to postpone the scheduled 2024 Validation for the Philippines. Instead, a targeted assessment of EITI Requirement 1.3 on civil society engagement will take place in the country, starting on January 1, 2024.

The PH-EITI MSG has worked diligently to make meaningful progress in addressing the corrective actions issued by the EITI Board to improve the implementation of EITI. As demonstrated by the MSG, there remains strong support and commitment to implementing EITI. Publicly accessible copies of the MSG meeting minutes will show that stakeholders continue to utilize the multi-stakeholder platform as a space for discussing transparency and resource governance issues, including concerns about civic engagement.

The MSG has held regular meetings and stakeholder consultations to create a plan to address the corrective actions. The MSG-approved plan includes a total of 23 action steps, out of which 7 have been completed, 15 are ongoing, and 1 has yet to be started as of October 2023.

Timeline of activities related to the Validation corrective actions

Date (2023)	Activity
Feb 9	The Stakeholder Engagement Committee convened its first meeting. Among the matters discussed were the corrective actions for Requirement 1.3 and the formulation of possible contents and a framework for the report on the state of civic engagement.
Feb 10	The MSG reviewed the draft amendments during its 84th meeting and tasked the Governance Committee to update the draft based on the comments from the DOF - Legislative Affairs Office (LAO).
Feb 21	The PH-EITI officially requested the Department of Energy (DOE) to issue an order naming the official representatives of the DOE to the MSG. The DOE is urged to engage with the PH-EITI on a senior level and ensure consistent and comprehensive data and information disclosures regarding the oil, gas, and coal sectors.
Feb 22	The DOE issued an official order designating deputy- and technical-level representatives to the MSG.
Mar 2	The PH-EITI attended a 2024 Budget Consultation Workshop with CSOs which was organized by the DENR. In the said workshop and in consultation with CSO members present in the event, the PH-EITI provided recommendations regarding the prioritization of programs and projects that would help improve civic engagement and disclosure of extactives data and information.
Mar 10	The PH-EITI conducted a briefing with the newly appointed MSG Members from the DENR
Mar 15	The PH-EITI conducted a briefing with DOE officials and its technical team and discussed the following: DOE representation in the MSG;Participation of oil, gas, and coal companies, and gaps in EITI implementation and data disclosure;Implementation plan for the systematic disclosure of energy sector data; andPolicies for awards and transfers of licenses and contracts.
Mar 21-24	The PH-EITI held an MSG Conference where the PH-EITI implementation framework and the 2023 work plan were crafted and developed. A civil society constituency meeting was held on the first day of the conference.
April 3	The DOF issued a Department Order designating OIC-Executive Director Pamela Quizon of the Bureau of Local Government Finance (BLGF) as the new alternate representative of the department in the MSG. The sustained engagement of a representative from the BLGF in the MSG will be beneficial to improve transparency and the proper accounting of subnational governments' share from the extraction of natural resources from their localities. This will also help improve local accountability by providing local stakeholders with accurate information on the contribution of extractive industries to their local budget.
April 12	The PH-EITI conducted an onboarding session with OIC-Executive Director Quizon as a new member of the MSG. The session also included a discussion on addressing CA 4.6. The BLGF shared that the bureau publicly discloses information on all direct subnational payments collected by subnational government entities through their website.
April 27	Further refinements on the proposed EO 147 amendments were deliberated during the GOC meeting on April 27, 2023. The GOC flagged concerns on provisions on BO transparency and mainstreaming for discussion of the MSG. categorization of the membership of ULAP within the MSG; provision on beneficial ownership (BO) transparency; and data mainstreaming of industries
May 12	In the 85th MSG meeting, the GOC meeting raised the concerns on the EO. For the categorization of ULAP's membership, the MSG asked ULAP to submit a position paper and a resolution from local government units (LGUs) nominating ULAP as their representative to the MSG. For the data mainstreaming of industries, the MSG agreed to use the word "require" instead of "encourage". For the provision on BO transparency, the MSG agreed to refer it to the Implementation Committee (IC).
July 14	The Implementation Committee convened its second meeting. Among the matters discussed were FY 2021 report theme and outline, MSG Resolution on Beneficial Ownership, and Committee assignments under FY 2023 work plan. The IC approved the following:Close the FY2021 reporting cycle to proceed with the reconciliation process.Theme of the FY2021 report: Recovery: Regaining Ground and the Need to Expand Civic SpacesInitial outline of the FY2021 report subject to style.Coordinate with the EITI International Secretariat (IS) to review their mechanism for verifying BO information.The Secretariat is tasked to facilitate a workshop with the MSG to discuss subnationalization.

