

Events in the framework of the International Open Data Day

March 2, 2019

I. Background

There is evidence that the effective use of data has the potential to be one of the greatest enablers to increase government efficiency and hinder the diversion and misuse of public resources, in addition to having positive implications for the provision of goods and services. However, for this to happen, it is important to publish the data as well as to recognize the existence of internal and external users, who will not always have the same needs, capacities, motivations and incentives in the use of the data. It is clear that each type of user can benefit from a policy of proactive and comprehensive dialogue surrounding the use and publication of data. In particular, there is a sector of the public that, without being an expert in budgetary matters, is interested in knowing the fate of public resources, being interested in and concerned with the provision of services and public investment close to their communities.

With this in mind, within the framework of the International Open Data Day, the Global Initiative for Fiscal Transparency (GIFT) and the CAF-Development Bank of Latin America invited GIFT member countries to be part of the #DataOnTheStreets Rally and the Better Budget Dataquest. This document describes the characteristics of the activity options that were carried out in this framework. Subsequently, the characteristics and results of the events that were carried out by country are reported. Finally, it reflects on general results that were observed during the event.

II. Description of the Activities

- **#DataOnTheStreets Rally.** It is an initiative convened jointly by civil society and government so that, during a certain period¹, the public uses the data generated by the government regarding investment projects, as well as the respective transparency platforms, to follow up on the public construction. Through this call, the public is invited to go to the streets and identify how the data disclosed in georeferenced digital platforms reflect investments or public works that impact on their daily lives, verify the use of public resources in infrastructure and share their findings through social media. With this, the Rally works as a social audit type of mechanism for public construction, in which participants learn to use existing information to demand accountability and the government obtains information on the status of the work and data gaps, with who can take improvement measures as required. It is an initiative of public participation in the budget execution phase by digital means to generate a more informed, participatory and involved society.

The objective of the Rally is to approach the general population, regardless of their knowledge of data or experience in managing advanced technologies, based on the fact that participants can consult information on public works through visualizations and report their findings through social media that they are familiar with.

In the following [video](#) that can be played from YouTube, a brief testimonial is presented in which the participants and conveners of the Rally in Chile relate their experiences and incentives to participate.



- **Better Budget Dataquest for Sustainable Development.** In this Dataquest, government and civil society summon the population so that teams of up to five people can explore the open data of public expenditures and relate them with additional data and contextual information to present results or findings of the implications of the allocation and execution of the budget on one of the following categories: gender, inequality or

¹ The time for participation varies from country to country but goes from two to four weeks.

environment. The topics were selected based on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), considering the important role of the public budget for achieving them, and it was restricted to three categories selected for their relevance in the current debate. It is an opportunity to find original analyzes on certain topics, as well as proposals for innovative solutions to improve the efficiency, effectiveness and impact of public spending. Additionally, the process is an opportunity for open data publishers to expand knowledge about the budget and its data, as well as an opportunity to observe the challenges that data users may face and thereby improve their publication.

The Dataquest is oriented to a target population with intermediate to advanced knowledge in the field of data science, economics or journalism (or similar). In the beginning, the conveners chose the Dataquest as an alternative to the Rally because they did not have data on public works published in a geo-referenced format, however, as the logistics of the events were made, a greater potential of the event was observed, which encouraged other countries they want to take the initiative, as will be seen later in the case of Costa Rica.



GIFT sent the invitation to its more than 40 Stewards, in which they were invited to be part of the Open Data Day. As a result of the invitation, the following countries participated in the activities: Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Indonesia, Mexico (at the National and subnational levels in Mexico City), South Africa and Uruguay.



La Celebración Global de los Datos Abiertos se acerca **¡Queremos que seas parte de ella!**

¿Tu gobierno publica información sobre presupuesto, gasto u obra pública en datos abiertos? ¿Tu organización está interesada en incentivar el uso de datos para mejorar la entrega de bienes y servicios públicos? ¡Esto es para ti!

En 2018, tres países tuvieron Rally de #DatosEnLaCalle y para 2019 queremos que más miembros de la GIFT participen en realizar eventos el Día Internacional de Datos Abiertos. En 2019 habrá dos tipos de eventos distintos:



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Aprende más sobre el Rally 2019

¿Cómo realizar un evento?

Revisa el folleto de cada tipo de evento y ¡Avísanos que quieres hacer uno! El equipo de Coordinación de GIFT proveerá las reglas generales de base para cada tipo de evento y las abrirá para co-creación con la Red. El equipo de coordinación de la GIFT hará lo posible para que tengan eventos exitosos, ya sea para la publicación de datos, experiencias de eventos previos, encontrar colaboraciones de gobierno o sociedad civil o esfuerzos de situación. GIFT tendrá un fondo limitado para premios para incentivar la participación, así que avísanos de la intención de participar antes del 14 de diciembre.

¿Pueden convocarse los dos eventos?

¡Sí! Si el país tiene datos abiertos de gasto y obra pública o puede abrir los datos antes de febrero 2019, es posible convocar a los dos eventos.

¿Cualquier duda o mejor información

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For each type of activity, GIFT developed the generic rules that were adapted to the needs of each country. They can be found at the following addresses: #DataOnTheStreets Rally

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1f64IPrrrgcOWIoRnvP1khOci5KMG39bmyWNWwLPvcl0> and Dataquest

https://drive.google.com/open?id=1_wkQn8uuXUTmCkIYLj1MXVrmk97Ey2jlxkr-ldQvn_8. Additionally, follow-up and accompaniment were provided to each of the local conveners, including tips and communication materials, such as the presentation that can be found at the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0BxS2XaJSAR6VZUVUa1JCOHpzRF9raG54RTRXNy1kb0xhcFNZ>. It should be noted that the local conveners had the opportunity to stay in direct communication through WhatsApp chats created for each type of activity, in which they shared milestones, proposals and challenges they faced in the development.

III. Events by country

- **Argentina**

- **Type of event: Better Budget Dataquest for Sustainable Development**

- **Co-conveners (all GIFT Stewards):**

- **Civil society:** Civil Association for Equality and Justice (ACIJ) and the Latin American Initiative for Open Data (ILDA).
- **Government:** Budget Secretariat of the Ministry of Finance²

- **Mechanism of the event:** The one-day event began with presentations on the budget cycle and use of open data by the Ministry of Finance, as well as presentations on the use of APIs on the data page open of the Government of Argentina by the Ministry of Modernization.

