



GHANA EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRIES TRANSPARENCY INITIATIVE (GHEITI)

2021 GHEITI WORKPLAN

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The 2021 work plan clearly spells out the GHEITI Secretariat's priority areas as established by the Multi-Stakeholder Group (MSG). In accordance with Requirement 1.5 of the EITI Standard, the MSG, in consultation with key stakeholders, is mandated to develop and publish a current and fully costed work plan based on national priorities of the extractive sector of EITI implementing country such as Ghana. The work plan sets out measurable targets and timelines for the implementation of the agreed activities to attain the intended objectives.

The GHEITI Secretariat and the MSG in consultation with key stakeholders in January 2021, jointly developed a comprehensive work plan to guide the implementation of GHEITI's activities for the period January – December, 2021. The work plan seeks to:

- facilitate Ghana's EITI mainstreaming, actual implementation/capture of Beneficial Ownership (BO) information in the system deployed;
- tackle key fundamental challenges and emerging issues that confront Ghana's extractive sector such as ASM sector formalization, potential impact of energy transition among others;
- contribute to the nation's policy discourse and direction of enhancing transparency and accountability with a view to deepening good governance particularly in the extractive sector; and
- contribute in domestic revenue mobilization to support Ghana's development agenda with a view to reducing the negative effect of resource constraints imposed by Covid-19 pandemic..

This document lays down the framework that links planned strategic activities, objectives and deliverables with clearly stated responsibilities, budget, timelines and expected outputs for the year. The MSG in order to achieve the work plan's objectives will among others, execute key activities towards ensuring continuous collaboration and engagement with key stakeholders to consolidate gains made from policy/legislative reforms to actual implementation of beneficial ownership (BO) regime, Ghana commodity trading project, mainstreaming issues and engagement of Artisanal and Small Scale Mining (ASM) Sector players just to mention a few. There will be a mid-year review of the work plan by the MSG to track progress of implementation with a view to ensuring that the planned activities, budget and timelines are realistic, and still fall in line with the broader national priorities/objectives of the country given the exigencies of the time.

In view of this, the work plan has been categorized into the following broad objectives to aid smooth implementation and monitoring.

The objectives include the following:

1. Enhance citizens participation in decisions around resource extraction along the value chain;
2. Show the impact of EITI to the Economy (Direct and Indirect Contribution) through evidence-based and cut-edged research on topical issues;
3. Improve routine disclosure of Government, SOE and Company information (Production, export, sub-national transfers, quasi fiscal expenditures and state participation information through mainstreaming);
4. Capacity Building of the Secretariat, MSG and Other Stakeholders;
5. Sstrengthen the reporting or disclosure process of natural persons behind the ownership of corporate bodies with a view to reducing corruption, illicit financial flows and improving natural resource governance;
6. Strengthen Revenue Management and Natural Resource Governance; and
7. Enhance Contract Transparency in Ghana.

Justification and Scope of the Work Plan

The development of this work plan is based on broad stakeholder consultations, and seeks to further entrench transparency and accountability along the entire extractive sector value chain including license allocations, material payments and receipts, revenue collection, management and utilization with a view to enhancing development outcomes as espoused by the EITI Standard. The implementation of the activities in the work plan is well aligned with national priorities and can contribute effectively towards the achievement of Government Economic Transformation Agenda using our natural resource wealth as a vehicle.

Legislating the transparency and accountability provisions of the extractive industry governance alongside mainstreaming the data disclosures, continuous capacity building and stakeholders' engagements on the GHEITI reports will continue to add value to the process, complement other governance tools, and empower the citizenry both at the local and national levels with the right information to participate effectively in decisions around our natural resources.