Date (2023)	Activity		
August 8	The PH-EITI Secretariat met with the BK secretariat and CSO-MSG members to provide updates on the progress of validation corrective Action 1.3 and to request for additional suggestions for addressing CA 1.3		
August 11	During the 86th MSG meeting, ULAP presented its position paper and resolution on its representation to the MSG. The MSG agreed to include ULAP in the government constituency as the representative of LGUs. For the BO provision, EITI IS and Open Ownership (OO) were invited to present existing mechanisms on BO transparency. However, it was discussed that all EITI-implementing countries are struggling with the verification of BO data. The MSG agreed to refer the discussion back to the IC.		
Sept. 5	The Stakeholder Engagement Committee convened its second meeting. Among the matters discussed were the stakeholder engagements (stakeholder consultations, Extractive Transparency Week 2023, National Conference 2023) for the last quarter of 2023.		
Oct. 13	The Stakeholder Engagement Committee convened its second meeting. Among the matters discussed were upcoming PH-EITI events, progress updates on the Validation corrective actions, and Bantay Kita's proposal for the selection process of civil society representatives in the Multi-partite Monitoring Team (MMT) and Mine Rehabilitation Fund Committee (MRFC).		
Oct. 31	[PH-EITI] CSO Constituency Consultation		
Nov. 5-8	Stakeholder consultations in Surigao Del Norte		
Nov. 30	2023 Extractive Transparency Week		



In the photo: Members of the MSG receiving their plaque of appreciation during the Extractives Transparency Week.



Public debate

The Philippine EITI, in coordination with the Senate Economic Planning Office (SEPO), Congressional Policy and Budget Research Department (CPBRD), and Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), organized a webinar on Beneficial Ownership Transparency. With support from the EITI International and Opening Extractives programme, the webinar aimed to raise awareness and enhance the capacity of policy actors in the Philippine Senate and House of Representatives regarding options for legislative reforms on Beneficial Ownership Transparency (BOT). The discussions were based on global movements on BOT and opportunities arising from the domestic legal landscape.



Collaborative efforts from these organizations

FEEDBACK MECHANISM

The PH-EITI provides a feedback form on its website to enable stakeholders to raise concerns about extractive activities and the EITI's implementation in the country. However, this platform has seen limited usage, possibly due to insufficient communication regarding its existence, purpose, and reporting capabilities.

To address this, the PH-EITI Secretariat initiated an improvement process for the feedback mechanism, drawing insights from the grievance mechanism of EITI International and recommendations from the Harvard Negotiation and Mediation Clinical Program (HNMCP). The development is ongoing, with regular consultations involving MSG members. The draft mechanism has already proven valuable in addressing received grievances, including cases concerning mining operations in Sibuyan Island and the mining issue involving Ipilan Nickel Corporation.



Meeting Summaries

This section offers a thorough summary of monitoring activities, including past meetings, workshops, sub-committee meetings, and conferences held in 2023, providing valuable insights into the progress made within the year.