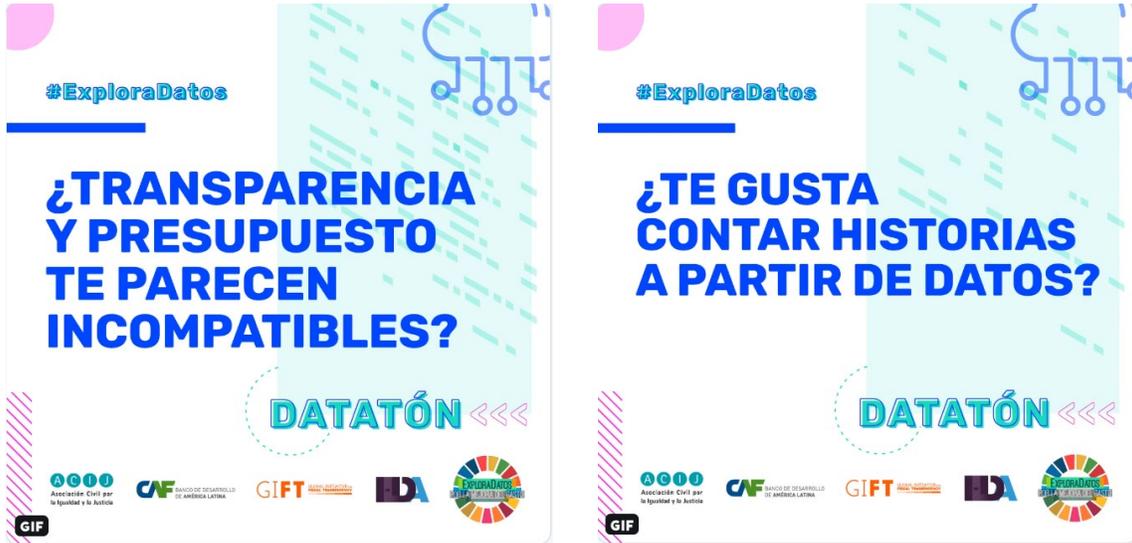
During the rest of the afternoon, the teams devoted the exploration of data according to the established in the of participation and finally proceeded to the presentation team had five minutes to present their projects with what proceeded to determine points and analysis to define the



themselves to general bases of results. Each the jury winning team.

² While the MoF was not officially a convener, representatives from the Budget Secretariat conducted the first part of the event with presentations regarding the budget cycle and were present to provide technical assistance to the teams during the event.

- Local invitation:



- Results of the event:** The announcement was spread by ACIJ mainly in social media and the registered ones were journalists, members of other civil society organizations that could benefit from the analysis of spending and population in general, such as a music student and engineering students. In the event 9 teams were registered with a total of 84 people, some of whom had to be put on the waiting list due to the capacity of the room. Additionally, a sector of the Ministry of Defense that learned about the event's social media requested to participate, however, given that there was no space for the number of participants requested, it was agreed to generate a specific training for them that will take place afterwards, with the participation of ACIJ and the Budget Secretariat of the Ministry of Finance.

Most of the teams were oriented to the use of open budget data in connection with analysis of objectives, indicators and goals of the budgetary programs.



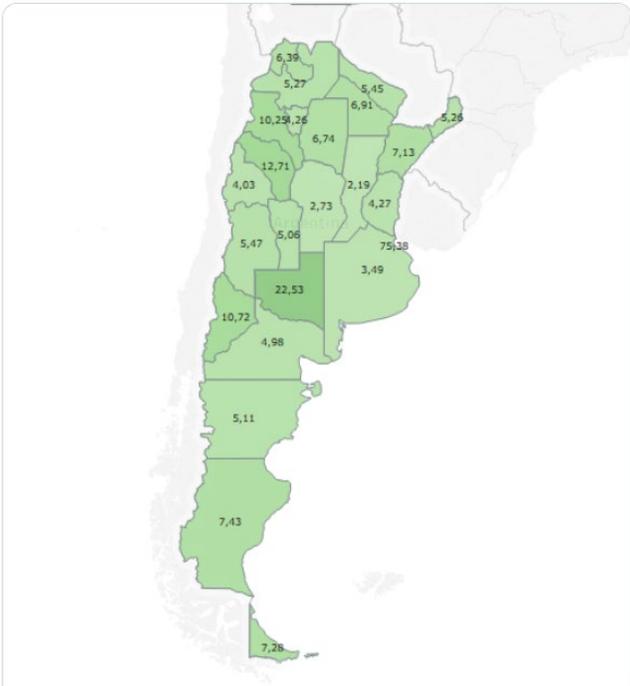


The winning team, selected by the jury and public assessment method, reflected on the geographical distribution of the per capita resources allocated to the Comprehensive Sexual Education Program, finding an unequal distribution concentrated in certain regions of the country, as shown in the image below:


Agus Alvarez 
 @itsAgusAlvarez

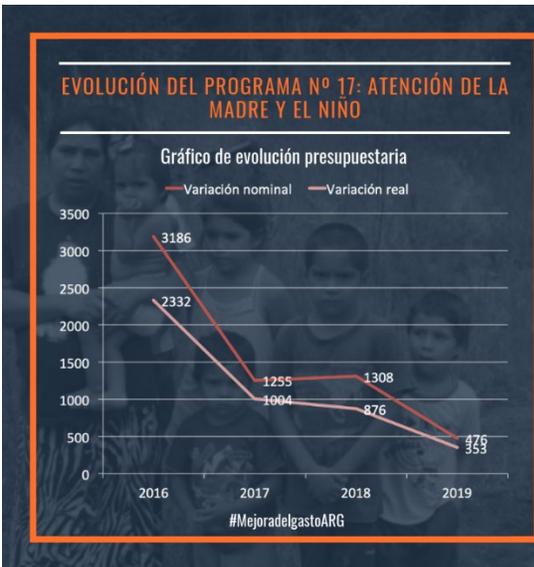
Según el presupuesto 2019 se destinarán \$9,63 en promedio por estudiante en la Argentina para la #ESI
[#ExploraDatos](#) [#MejoraDelGastoARG](#)

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Among the main findings of the projects presented to improve processes and spending, was the need to strengthen the information regarding the performance of budget programs as well as the planning of goals, information that corresponds to publish to the Ministry of Finance. Regarding the first point, the teams observed the difficulty of monitoring the programs due to constant adjustments in the program structure, such as the compaction of ministries or the creation of new secretariats and changes in the denomination of budgetary

programs across time. Likewise, they warned that only the monitoring of a few selected indicators is published in the in-year spending reports. Moreover, when the Secretariat makes public the results of the goals, it is not done in the same format as the planned goals, which is a limitation for the analysis. Additionally, it was observed that, in programs selected by the participants, the planning of goals and spending remains constant over the years despite constant overestimation of goals and under-spending, as can be seen in the following images of the second-place team's project.