TABLE 1: 2021 GHEITI WORKPLAN

N O.	OBJECTIVE	ACTIVITY	EXPECTED OUTPUT	RESPONSIBILITY	TIME LINE	COST (\$)	COST (GHS)	SOURCE OF FUNDING	EXPECTED OUTCOME
1	Objective 1: Enhance Citizens Participation in Decisions around Resource Extraction along the Value Chain	Stakeholders engagement on the 2017/18 GHEITI Reports on Mining and Oil/Gas Sectors (Western, Brong Ahafo, Ashanti & Eastern Regions)	Report on meetings	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Sept.- Dec	69,566.00	396,526.20	GoG	Awareness created on Reports
2		Organize Radio/media discussions on the 2017/18 GHEITI Reports in Western and Eastern Regions	Report on meetings	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Sept – Dec				
3		Engage stakeholders to validate the 2019/2020 GHEITI Reports	Validated GHEITI 2019/20 Reports for Mining and Oil/Gas Sectors	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Sept.- Dec.	20,000.00	114,000.00	GoG	GHEITI 2019/2020 Reports validated
4		Develop a policy brief on key issues on extractive sector - BO	Policy Brief	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Apr. – Dec.	40,000	228,000.00	GoG	Improved efficiency in GHEITI
5		Engage MoF/MLNR and the Chamber of Mines (GCM) on the treatment of the 10% Government Free Carried Interest in the mines	Meeting Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Mar. – Jun.	3,508.77	19,999.99	NRGI GCM	Deepen consultation with key stakeholders

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6		Organise Technical Round Table to select best policy option for the treatment of the 10% Government Free Carried Interest in the mines	Report	GHEITI Sec./MSG	Mar. – Jun.	10,435.00	59,479.50	NRGI GoG	Enhance GHEITI visibility and collaboration among Stakeholders
7		Ghana mainstreaming feasibility studies/roadmap	Meeting Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Mar. - June	22,957.00 5,217.00	130,854.90 29,736.90	GIZ/SECO NRGI	Increase d access to GHEITI Information
8		Engage relevant government and industry stakeholders to implement the Framework/roadmap for mainstreaming EITI data for Mining, Oil and Gas	Meeting Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	April – Dec	17,391.00	99,128.70	NRGI GIZ/SECO GoG	Increase d access to GHEITI Information
9		Organise technical roundtable on Quasi-Fiscal Expenditures (QFEs) and institutionalise systematic disclosures in the extractive sector	Framework / report	GHEITI Sec / MSG	April – June	20,000	114,000	Int’l Sec GOG	Improve d understanding and reporting on QFEs

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		(MOF, GHEITI, GNPC, GNGC, PIAC, BOG, SIGA etc)							
10		Develop Gender mainstreaming strategy and capacity building for the Ghana EITI	Training Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Jan. – June	10,435.00	59,479.50	WUSC GoG	Build stakeholders capacity on mainstreaming
11		Engage key stakeholders on the implementation of findings and recommendations of the GHEITI Reports	Workshop Reports	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Jan – Dec	10,435.00	59,479.50	GIZ/SECO NRGI GoG	Inform Policy
12	OBJECTIVE 2: Show the impact of EITI to the Economy (Direct and Indirect Contribution)	Production of 2020 GHEITI Annual Progress Report	Annual Progress Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	July-Sept	3,478.00	19,824.60	GoG	Report made available to the Int. Sec and the public
13		Undertake a research study on the impact of EITI-induced reforms on revenue generation from the extractive sector	Report	GHEITI Sec./MSG	Jan. – Mar.	17,391.00	99,128.70	GIZ/SECO GoG	Increase awareness on the findings and recomm

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14		Undertake a study on the Impact of Covid-19 on the Mining, Oil and Gas Sector	Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	June - Sept	17,391.00	99,128.70	GIZ/SECO	Impact Report
15	Objective 3: To improve routine disclosure of Government, SOE and company Information (Production, export, sub-national transfers, quasi fiscal expenditures and state participation information through mainstreaming)	Produce 2018/2019 Commodity Trading Report	2018/2019 Commodity Trading Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG/Consultant	Jan. - June	60,000.00	342,000.00	Int. Sec	Transparency and Accountability in the Sale of Ghana's Oil and Gas
16		Produce GHEITI 2019/20 Reports for Mining and Oil/Gas sectors	GHEITI 2019/20 Reports for Mining and Oil/Gas sectors	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Sep - Dec	280,000.00	1,596,000.00	GoG	2019/20 GHEITI Reports
17		Organise a technical review session of the GHEITI 2019/20 Reports for Mining and Oil/Gas Sectors	Workshop Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Sep-Dec	8,696.00	49,567.20	GoG	GHEITI 2019/20 Reports finalized
18	OBJECTIVE 4: Capacity Building of the Secretariat, MSG and Other Stakeholders	Train MSG/ Secretariat Members in courses relevant to Natural resources management in Ghana in oil/gas accounting/finance and Contract	Training Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	July - Dec	26,087.00	148,695.90	GoG GIZ/SECO	Skills of MSG/Sec member s improved