Activity/Meetings/Events	Link		
84th MSG Meeting	https://pheiti.dof.gov.ph/download/minutes-of-the-84th-msg-meeting/? wpdmdl=3959		
85th MSG Meeting	https://pheiti.dof.gov.ph/download/minutes-of-the-85th-msg-meeting/? wpdmdl=3960		
86th MSG Meeting	https://docs.google.com/document/d/1WECHGhDXzWvMl2g4wYH6rc0_ZR WhhbmxxbOhD6D3N_Y/edit		
87th MSG Meeting	https://docs.google.com/document/d/1gzsgJKDJfsclBkW2XwhevIqpRe4yH bdK/edit? usp=drive_link&ouid=107783726254245963548&rtpof=true&sd=true		
Special MSG Meetings	https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lifefiM7o8Lb56ETjYWaXWa- nm6cQ3Rz2Zule0GHAcQ/edit?usp=drive_link		
2023 MSG Assessment and	https://docs.google.com/document/d/lbJq7wM4R-		
Planning	W6zfFyegHFzrX5zP4qkE_RE/edit		
1st Stakeholder Engagement	https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bVjqdIPHXrkH_4HigBwUG6M61b9c		
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2023 Stakeholder Consultations	https://drive.google.com/file/d/17hizjtmO1WrH0NEAQYdoS9U- c7Z9Dd03/view		
Pre-Validation Workshop (ETW 2023)	https://pheiti.dof.gov.ph/download/2023-extractives-transparency- week%e2%80%8b/?wpdmdl=5479&refresh=660a48385575a1711949880		
Constituencies Meeting (ETW 2023)	https://pheiti.dof.gov.ph/download/2023-extractives-transparency- week%e2%80%8b/?wpdmdl=5479&refresh=660a48385575a1711949880		
National Conference 2023 (ETW 2023)	https://pheiti.dof.gov.ph/download/2023-extractives-transparency- week%e2%80%8b/?wpdmdl=5479&refresh=660a48385575a1711949880		

Resource Mobilization

During the 2023 Extractives Transparency Week, various stakeholders and development partners contributed to cost-sharing for the event.

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Organization / Agency	Amount (Php)
Department of Energy (DOE)	3,286,000.00
Nickel Asia Corporation (NAC)	619,360.00
OceanaGold Philippines Inc. (OGPI)	400,000.00
Chamber of Mines of the Philippines (COMP)	100,000.00
Philippine Petroleum Association of the Upstream Industry (Oil & Gas), Inc.(PAP)	100,000.00
UPPAF-USAID (RESPOND Project)	170,000.00
Total	4,675,360.00

Administration and Operations

Secretariat Management

Under the Job Order contract, the PH-EITI has mobilized 21 core personnel for FY 2023:

No.	Name	Position		
1	Anillo, Anna Leigh V.	Managing Specialist for Stakeholder Engagement		
2	Aquino, Pamela Kim A.	Economist		
3	Aranco, Rhoda H.	Export and Production Data Specialist		
4	Atienza, Dennis Rodel S.	Stakeholder Engagement Assistant		
5	Bagacay, Rhea Mae B.	Stakeholder Engagement and Planning Officer		
6	Bartolome, Therese Andrea L.	Reconciliation Specialist		
7	De Guzman, Amiel C.	Data Reconciliation Specialist		
8	Dela Cruz, Frabert Ace E.	Economic Development Specialist		
9	Evora, Ricardo C.	Administrative and Logistics Assistant		
10	Hilario, Mary Nicole M.	Economist		
11	Llanos, Chadwick G.	Civil Society Engagement Specialist		
12	Lopez, Joshua Miguel D.	Technical Policy and Compliance Specialist		
13	Manlises, Eastword D.	National Coordinator		
14	Rodolfo, Mary Ann D.	Deputy Coodinator for Technical Requirements and Operations		
15	Samson, Andrea Denise B.	Social and Environmental Data Specialist		
16	6 San Diego, Albert A. Governance and Integrity Specialist			

Four personnel from the Department of Finance (DOF), holding plantilla positions and originally detailed at the Policy, Research, and Liaison Office (PRLO), were assigned to PH-EITI to provide additional manpower.

No.	Name	Position
1	Rodriguez II, Manuel A.	Development Management Officer V
2	Magno, Jeremiah D.	Development Management Officer III
3	Besmonte, Job G.	Development Management Officer II
4	Tiemsim, John Angelo U.	Development Management Officer II