● **Chile**

- **Type of event:** #DataOnTheStreets Rally

- **Co-conveners:**

- **Civil society:** Observatorio del Gasto Fiscal (GIFT Steward)
- **Government:** Ministry of Public Works, Government Laboratory and Office of the Comptroller General of the Republic
- **Private sector:** Chilean Chamber of Construction

- **Mechanism of the event:** Participants in the Rally had two weeks to visit public construction works and report their findings through social media. The conveners placed additional emphasis on gathering the participants' perception of the quality of the transparency platforms, as well as the data presented.

The winners were defined based on the count of points according to the participation rules, which included the number of projects visited, documentation and analysis of data and creativity in the dissemination efforts. Finally, the ten teams with the highest scores were analyzed by the jury, composed by representatives of the co-convenor organizations who defined the three winning teams.



- Local invitation:



- Results of the event:** The case of Chile was the only one of the events that brought together the efforts of civil society, government and the private sector for the same purpose. In this same sense, one of its main results is that the convening parties have reiterated their interest in continuing to carry out this type of event in later years since it allows improving the quality of the information presented and, eventually, the public works that are carried out.

In the event, 513 people from 13 regions and 39 communes registered, unlike the Rally of 2018 when the participation was limited mainly to Santiago. In this occasion, 263 unique works were visited in the country, sharing 1,491 publications on social media (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram). The participants showed great creativity in their publications, including videos, infographics and data analysis. They also expressed their appreciation to the convening institutions from civil society and government and private sector, for carrying out this type of initiatives of open government and participation.

Below are examples of participations

Videos Infographics Analysis of data

Victor Hugo @oyequedon
 En este último capítulo de #60Segundos visité la obra: CONSERVACION PERGOLA DE LAS FLORES SAN FRANCISCO COMUNA DE INDEPENDENCIA

En su programa de fiscalización de obras favorito, 60 Segundos.

Últimos capítulos.

@mop_chile @observafiscalci #DatosEnLaCalle #RallyChile

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Ismael Araya Lira @ismaelaraya
 [6]
 El monto utilizado para esta conservación equivale a: 1.951 entradas al festival de viña del mar!
 #Datosenlcalle @observafiscalci #rallychile

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María Gracia Pinto @mgraciapinto - Feb 26
 N°14 MAS INFO
 *Oferta \$1.672.260
 *Reclamos por no cumplir plazo de pago: 3
 *Licitación Pública menos a 100 UTM
 *Criterio de evaluación ofertas
 1 Precio 30%
 2 Calidad técnica de los bienes y servicios 70%
 * Único oferente
 #RallyChile #DatosEnLaCalle @observafiscalci



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María Gracia Pinto @mgraciapinto - Feb 26
 N°14 Ficha Proveedor
 Empresa constructora Martínez y González LTDA
 Mantiene actualizaciones:
 5325-79-LE18 3781-LQ18
 Suministro bacheco 3781-7-LQ18
 #RallyChile #DatosEnLaCalle @observafiscalci



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Luis Muñoz @luchozunozm - Feb 25
 Hora de #Retoreporter@? Se vienen grandes noticias en Obras Públicas para Linares 🙌. Gracias a Francisco Durán, Seremi MOP Maule, por tomarse un tiempo para conversar. Revisa el video de #DataLin 📺
 @observafiscalci #RallyChile #Datosenlcalle



71 views

María Gracia Pinto @mgraciapinto
 N°13 MEJORAMIENTO MULTICANCHA FUNCIONARIOS, GYM JOSE ROJAS ZAMORA.
 Lo que anteriormente era un cancha de tenis, pasó a ser una multicancha de fútbol ya terminada pero, según gente cercana, nunca entregada.
 Ficha de obra adjunta
 #RallyChile #DatosEnLaCalle @observafiscalci

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반지 @frontuits
 Ahora, fuimos a donde supuestamente tenía que estar construyéndose el Justicia Social 1. Este fue el panorama. Baia baia.

#DatosEnLaCalle #RallyChile @observafiscalci

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12:07 AM - Feb 26, 2019 - Twitter Web Client

2 Likes

반지 @frontuits - Feb 26
 Replying to @frontuits
 Sólo pudimos saber que ahí iba a estar la construcción por habían unos papeles pegados de la constructora Oval en una regla, pero aparte de eso, nada de nada. Supuestamente tiene que estar lista en agosto del 2019 🙄inserte emoji sorprendido aquí🙄

#DatosEnLaCalle @observafiscalci

Monto vigente de la obra	\$1.125.732.834
Monto inicial contratado	\$1.125.732.834
Avance físico	0,0%

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However, it should be noted that there is still work to be done to obtain quality data for the monitoring of public works, since the participants constantly found discrepancies between what was published on the platforms and what was observed in the field. These discrepancies, since the transparency platforms are connected to the public works monitoring systems of the government, show the difficulty with which the authorities can really follow up on the correct planning and implementation of investment projects, as well as their control.

Examples of reporting data inconsistencies

The collage consists of four screenshots of tweets reporting data inconsistencies:

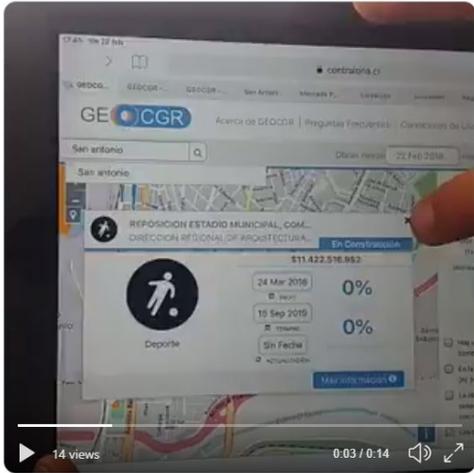
- Top Left:** A tweet by Maria Gracia Pinto (@mgraciapinto) reporting that the GEOGRG platform shows 0% physical and financial progress for a project. It includes a screenshot of the platform interface for 'CONSTRUCCIÓN ESTACIONAMIENTO SED. MUNICIPALIDAD DE SANTO DOMINGO' with a progress bar at 0% and a photo of the actual construction site.
- Top Right:** A tweet by Equipo Kanahei (@EKanahei) discussing the incongruence between map data and real work locations. It includes a screenshot of a tweet reply from the same user stating that mobile map loading is slow and affects data accuracy.
- Bottom Left:** A tweet by Luis Muñoz (@luchomunozm) questioning the lack of updated information on the platform. It includes a video thumbnail with the text: 'MUY POCAS OBRAS DE LAS QUE VISITAMOS TENIAN INFORMACIÓN ACTUALIZADA'.
- Bottom Right:** A tweet by Diego Ronaldo (@diegoronaldop) reporting that a project is marked as completed on the platform but shows 0% progress. It includes a screenshot of the platform interface for 'MEJORAMIENTO SEDE SOCIAL UNIDAD V...' with a progress bar at 0% and a photo of the site.