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19		(i) Organize orientation for new MSG members on the work/processes of Ghana EITI (ii) Build Capacity of the GHEITI Secretariat and MSG members on new EITI requirements and new validation model.	Training Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Mar. – Dec.	30,000.00	171,000.00	WB-EGPS	Enhanced capacity
20		Organise Training Workshop for key stakeholders at the sub national on the EITI standard and procedures	Workshop Reports	GHEITI Sec/MSG	April – Dec.	19,130.00	109,041.00	GoG	Empower communities to participate in the oversight of the extractive sector
21		Train CBOs and other local stakeholders on the new EITI Standard, how to access and use sector data under the mainstreaming / systematic disclosures for policy engagement.	Training Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	April – Dec.	40,000.00	228,000.00	WB-EGPS	Empower communities to participate in the oversight of the

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22		Organize quarterly MSG meetings to do core business	Minutes of Meetings	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Mar. – Dec.	34,783.00	198,263.10	GoG	Improve EITI implementation
23		Host international missions on EITI-related issues	Report	GHEITI Sec	Feb. – Nov.	5,217.00	29,736.90	GoG	Enhanced capacity and visibility
24	OBJECTIVE 5: To strengthen the reporting or disclosure process of natural persons behind the ownership of corporate bodies with a view to reducing corruption and improving natural resource governance	Collaborate with RGD on the implementation of Beneficial Ownership disclosure.	Meeting Reports	GHEITI Sec/MSG/RGD	Mar. – Dec.	-	-	-	BO register fully rolled out Increase awareness on the Beneficial Ownership Register

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25		Collaborate with the Registrar General's Department (RGD) to complete the development and implementation of the draft regulations and BO template in Ghana	Meeting Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG/RGD	June – Sept.	-	-	-	Draft Regulations
26		Build the supply and demand side capacity for effective BO information reporting and its use in combating corruption, illicit financial flows to demand accountability from the duty-bearers	Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG/RGD	June – Sept.	40,000.00	228,000.00	WB-EGPS	Increase access to information
27		Engage Consultant to review the GHEITI Communication Strategy	Revised Communication Strategy	GHEITI Sec/MSG/RGD/	June – Dec.	3,478.00	19,824.60	GIZ/SECO	Increase access to GHEITI Information
28	OBJECTIVE 6: Strengthen Revenue Management and Natural Resource Governance	Engage stakeholders on the implementation of validation corrective actions	Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Mar. - June	1,739.00	9,912.30	GoG	Enhanced participatory and all-inclusive views on

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29		Collaborate with the Int'l Sec/OpenOil on the development and implementation of a financial modelling (revenue forecasting) of the oil, gas and mining sector to inform relevant government decisions and public debate	Revenue forecasting Model	GHEITI Sec/MSG/Int. Sec	Mar. - June	-	-	Int. Sec	Enhanced Revenue Mobilisation
30		Organise a mid-year review to discuss work plan implementation progress	Mid- year report on implementation status and way forward	GHEITI Sec./MSG	July	8,696.00	49,567.20	GoG	Tracked implementation progress and way forward
31		Organise Annual Retreat for MSG Members for stock-taking & Work Plan Preparation	Report from retreat	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Dec.	17,391.00	99,128.70	GoG	Improved future planning
32		Engage EITI Stakeholder Institutions (MOF, MoEn, MLNR, GRA and Audit Service) on the EITI process and implementation	Meeting Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Mar. – Dec	8,696.00	49,567.20	NRGI GoG	Increased buy-in and improved EITI implementation

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33	OBJECTIVE 7 Enhance Contract Transparency in Ghana.	Engage the Minerals Commission and MLNR on the status of reviewing the Minerals and Mining Act to Disclose Contracts in the Mining Sector	Meeting Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	May-July	1,000.00	5,700.00	NRGI	Revised Minerals and Mining Act (Amendment)
34	Implementation of the GHEITI Mainstreaming	Provide technical support/training to facilitate the implementation of EITI mainstreaming at the sub National Level	Report	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Oct-Dec	40,000.00	228,000.00	WB-EGPS	Increase d access to GHEITI Information
35		Upgrade 15 EITI stakeholder agencies websites (online platform) to include Mainstreaming EITI disclosures to facilitate EITI data reporting at the sub- national level	Upgraded websites	GHEITI Sec/MSG	Oct-Dec	150,000.00	855,000.00	WB-EGPS	Increase d access to GHEITI Information
Total						1,043,087.00	5,945,771.29		