Costs of Implementation

Summary of FY 2023 - General Appropriations Act & Continuing 2022

No.	Expenditure Items	Allotment (Php)	Obligation (Php)	Balance (Php)
1	Traveling Expenses - Local	19,478.70	137,165.18	117,686.48
2	Traveling Expenses - Foreign	995,917.98	995,917.98	-
3	training Expenses	157,650.00	157,650.00	-
4	Office Supplies Expenses	109,133.55	15,709.36	93,424.19
5	Other Supplies and Materials Expenses	250,000.00	250,000.00	-
6	Consultancy Services	1,983,645.42	1,109,340.00	874,305.42
7	Other Professional Services	7,093,301.20	7,070,258.29	23,042.91
8	Representation Expenses	23,000.00	23,000.00	-
9	Membership Dues and Contributions to Organizations	561,290.00	561,290.00	
10	Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses	836,859.72	552,000.00	284,859.72
	TOTAL	12,030,276.57	10,872,330.81	1,157,945.76

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Participating Entities of the FY 2021 Report

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	No.		Government Entities		
	1	Bureau of Local Govern	nment Finance (BLGF)		
	2	Bureau of Customs (BC	DC)		
	3	Bureau of Internal Reve	enue (BIR)		
	4	Department of Budget	and Management (DBM)		
	5	Department of Energy	(DOE)		
	6	Mines and Geosciences	s Bureau (MGB)		
	7	National Commission c	on Indigenous People (NCIP	?)	
	8	Philippine Mining Deve	elopment Corporation (PMI	DC)	
	9	Philippine Ports Autho	rity		



Participating Entities from Metallic Mining Sector

		DINAGAT NICKEL-CHROMITE PROJECT	
I	AAM-Phil Natural Resources Exploration and Development	(PARCEL 2B)	
	Corporation	DINAGAT NICKEL-CHROMITE PROJECT (PARCEL 1)	
2	Adnama Mining Resources, Inc.	MPSA No. 259-2007-XIII (SMR) AMENDED II	
3	Agata Mining Ventures, Inc.	MPSA-134-99-XIII	
4	Libjo Mining Corporation	MPSA No. 233-2007-XIII (SMR)	
5	Westernshore Nickel Corporation	MPSA NO.233-2007-XIII-SMR	
6	Apex Mining Company, Inc.	MPSA 225 - 2005 - XI; MPSA 234 - 2007 - XI	
7	Benguet Corporation	PC-ACMP-002- CAR	
8	BenguetCorp Nickel Mines, Inc.	MPSA NO. 226-2005-III	
9	Berong Nickel Corporation	MPSA-235-2007-4B	
10	Cagdianao Mining Corporation	MPSA NO. 078-97-XIII-SMR	
11	Carmen Copper Corporation	MPSA-210-2005-VII	
12	Carrascal Nickel Corporation	MPSA NO. 243-2007-XIII-SMR	
13	Contury Deals Corneration	MPSA No. 010-92-X SMR	
15	Century Peak Corporation	MPSA No. 283-2009-XIII (SMR)	
14	Citinickel Mines and Development Corporation	MPSA No. 229-2007-IVB	
15	CTD Construction and Mining Comparation	MPSA No. 158-2000-XIII (SMR)	
15	CTP Construction and Mining Corporation	MPSA No. 018-093-XI (SMR)	
16	Dinapigue Mining Corporation	MPSA NO. 258-200711	
17	Eramen Minerals	209-2005-111	
18	FCF Mineral Corporation	FTAA 0004-2009-II	
19	Filminera Resources Corporation	MPSA 095-97-V	
20	Greenstone Resources Corp.	MPSA No. 184-2002-XIII	
21	Hinatuan Mining Corporation	MPSA No. 246-2007-XIII-SMR	
22	Itogon Suyoc Resources, Inc.	MPSA No. 152-00-CAR	
23	Johson Gold Mining Corporation	MPSA No. 139-99-V	
24	Krominco, Inc.	MPSA NO. 291-2009-XIII-SMR	
25	Lepanto Consolidated Mining Company	MPSA NO. 001-090-CAR	