Additionally, participants reported problems with the user experience of the platforms. As is well known, most governments face challenges so that their digital services have the quality and efficiency that users are accustomed to with private digital tools. Although the government showed willingness and interest to improve, it is still necessary to reinforce the efforts, since the difficulties in the use of the platforms derive in the lack of use,

distrust in the publication and eventual disinterest in the participation.

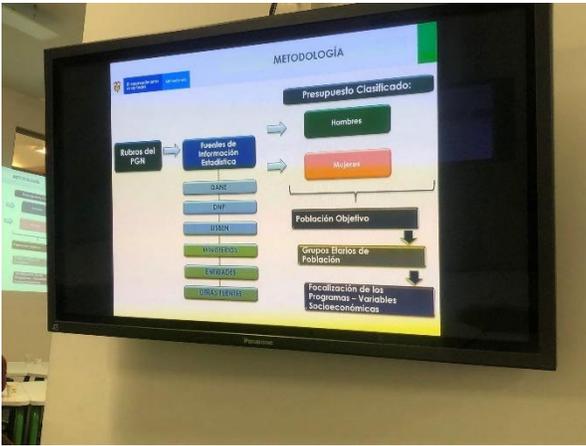
Examples of problems reported of the platforms

María Gracia Pinto @mgraciapinto · Feb 23
 La plataforma GEOCGR para tablets tiene fallas en el funcionamiento. No da información sobre todas las obras, solo de algunas. #Mejoremosladata #RallyChile #DatosEnLaCalle @observafiscalcl



Acerca de GEO MOP/GEO CGR

- Los portales permite un ser una espacio de datos abiertos para acceder a la información de las construcciones/obras, sin embargo, sus interfaz no se encuentra diseñada para personas con poco conocimiento en la web o para personas en situación de discapacidad
- En ocasiones la información entregada se encuentra desactualizada o simplemente con información errada.
- Los portales alguna vez sufrían de caída y errores.
- Si bien los portales funcionan de buena manera por pc/notebook, en dispositivos móviles los portales funciona de manera parcial



Presupuesto General de la Nación
Selección por tipo de gasto

Distribución del presupuesto clasificado por género entre mujeres y hombres, por tipo de gasto

Tipo	2015		2016		2017		2018	
	Mujeres	Hombre	Mujeres	Hombre	Mujeres	Hombre	Mujeres	Hombre
Entendimiento	55%	45%	59%	45%	55%	45%	52%	48%
Gastos de personal	47%	53%	47%	53%	47%	53%	47%	53%
Gastos generales	38%	42%	58%	42%	57%	43%	53%	47%
Transferencias	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operación comercial	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deuda	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%
Inversión	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%
Total general	54%	46%	54%	46%	54%	46%	52%	48%

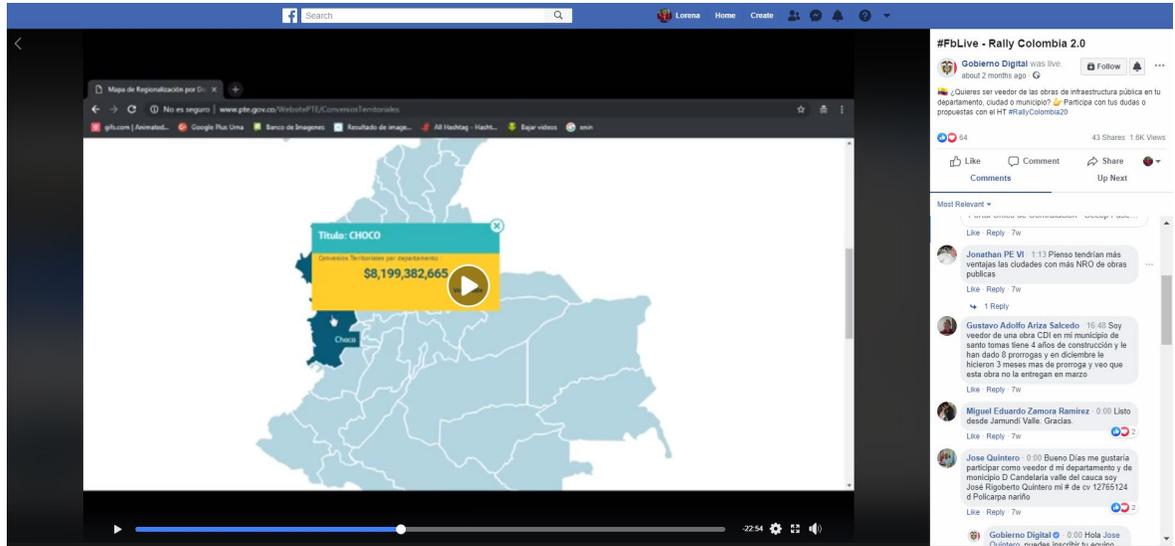
Additionally, public procurement was analyzed with a gender perspective, which underscored the lack of data disaggregation for this purpose. The Ministry of Finance and Public Credit and the Public Innovation Team of the National Planning Department will follow up on the recommendations and conclusions reached at the event.



- **Type of event:** #DataOnTheStreets Rally
- **Co-conveners:**
 - **Government:** Ministry of Finance and Public Credit, Secretary of Transparency of the Presidency
 - **Civil society:** Open Knowledge Colombia and Open Contracting Partnership (GIFT Steward)
- **Mechanism of the event:** The Government of Colombia published data about investment projects and invited the public to sign up for the event. Once registered, teams consisting of two or three people should consult the open data of public infrastructure projects posted on the web pages <http://www.pte.gov.co> and <http://www.datos.gov.co>. The information was prioritized in four categories: Sports Infrastructure, Infrastructure for Peace, Roads for Peace and Environmental Projects. According to the local operating rules of the event, the participants would go out to the streets to document the projects, reporting their findings through social media. With this, each team would obtain points to define the winning teams.
- **Local invitation:**



- **Event results:** During the online launch of the event there was interest from the participants as can be seen in the image below.



However, unlike what happened in the Rally in Colombia in 2018, the determination of winners was declared void due to lack of participation. The results were largely due to the low anticipation with which the call was launched and the lack of dissemination in this regard. Moreover, interest was affected with the pre-selection of projects carried out on the platforms, which generates that users do not always find projects near their community, on the contrary, in most cases they are located in communities of isolated from the cities. It must be considered that to achieve the participation of these communities, different outreach and participation strategies are required, considering that context matters in the implementation of public participation.

Examples of participation

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March 22 · Santiago de cali, Colombia · 🌐

Participando en el Rally Colombia 2.0 de Veeduría Ciudadana en las diferentes obras públicas en Colombia.
RallyColombia / Open Data Day

Hoy desde la pista de BMX William Jiménez en la Unidad Deportiva Alberto Galindo en Cali – Valle del Cauca.

