



INNOVATING IN OPEN DATA AGAINST CORRUPTION IN THE AMERICAS

- Organizers:** Colombian Government and the OAS General Secretariat
Date: Tuesday June 25, 2019 – 2:00 p.m to 6:30 p.m;
Place: Hotel Intercontinental, Room Citará, Medellín, Colombia
Language: Spanish and English with bidirectional interpretation
Participants: Event by invitation only and registration.
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Objective

To highlight the importance of using open data in the fight against corruption through a high-level dialogue between the government and non-governmental actors about collaborative innovation processes with open data to combat corruption in the Americas. The discussions will explore different cases and specific experiences on the use of open data, co-creation processes, and innovative solutions implemented in different countries of the region. This discussion will also address the role of technologies and the importance of multisectoral collaboration in the Democratic Governance agenda and the fight against corruption.

The event will provide a compendium of recommendations to the governments of the region for the implementation of the Inter-American Open Data Program to Combat Corruption - PIDA, AG / RES.2927 (XLVIII-O / 18).

Description

This event is carried out following the Lima Commitment of 2018 on the promotion of open government policies, digital government, and open data in the fight against corruption in the Americas.

The event divides into four panels. The first discussion will explore the region's challenges in the use of open data to combat corruption. The second one will highlight the solutions implemented from data that promote integrity, transparency and the identification of early warnings; followed by a third session about how different efforts could lead the region in the development of open contracting policies. Finally, the event closes with a dialogue on the contributions of open data-investigative journalism to the fight against corruption in the region.

Representatives of governments, civil society, media, and international organizations will participate, emphasizing the actions that must be implemented, from all sectors, for the use of open data with an inclusive governance perspective.

Audience

Delegations of the OAS Member States and Permanent Observer countries accredited to the General Assembly, civil society organizations, representatives of the private sector, and academia.



Agenda

2:00p.m – 2:30p.m Opening

H.E. Martha Lucia Ramírez Vice President of the Republic of Colombia
Mr. Luis Almagro Lemes Secretary General of the Organization of American States
Mr. Sanjay Pradhan CEO, Open Government Partnership

2:30p.m – 3:30p.m Transparency challenges in the region

Objective: This panel explores, through dialogue, the region's challenges in strengthening regional commitments to use open data to combat corruption; as well as open data policies and multisectoral collaboration as enablers of inclusiveness and transparency.

3:30p.m – 4:30p.m Innovating with open data to combat corruption in the Americas

Objective: The discussion will elaborate on new technological developments available in the region to encourage transparency, access to public information, and integrity. The panelists will bring success cases and/or concrete solutions on how from technological developments integrity is encouraged.

4:30p.m – 4:45p.m Coffee break

4:45p.m – 5:30p.m Towards an open contracting policy in the region

Objective: This panel explores the status of open contracting in the region and evaluates the open contracting policy model developed by the Inter-American Network on Government Procurement (INGP)

5:30p.m - 6:15p.m Open data Journalism

Objective: This session deals with an analysis of investigative journalism and the role of news media emerging in Latin America that make intensive use of open data, as well as journalistic initiatives to strengthen democratic participation and expose corruption.

6:15p.m – 6:30p.m Conclusions