Participating Entities from Metallic Mining Sector

No.	Company	Project/Contract
26	LNL Archipelago Minerals, Inc.	MPSA No. 268-2008-111
27	Marcventures Mining & Development Corporation	MPSA NO. 016-93-XIII
28	Austral-Asia Link Mining Corp.	107 200 (VI (omended)
29	Hallmark Mining Corporation	- 197-2004-XI (amended)
30	OceanaGold Philippines, Inc.	FTAA 001
31	Oriental Vision Mining Phils. Corporation	MPSA-242-2007-XIII (SMR)
32	Pacific Nickel Philippines Inc	MPSA No. 072-97-XIII-SMR
33	Philex Mining Corporation	MPSA 276-2009-CAR
34	Philsaga Mining Corporation	262-2008-XIII
35	Platinum Group Metals Corporation	MPSA NO. 007-92-X Amended 1
36	Rio Tuba Nickel Mining Corporation	MPSA 114-98-IV Amended
37	Shangfil Mining and Trading Corporation	MPSA No. 250-2007-III AND EP No. 001-2010-III
38	Sinosteel Philippines H.Y. Mining Corporation	MPSA No. 002-90-X
39	SR Metals, Inc.	MPSA No. 261-2008-XIII (A)
40	Strong Built (Mining) Development Corporation	MPSA 254-2007 VIII
41	Taganito Mining Corporation	MPSA NO. 266-2008-XIII-SMR (Amended)
42	Techiron Resources, Inc.	MPSA 292-2009-VIII-Amended B
43	Tribal Mining Corporation	MPSA No. 090-97-XI
44	TVI Resource Development Philippines, Inc.	MPSA 086-97-IX
45	Wellex Mining Corporation	MPSA-031-94-X
46	Zambales Diversified Metals Corporation	MPSA No. 191-2004-III

Participating Entities from Non-Metallic Mining Sector

No.	Company	Project/Contract
1	Apo Land and Quarry Corporation	MPSA no. 013-93-VII
2	BL Gozon & Co. Inc.	MPSA 296-2009-IVA
3	Concrete Aggregates Corporation	MPSA No. 32-95-IV
4	Dolomite Mining Corporation	MPSA No. 208-2005-VII
5	Eagle Cement Corporation	MPSA No. 181-2002-111
6	Hardrock Aggregates, Inc.	MPSA No. 202-2004-IVA
7	Heirs of Elias E. Olegario	MPSA No. 200-2004-I
8	Island Quarry and Aggregates Corporation	MPSA -124-98-IV
9	JLR Construction and Aggregates, Inc.	MPSA No. 194-2004-VII
10	Montalban Millex Aggregate Corporation	MPSA No. 239-2007-IV
11	Northern Cement Corporation	MPSA No. 106-98-1
12	Rapid City Realty and Development Corporation	MPSA-64-96-IV Amended II
13	Republic Cement & Building Materials, Inc.	MPSA No. 029-95-IV
14	Republic Cement Land & Resources	MPSA No. 056-96-111
15	Rio Tuba Nickel Mining Corporation	MPSA 213-2005-IVB
16	Solid Earth Development Corporation	MPSA 205-2004-VII

Participating Entities from Oil and Gas Sector

No.	Company	Project/Contract
1	NPG Pty Ltd(Formerly Galoc Production Company)	SC No. 14C
2	Shell Philippines Exploration BV	SC No. 38

MSG Membership and Attendance in Meetings and Events

For the period January 1 to December 31, 2023

MSG Meeting Attendance

Name and Position	Organization	Special MSG (01/13/23)	84th (02/10/23)	85th (05/12/23)	86th (08/11/23)
Government Sector					
Bayani H. Agabin Undersecretary (Term started in September 2023)					
Karlo Fermin S. Adriano Assistant Secretary (Term started in September 2023)					
Cielo D. Magno, phD Undersecretary (Term ended in June 2023)	Department of Finance			Ø	
Febe J. Lim (Term ended)	-		S		
Charmaine B. Odicta (Term ended)			S		
Ma. Pamela P. Quizon Acting Deputy Director	Bureau of Local Government Finance (BLGF) - DOF	0		⊘	S
Marlo I. Iringan Undersecretary (Term started in May 2023)	Department of				
Juabilly P. Racho Assistant Secretary (Term started in May 2023)	the Interior and Local Government (DILG)				
Anna Liza F. Bonagua Director		Rep		Rep	Rep
Alessandro O. Sales Undersecretary	Department of Energy (DOE)	O			
Nenito C. Jariel, Jr. Director	Department of	O			
Agustus Cesar A. Navarro Director	Energy (DOE)	0		0	0
Dr. Carlos Primo David Undersecretary (Term started in March 2023)	Department of Environment and Natural				<
Atty. Ignatius Loyola A. Rodriguez Undersecretary (Term started in March 2023)	Resources (DENR)				
Engr. Romualdo D. Aguilos Chief	DENR-Minesand Geosciences Bureau (MGB)	0	v		S
Hon. Dakila Carlo E. Cua President	Union of Local Authorities of the				
Maricor Anne D.G. Cauton Director	Philippines (ULAP)	0	S	Rep	0