#DatosEnLaCalle #OpenGovWeek #OpenDataDay2019 #RallyColombia20 Secretaría de Transparencia Min.Hacienda Ministerio TIC Colombia Open Knowledge Open Contracting @FiscalTrans



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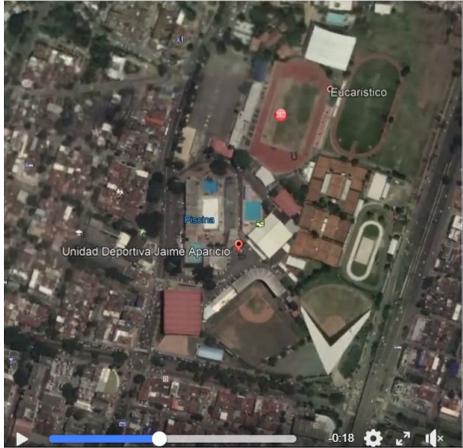
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Inmersioon is at Unidad Deportiva Jaime Aparicio. Like Page

March 20 · Santiago de cali, Colombia · 🌐

Participando en el Rally Colombia 2.0 de Veeduría Ciudadana en las diferentes obras públicas en Colombia. Hoy desde el Coliseo de Voleibol de la Unidad Deportiva Jaime Aparicio en Cali – Valle del Cauca.

#DatosEnLaCalle #OpenGovWeek #OpenDataDay2019 #RallyColombia20 Secretaría de Transparencia Min.Hacienda Ministerio TIC Colombia Open Knowledge Open Contracting @STransparencia @MinHacienda @Ministerio_TIC @OpenKnowledgeCo @Opencontracting @FiscalTrans



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● **Costa Rica**

The case of Costa Rica is particular since it is not a member of the GIFT Network. Based on the dissemination of the events in GIFT social media, as well as with specific civil society groups, the Public Budgeting Innovation Laboratory (LIPP) contacted the GIFT Coordination team to express their interest in the event. From this, GIFT and the LIPP held different communications to explain the mechanism and the requirements to carry out a Dataquest. Finally, the LIPP held an informative session about Dataquest within the Open Data Day of Costa Rica organized by the organization Abriendo Datos Costa Rica. This has only been the first step that will allow the country to advance in the matter, as can be seen in the Results section. The case of Costa Rica demonstrates the potential of these activities to generate collective interest in the matter and support their growth.

- **Type of event:** Better Budget Dataquest for Sustainable Development
- **Co-conveners:**
 - **Academia:** Public Budgeting Innovation Laboratory
 - **Civil society:** Abriendo Datos Costa Rica
- **Event mechanism:** In Costa Rica, GIFT and the LIPP observed that the lack of open data on budget would not allow to carry out the Dataquest as conceptualized. With that in mind, during the Open Data Day event, the LIPP presented the Dataquest methodology, which allowed to further analyze the data that is required to be published in the country in order to have such activity. The activity was informative about the potential of open budget data, so the LIPP sought to generate interest in the matter to boost support for the opening of budget data by the National Budget Directorate General (DGPN) and carry out a Dataquest activity in consecutive years.
- **Local invitation:**



- **Results of the event:** Based on the presentation of the methodology of the Dataquest made on the Open Data

Day, the LIPP that supports the DGPN in matters of budget improvement, transparency and public participation, presented a project proposal to publish budget open data according to the Open Fiscal Data Package and generate the Budget School for budget literacy. On April 30, 2019, GIFT was informed that the DGPN has agreed to start with the project, so next year it is expected to have the implementation of a Dataquest in which users can already analyze the data of public spending to improve public policies.



● Indonesia

- **Type of event:** Better Budget Dataquest for Sustainable Development
- **Co-conveners:**
 - **Government:** General Budget Office of the Ministry of Finance (GIFT Steward)
 - **Civil society:** Seknas- Fitra (GIFT Steward)
 - **Academia:** Politeknin State University (PKN STAN)
- **Mechanism of the event:** The activity was addressed to university students and was carried out twice, each on a different campus from the PKN STAN university, first in Jakarta and then in Tangerang. As established in the general rules of operation of the event, the conveners invited students to form teams of up to five people with different profiles of data analysts, journalists and communicators to use the budget data and document their findings through a multimedia piece, start of a research work or another similar way.

During the start of each of the activities, the participants received an introduction on the structure of the country's budget, as well as on the fiscal transparency page of the Ministry of Finance in which open budget data can be consulted. After that, the teams proceeded to work on their respective projects to present their results to the group and the jury. The jury was made up of representatives of the organizing organizations, who analyzed the projects based on the guiding questions, part of the general bases proposed by GIFT. At the end of each of the two events a winning team was determined and then the winning team from Indonesia that competed for the overall prize was announced.



- Local invitation

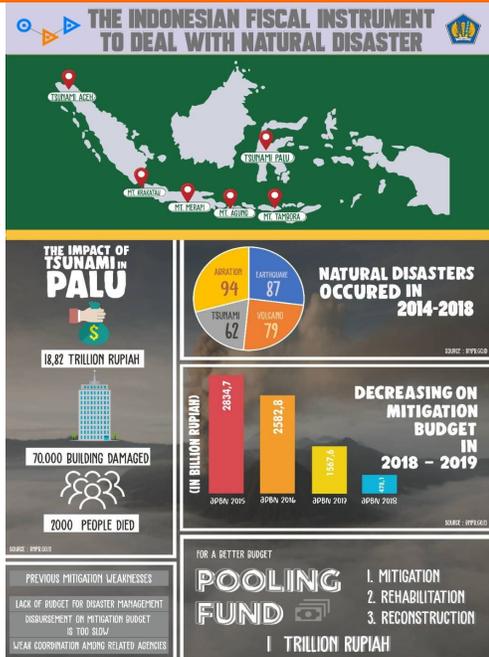


- Results of the event: 88 people participated in the activities, who made up 24 teams, which presented an equal number of projects.



The projects highlighted importance of integrating the youth in budget improvement discussions, since they showed deep analysis and creative ways to communicate them, which is relevant to attract attention to the issues that will affect the new generations. As an example of this, the winning team -Pou's Fund Team- focused on fiscal instruments to deal with natural disasters, a topic of growing interest in the effects of climate change that will greatly affect the country. The team analyzed the fiscal data for the mitigation of climate change and compared it with the impact of recent natural disasters, finding that the resources allocated for this matter are insufficient and will be a fiscal risk in the short to medium term. The products of the team are the infographic that is presented next and the video that can be reproduced in the following link: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/19610uh53XDodOdUMrVuHpZFFhvMoFvt2/view?usp=sharing>.