Name and Position	Organization	Special MSG (01/13/23)	84th (02/10/23)	85th (05/12/23)	86th (08/11/23)
Industry Sector					_
Atty. Joan D. Adaci-Cattiling President	OceanaGold Philippines, Inc.		0		
Atty. Odette A. Javier Vice President and Assistant Corporate Secretary	Lepanto Consolidated Mining Co.	0	Ø		0
Atty. Jose Ma. Emmanuel A. Caral (Kiril) Secretary	Petroleum Association of the Philippines / Shell Philippines Exploration B.V.				
Mr. Edgar Benedict C. Cutiongco Country Manager	Petroleum Association of the Philippines /Nido Production/Galoc Production				
Atty. Ronald Rex S. Recidoro Executive Director	Chamber of Mines of the Philippines	0	0	0	0
Eulalio B. Austin, Jr. Member, Board of Trustees President and Chief Executive Officer	Chamber of Mines of the Philippines /Philex Mining Corporation				
Atty. Francis Joseph G. Ballesteros, Jr. Public and Regulatory Affairs Manager	Philex Mining Corporation	•	•		0
Industry Sector					
Beverly F. Besmanos National Coordinator Term Started In July 2023)					0
Vincent Lazatin National Coordinator (Term Ended In July 2023)	Bantay Kita -		Ø	0	
Aniceta Baltar Vice Chairperson	Concerned Citizens of Abra for Good Governance	⊘		0	•
Dr. Glenn Pajares Board Of Trustees	Sectoral Transparency Alliance on Natural Resource Governance in Cebu, Inc.				Ø
Prof. Ladylyn Mangada Associate Professor	University of the Philippines - Tacloban	0	Ø	0	0
Mr. Chito Trillanes Focal Person	Social Action Center – Ecology Desk, Diocese of Tandag, Surigao del Sur	0	0	0	0

Name and Position	Organization	Special MSG (01/13/23)	84th (02/10/23)	85th (05/12/23)	86th (08/11/23)
Industry Sector					
Becky S. Barrios General Secretary (Term Started In February)	Panaghiusa Alang Sa Kaugalingnan Ug Kalingkawasan Inc. (PASAKK INC.)				
Silvestra N. Dadizon (Term Started In February)	Indigenous People Organization (Ipo) - Secretary Samahan Ng Katutubong Tagbanua (Sktm) – Adviser Kababaihan- President Municipal Council For The Protection Of Children – Ip Representative				
Rodne R. Galicha Executive Director (Term Started In February)	Living Laudato Si' Philippines		•	0	
Ms. Jeanira G. Okubo Member (Term Started In February)	PILIPINA, Baguio- Benguet Chapter			0	
Ms. Arlene N. Sevilla (Term Started In February)	Tawi-Tawi Regional Agricultural College (TRAC) – GAD & Scholarship Focal Assembly of Masses and Basic Sectors for Unity and Harmony – Initiatives for Normalization and Advancement for Human Security (AMBUH-INAH) - President Tawi- Tawi Alliance of Civil Society Organizations, Inc. (TACOS) – Executive Director				

MSG Sub-committee Meeting Attendance

Members	lst Meeting (March 14, 2023)	2nd Meeting (July 14, 2023)	3rd Meeting (October 11, 2023)
Implementation Committee			
Chair: Glenn Pajares			O
Vice Aniceta Baltar Chair:		0	
Gov. Dakila Carlo Cua			
Maricor Cauton			
Engr. Romualdo D. Aguilos		v	
Dir. Pamela Quizon			
Atty. Ronald Rex Recidoro		S	
Ed Cutiongco			
Atty. Joan D. Adaci-Cattiling			
Jeanira Okubo			
Silvestra Dadizon			
Rodne Galicha			

Members	lst Meeting (February 9, 2023)	2nd Meeting (September 5, 2023)	3rd Meeting (October 16, 2023)
Stakeholder Engagement Committee			
Chair: Anna Liza Bonagua	O	•	
Vice Rodne Galicha Chair:		0	0
Atty. Joan D. Adaci-Cattiling			
Atty. Ronald Rex Recidoro			
Ladylyn Mangada			
Beverly Besmanos			S
Glenn Pajares			
Chito U. Trillanes			
Jeanira Okubo			
Arlene Sevilla			
Dir. Pamela Quizon			
Maricor Cauton			
Engr. Romualdo D. Aguilos			

Members	lst Meeting (January 31, 2023)	2nd Meeting (April 27, 2023)	2nd Meeting Continuation (May 4, 2023)	3rd Meeting (May 31 , 2023)	4th Meeting (July 4, 2023)
Governance and Oversight Comm	ittee				
Chair: Atty. Ronald Rex Recidoro		0	\bigcirc	0	0
Vice Beverly Besmanos Chair:		O	0		0
Usec. Carlos Primo C. David					
Atty. Ignatius Loyola A. Rodriguez					
Dir. Maricor Cauton					O
Usec. Alessandro O. Sales					
Dir. Nenito C. Jariel Jr.					S
Dir. Agustus Cesar A. Navarro			\bigcirc	O	
Atty. Odette Javier					
Atty. Francis Joseph Ballesteros		O	Ø		
Atty. Kiril Caral					
Chito U. Trillanes			\bigcirc		
Ladylyn Mangada					O
Arlene Sevilla					
Rodne Galicha			0		

Members		lst Meeting (June 7, 2023)	
Finance Con	nmittee		
Chair:	Dir. Agustus Cesar Navarro	•	
vice Chair:	Atty. Francis Joseph Ballesteros	•	
Atty. Odette Ja	avier	I	
Ladylyn Mang	ada		

Summary of Activities

PH-EITI five (5) Specific Objectives

- 1.Show direct and indirect contribution of extractives to the economy (through EITI process);
- 2.Improve public understanding of the management of natural resources and availability of data;
- 3.Strengthen national resource management / strengthen government systems;
- 4.Create opportunities for dialogue and constructive engagement in natural resource management in order to build trust and reduce conflict among stakeholders; and
- 5. Pursue and strengthen the extractive sector's contribution to sustainable development.

Activities in the Work Plan	Date Conducted	Objectives Addressed
Country Report Publication		
FY 2021 Country Report	December 3, 2023	1, 2, 5
Stakeholder Engagement Activities: National Eng	agements	
Multi-Stakeholder Group Meetings: 84th MSG Meeting 85th MSG Meeting 86th MSG Meeting 87th MSG Meeting 87th MSG Meeting	February 10, 2023 May 12, 2023 August 11, 2023 November 28, 2023	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Special Multi-Stakeholder Group Meetings:	January 13, 2023 October 13, 2023 December 27, 2023	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Stakeholder Engagement Committee Meetings: Ist SEC Meeting 2nd SEC Meeting 3rd SEC Meeting	February 9, 2023 September 5, 2023 October 16, 2023	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Implementation Committee Meetings: Ist IC Meeting 2nd IC Meeting 3rd IC Meeting	March 14, 2023 July 14, 2023 October 11, 2023	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Governance and Oversight Committee Meetings: Ist GOC Meeting 2nd GOC Meeting 3rd GOC Meeting 4th GOC Meeting	January 31, 2023 April 27, 2023/ May 4, 2023 May 31, 2023 July 4, 2023	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Finance Committee Meeting: Ist Finance Committee meeting	June 7, 2023	1, 5