Infographic **Video**



The Dataquest was an opportunity for participants not only to learn how to interpret the budget, but also to create skills for the use of open data, as can be seen in the following testimonials:

1st place



2nd place



3rd place



● Mexico

In Mexico the two types of events were carried out as described below:

- **Type of event:** #DataOnTheStreets Rally
- **Co-conveners:**
 - **Government:** Ministry of Finance and Public Credit (SHCP, GIFT Lead Steward)
 - **Civil society:** SocialTic and Inteligencia Pública
- **Mechanism of the event:** For the fourth consecutive year, the #DataOnTheStreets Rally took place in Mexico, in which the participants went to verify in situ the public works carried out both by the Federal Government and by the subnational governments. Over the course of two weeks, the participants used the open data and georeferenced platforms of the Budget Transparency portal to visit public works and document their findings on social media through photos, videos, infographics and data analysis.

At the end of the period of visits, the conveners counted the points, according to the participation rules, by number of visits, interactions, data analysis and creativity in the publication. With this, the jury analyzed the ten teams with the highest score in terms of creativity, data analysis and dissemination strategy.

Judges

 <p>MARCO CANCINO DIRECTOR GENERAL INTELIGENCIA PÚBLICA</p> <p>Es maestro en Economía Política por la Universidad Complutense de Madrid. Se ha especializado en el área de planificación estratégica y fortalecimiento institucional, evaluación del desempeño, fiscalización, transparencia presupuestaria, así como la homologación estatal o nivel estatal y municipal.</p> <p>Actualmente es Director General de Inteligencia Pública, centro de investigación dedicado a ciudadanizar información pública. Cree fervientemente que la transparencia es verbo, no sustantivo.</p>	 <p>JUAN PABLO GUERRERO DIRECTOR DE GIFT</p> <p>Ha desde 2014 el Director de la Iniciativa Global por la Transparencia Fiscal, así como el primer evaluador que ayuda al avance en el desarrollo de presupuesto y participación y rendición de cuentas en varios países y a nivel global. Fue el primer fundador del Instituto de Datos de la Información y Protección de Datos de la UNAM (2002-2004) donde se creó el primer Laboratorio de Datos en Transparencia Presupuestaria de México (2007-2014) entre 1994 y 2004 ha sido profesor y investigador en el Centro de Investigaciones y Estudios Económicos (CIDE) en la ciudad de México, con áreas de especialidad en innovación, cambio climático, cultura y transparencia, así como, en el área de comunicación y desarrollo de medios interactivos en Washington y donde hizo estudios de maestría y doctorado en política pública (IES-Universidad Johns Hopkins y Sciences & Arts).</p>	 <p>ALICIA CÓMEZ SUBDIRECTORA SHCP</p> <p>Diseñadora y Comunicadora Visual, experta en lenguaje ciudadano y transparencia presupuestaria.</p> <p>Máxima de tiempo completo egresada de la Facultad de Arquitectura y Diseño. La pasión por la creatividad la ha llevado a desenvolverse en varias ramas de manera profesional, como manager, diseñadora gráfica, editorial y web tanto en el sector público como en el privado.</p> <p>Más de 12 años de entrega a la creatividad. 5 años siendo en la apertura y lenguaje ciudadano en los datos y toda una experiencia de los colores, líneas y texturas.</p>
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- Local invitation:



- Results of the event:** During the 2019 Rally, 327 people were registered as teams and as individual contestants, who visited 115 unique public works projects. In spite of the fact that in terms of people registered and visits to works, there was a decrease compared to Rally 2018, the continuity of the exercise was a great achievement considering the recent change of administration in the Federal Government, which at that time took only 3 months in your charges.

Below are examples of participations.

Photos

Gerardo Luna @glunachi · Feb 26
 CLAVE DE CARTERA: 1850GYR0009 #YoVisité 4ta obra Centro de Simulación para la Excelencia Clínica y Quirúrgica en Mérida, Yucatán.
 @TPresupuestaria RallyMexico2019
 #DatosEnLaCalle #GanaFans #EnComunidad #RallyMX obra aún no ha sido entregada 65% de avance físico



SEPLAN Yucatán and Servicios de Salud de Yucatán

Infographics

Yoterepo.Mx
 February 27

#RallyMx #DatosEnLaCalle Transparencia Presupuestaria
 Los beneficiarios esperan que en breve se culmine esta obra. Urgente que el municipio de #Tepeyanco publique a través de su sitio web u otro medio electrónico la información completa de la obra pública... See More



11 PARQUE INFANTIL TEPEYANCO, TEPEYANCO, TLAXCALA

Monto de Inversión Total: \$500,000
 Ubicación: Tepeyanco, Tlaxcala
 Responsable: N/D
 Beneficiarios Directos: 12,047 (INEGI)
 Beneficiarios Indirectos: N/D
 Avance Físico: 85%

Observaciones

- Se requiere el Aprobamiento para que por medios digitales (GPO, etc.) informemos a la población sobre la obra de Transparencia e Información Pública, a fin de conocer más datos sobre la obra.

AVANCE 85% FÍSICO

“No queda muy cerca del caso, cada todos los días trabajo a mi hermano”

Videos and interviews

REFAA @RefcaAg
 #DatosEnLaCalle #RallyMx @TPresupuestaria
 Entrevistando beneficiarios y participando con los datos en la calle. Parque Cerro de Amalucan y Parque Benito Juárez Junta Auxiliar La Libertad. Equipo Salvando el Cerro de Amalucan iniciativa REAFCA



9:43 AM · Feb 26, 2019 · Twitter Web App

Mane MP
 February 13

#DatosEnLaCalle #RallyMX
 Transparencia Presupuestaria
 El día de hoy me encuentro visitando la obra: MEX18180101060316 Construcción De Barda Perimetral Malla Ciclónica Preescolar Conafe Xhoñe Parte Baja - 1974
 Donde la relación que nos otorgan los vecino de dicha localidad y lo que observo: esta obra fue entregada hace un año por el gobierno municipal... completada en un 100 % les dejo la evidencia...