Activities in the Work Plan	Date Conducted	Objectives Addressed
PH-OGP Forum ay DBM	February 9, 2023	
Multi-Stakeholder Group Conference 2023	March 22-24, 2023	
ADB Event	May 22-26	
Mining Philippines 2023	September 19-20, 2023	1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
Pre-Validation Workshop (ETW 2023)	November 27, 2023	
Constituencies Meeting (ETW 2023)	November 29, 2023	
National Conference (ETW 2023)	November 30, 2023	
Stakeholder Engagement Activties: Internation	al Engagements	
Meeting with EITI IS on OB-TP Project	January 16, 2023	
Catch-up call with EITI International Secretariat	February 10, 2023	
Meeting with EITI International Secretariat	March 22, 2023	
Catch-up call with EITI International Secretariat	April 5, 2023	2, 4, and 5
55th EITI Board Meeting in Norway	March 1, 2023	
National Coordinators Meeting	April 28, 2023	
Catch-up call with EITI International Secretariat	April 28, 2023	
Meeting with CIPE	May 3, 2023	
Catch-up call with EITI International Secretariat	June 5, 2023	
2023 EITI Global Conference in Senegal	June 13-14, 2023	
Meeting with International Secretariat and OE Consultant	July 3, 2023	
GF Asia-Pacific Mine Closure and Post-Mining Iransition Webinar	July 17, 2023	1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
Catch-up call with EITI International Secretariat (Req. 1.3 and Req 2.5)	August 17, 2023	
Catch-up call with EITI International Secretariat	September 14, 2023	
Catch-up call with EITI International Secretariat	October 3, 2023	
Catch-up call with EITI International Secretariat	October 25, 2023	2, 4, and 5
Meeting with IS	November 14, 2023	
Southeast & Central Asia and Asia Pacific mplementing countries consultation	November 21, 2023	
Meeting with Validation Team Lead (Targeted Assessment Req 1.3)	December 20, 2023	
Meeting with EITI and OO [Commitment to OGP]	December 22, 2023	

Activities in the Work Plan	Date Conducted	Objectives Addressed
Stakeholder Engagement Activities: Others		
PH-EITI Onboarding Orientation for new MSG nembers	February 1, 2023	3
ocus Group Discussion on Sibuyan Island Mining Firm	February 8, 2023	
leeting with DOE	February 10, 2023	
PH-EITI] Discussion on Sibuyan Island Mining	February 10, 2023	1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
SO Consultation Workshop for 2024 DENR Budget Preparation	March 2, 2023	
leeting with the Facilitators (MSG Conference 2023)	March 6, 2023	3
DENR Meeting w/ Undersecretary David	March 10, 2023	1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
OE Executive Briefing	March 15, 2023	
leeting with the Facilitators (MSG Conference 2023)	March 17, 2023	3
SO Constituency Meeting	March 22, 2023	
mall-scale Study Meeting	March 29, 2023	1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
H-EITI Secretariat meeting Global Conference	April 17, 2023	
leeting with FPMG Assistant Secretary	May 3, 2023	
30T Feedback Meeting	June 1, 2023	2, 4, and 5
DILG] Onboarding of new MSG Representatives	June 8, 2023	
PH-EITIs New NC Courtesy Call	June 29, 2023	
leeting with USAID	July 7, 2023	
leeting with DOE	July 10, 2023	
TA's Integrated Natural Resource Governance raining	July 10-14	1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
TP Meeting with EITI-DOF	July 18, 2023	
OGP	July 28, 2023	
ISG Governance Meeting with NC and Focal person	August 1, 2023	2, 4, and 5
1eeting with DOF-BLGF: EO 170 and JMC on Iational Wealth	August 4, 2023	
OE Meeting re Natcon and Roadshow Funding	August 4, 2023	1, 3 and 4
H-EITI CSO Constituency Meeting	August 8, 2023	2 (and 5
leeting with COMP	August 16, 2023	2, 4, and 5
ccelerating Renewable Energy: Challenges and ppportunities	August 22, 2023	1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
lining Philippines Exhibitors Briefing	August 23, 2023	
nd GFPS Sectoral Assembly 2023	August 24, 2023	
leeting with Bantay Kita Secretariat	September 25, 2023	
leeting with Bantay Kita Secretariat		
leeting with Civil Society Engagement Consultant	October 10, 2023	2 (and E
H-EITI CSO Constituency Consultation	October 31, 2023	2, 4, and 5
urigao Stakeholder Consultation	November 5-8, 2023	
leeting with OGP Commitment Plan	December 13, 2023	
elf-Assessment Workshop	December 13-14, 2023	



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