2 Comments 1 Share

David Mata @davidmatamx
 El 4° proyecto que verifiqué fue construcción de arcoteco en Sec. General Lázaro Cárdenas (Clave de proyecto MEX18180201140116) Aún no comienza la ejecución del proyecto. Alumnos y padres comentan que será una obra con grandes beneficios
 #DatosEnLaCalle #RallyMX @TPresupuestaria



Avance físico: 0%
 Monto aprobado: \$891,595

11:59 PM · Feb 26, 2019 from Naucalpan de Juárez, México · Twitter for Android

Jessie Camargo @jessycamargo
 Hemos revisado la obra pública pavimentación del barrio de San Juan de Dios, segunda etapa GUA18180101074597
 Realizamos una entrevista a los locatarios de la zona sobre sus opiniones a la obra.
 #DatosEnLaCalle #RallyMX #Vamajes @TPresupuestaria



10:13 AM · Feb 27, 2019 · Twitter Web App

As a result of the Rally in previous years, the SHCP observed the need to rebuild the internal system in which subnational governments are legally required to report progress in their construction projects. Among the main findings that led to this conclusion were:

1. The system did not allow incorporating multiple coordinates for a project, which is a deficiency especially for local projects considering the type of services they provide, for example, paving in several streets or installation of luminaires around a community. This, for the participants of the Rally or for any inspector represented an important obstacle to locate the works;
2. The system did not allow multiple physical goals for a project, which generated groupings in a goal according to the appreciation of the local public official in charge of reporting. As in the previous case, for the participants of the Rally or any auditor this was a limitation to diagnose the progress of the work and make an analysis of the physical progress against the financial.
3. Financial progress was reported as a global amount without differentiating the different funding sources of the projects.

The SHCP announced the new system in October 2018, so that at the time of the Rally there was data on the new system. However, the visualization platform is not yet programmed to reflect the changes made to the internal system, so the reports of data inconsistencies continued, especially in subnational projects. Additionally, the new administration in the SHCP has stated that they will continue the process of training and monitoring the report in order to improve the quality of the data.

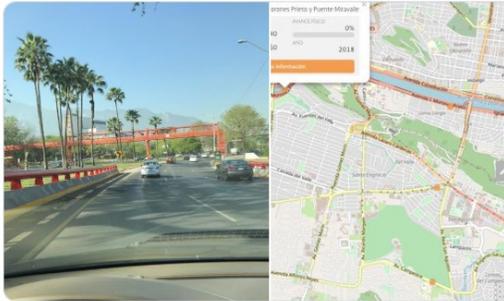
Examples of participant reports



Caro Treviño @carotrev98

El proyecto Gaza Av. Ignacio Morones Prieto y Puente Miravalle, con clave 12096390015, cuenta con un avance físico de 100% lo cual no se muestra en la página. Esto aun y cuando la fecha señalada para terminarlo fue el 31/12/18. #DatosEnLaCalle #RallyMX #YoVisité @TPresupuestaria

[Translate Tweet](#)



8:46 PM · Feb 27, 2019 · Twitter for iPhone



Jorge Salazar ⚡ @salazarxjorge · Feb 28

Datos encontrados:

-Fuimos a la ubicación que se proporciona en el portal, que es la misma que se da al Corredor de flujo continuo Díaz Ordaz - Paso Vehicular Mercado de Abastos (clave: 12096390019).

-Al llegar a la ubicación no encontramos ningún avance de ninguna obra.

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Jorge Salazar ⚡ @salazarxjorge · Feb 28

-Creemos que se presenta un error en la plataforma en la información de la ubicación del proyecto.

-La ubicación que se da en la plataforma NO es la correcta o no hay avance la obra.

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Notwithstanding the reports made through social media, Mexico is the only one of the Rallies in which a timely follow-up is made to each of the reports made by the participants and is open online (http://transparenciapresupuestaria.gob.mx/work/models/PTP/programas/OpenDataDay/Resultados/Seguimiento_Rally.xlsx).

- **Type of event:** Better Budget Dataquest for Sustainable Development
- **Co-conveners:**
 - **Civil society:** Economic and Budgetary Research Center (CIEP, GIFT partner), SocialTic, Fundar (GIFT Steward)
 - **Government:** Ministry of Finance and Credit Public
- **Mechanism of the event:** As established in the general operating rules of the event, the conveners invited the general population to form teams of up to five people with data scientists, journalists and communicators to analyze the expenditures data and document their findings by means of a multimedia piece, beginning of a research work or another similar way.

The process was divided into two phases. The first one covered previous weeks in which a concept of open offices was carried out in which CIEP and Fundar, where participants received training about budget data analysis and gave specific workshops. The second was the on site participation of the teams in the Open Data Day in Mexico, organized by SocialTic. Within this event, the teams finished their projects and presented them to the jury who finally determined the winning team based on the merits of depth of the analysis, creativity in counting the findings and linking different data sources.

Jury

CONOCE A LOS JUECES DEL #EXPLORADATOS



SUNNY ARELY VILLA JUÁREZ
INVESTIGADORA ASOCIADA
CIEP

Realizó su licenciatura en economía en el Tecnológico de Monterrey, Cuenta con estudios de maestría en administración pública y política pública en la Escuela de Graduados en Administración Pública y Política Pública, la Escuela de Gobierno John F. Kennedy de la Universidad de Harvard y en el Instituto de Política Pública de la Universidad de Georgetown. Se especializa en estudios del presupuesto y gasto público sectorial, análisis socioeconómicos, de incidencia y prospectivos. Colaboró en el Centro Estudios de las Finanzas Públicas de la Cámara de Diputados, en el Centro para el Desarrollo Regional y Nacional, y como profesora auxiliar de métodos cuantitativos y econometría en el Tecnológico de Monterrey. **Actualmente dirige el área de gasto público y el fortalecimiento institucional en el CIEP.**

CONOCE A LOS JUECES DEL #EXPLORADATOS



JUAN MANUEL CASANUEVA
DIRECTOR
SOCIALTIC

Investigador y promotor de proyectos de TIC para el Desarrollo de Acción Social.

Es fundador de la ONG SocialTic A.C. dedicada al habilitamiento de actores de cambio a través del uso estratégico de la tecnología digital y la información.

Con SocialTic, ha co-impulsado los procesos de Gobierno Abierto (ACA) y Parlamento Abierto en México así como las comunidades de Escuela de Datos y Desarrollando América Latina.

CONOCE A LOS JUECES DEL #EXPLORADATOS



JUAN PABLO GUERRERO
DIRECTOR
GIFT

Es desde 2014 el Director de la Iniciativa Global para la Transparencia Fiscal, red internacional multisectorial que ayuda al avance en transparencia presupuestaria, participación y rendición de cuentas en varios países y a nivel global. Fue comisionado fundador del Instituto Federal de Acceso a la Información y Protección de Datos de México (2002-08) donde también fue Secretario General (2013-14). Estuvo a cargo del Programa de Aoyo Técnico a Gobiernos en Transparencia Presupuestaria del International Budget Partnership (2009-2013). Entre 1994 y 2003 fue profesor universitario en el Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE) en la ciudad de México, con áreas de especialidad en rendición de cuentas, combate a corrupción y transparencia presupuestaria. Inició su carrera como reportero y corresponsal de medios informativos en Washington y París, donde hizo estudios de maestría y doctorado en políticas públicas. (ISAS-Universidad Johns Hopkins y Sciences Po).

CONOCE A LOS JUECES DEL #EXPLORADATOS



ARIADNA DÍAZ CASTILLO
DIRECTORA
SHCP

Economista por la Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México y por The University of York en el Reino Unido. Se especializa en diseño, planeación, seguimiento y evaluación del desempeño de políticas públicas. Ha colaborado en la Dirección General de Evaluación y Monitoreo de la Sesión, en la Dirección General de Seguimiento y Evaluación de Sesión y en el Instituto Beltrario Domínguez del Senado de la República. Adicionalmente se ha desempeñado como asistente de investigación en el Centro de Modelística y Pronósticos Económicos de la UAM, así como investigadora y consultora en distintos proyectos de evaluación, seguimiento y planeación estratégica de políticas públicas con consultorías privadas y con el Banco Mundial. **Actualmente se encuentra a cargo de la unidad de Transparencia Presupuestaria de la SHCP.**

CONOCE A LOS JUECES DEL #EXPLORADATOS



HAYDEÉ PEREZ GARRIDO
DIRECTORA EJECUTIVA
fundar

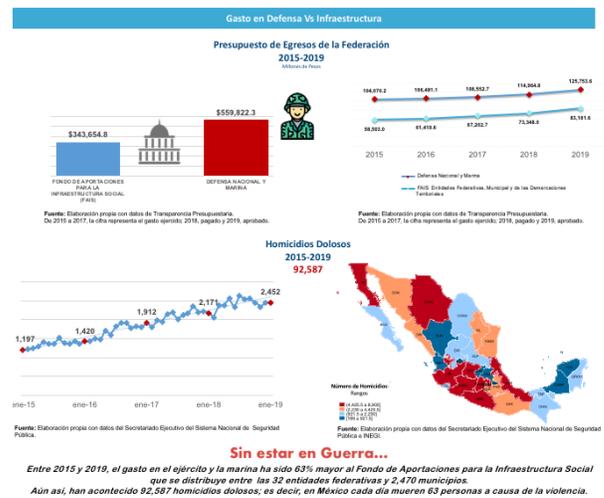
Internacionalista con estudios de posgrado en Derechos Humanos y Democracia por la Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO). Colaboró como investigadora en el Programa Interdisciplinario de Estudios de la Mujer en El Colegio de México (co.mex). Fue coordinadora de transparencia y rendición de cuentas de nubes y durante dos años representante de las organizaciones de la sociedad civil en la Alianza para el Gobierno Abierto (AGA) en México. Es autora de diversos artículos y ensayos sobre acceso a la información, rendición de cuentas, participación ciudadana y gobierno abierto. **Actualmente es Directora Ejecutiva de Fundar, Centro de Análisis e Investigación.**

Local invitation:



- Results of the event:** The event was led mainly by the CIEP, organization that in the two previous years participated in the #DataOnTheStreets Rally. This shows that this type of activities of public participation generates that the community that seeks to improve the use of data grows and with it the population with the capacity to analyze budgetary data.

For the event 38 people were registered and 13 projects were presented. The winning team conducted an analysis of security spending and reflects on the tendencies of intentional homicides. The project also made a comparison of the social spending of federal contributions to subnational governments, indicating that defense spending increase exceeds social spending's.



• **Mexico City**

GIFT's focus is geared towards national governments, so the call was oriented in this direction. However, the Government of Mexico City, through the Digital Agency for Public Innovation decided to join the Rally. This is the first case of a subnational government that launches a call of this type.

- **Type of event:** #DataOnTheStreets Rally
- **Co-conveners:**
 - **Government:** Digital Agency of Public Innovation of the Government of Mexico City
 - **Civil society:** SocialTic and Supercívicos
- **Mechanism of the event:** The participants went out to verify in situ the public works done by the government of Mexico City. Over the course of two weeks, participants used the government's open data and geo-referenced platforms to visit public works and document their findings on social media through photos, videos, infographics and data analysis. The participants had the possibility of making reports of negative findings in the works through Locatel, the universal service point for Mexico City, receiving a folio to follow up on their report as shown in the images below, also in this call center users could receive guidance on participation.



At the end of the period of visits, the conveners made the count of points, according to the operating rules, by number of visits, interactions, data analysis and creativity in the publication. With this, the jury rated the ten teams with the highest score in terms of creativity, data analysis and dissemination strategy.

Local invitation:

¿Cómo me inscribo?
del 7 al 24 de febrero de 2019

Puedes participar de manera individual o en equipos de hasta 3 personas.

Hay dos formas de inscribirte:

1. Utilizando la app Supercívicos, reportando en la Misión "¿Cómo van las obras en la CDMX?" https://www.supercivicosapp.com/
2. Llenando tu formato de inscripción: http://bit.ly/inscripcionRally

#RallyCDMX
¿Cómo van las obras?
iParticipa!

#RallyCDMX
¿Cómo van las obras?
iParticipa!

Se puede tener un máximo de 180 puntos

1. Visitando obras del 7 al 28 de febrero
 - 5 puntos por obra (máximo 20 obras por participante o equipo. Máximo puntaje = 100)
 - Puntaje tu reporte a través de la Misión "¿Cómo van las obras en la CDMX?" en la app de los supercívicos o a través de la red social que registras en tu inscripción utilizando el hashtag #RallyCDMX.
2. Haciendo comunidad
 - 2 puntos por obra (máximo 10 obras por participante o equipo. Máximo puntaje = 40)
 - Se dan 2 puntos adicionales por proyecto a las participantes que muestren a través de fotografías o videos cómo involucraron en la actividad a las personas beneficiarias o vecinas de manera presencial.

¿Cómo gano puntos?

1. Incluir el nombre y la foto del proyecto, así como los nombres de los participantes y vecinos de la zona, detallando, comparando los datos públicos con lo que se ve en la realidad.

2. Usar el hashtag #RallyCDMX y @municipioCDMX a través de la app de los supercívicos o a través de la red social que registras en tu inscripción utilizando el hashtag #RallyCDMX.

3. Tu equipo debe tener carácter digital y contribuir al mismo directorio de esta feria.

4. Cada equipo que visitó obras como una red, independientemente de los posts o reportes sobre el mismo.

#RallyCDMX
¿Cómo van las obras?
iParticipa!

Se puede tener un máximo de 180 puntos

3. Analizando
 - Participantes que publiquen análisis adicionales recibirán 20 puntos. (Máximo puntaje = 20)
 - Los participantes podrán obtener puntos extra por vincular en sus análisis otros datos como: demográficos, tasas de contratos, seguridad, impacto de las obras, etcétera.
4. Recibiendo retroalimentación
 - Un jurado de 3 expertos elegirá a 5 equipos (por categoría) para otorgarles los siguientes puntos adicionales:
 - 10 puntos por el uso de los datos
 - 5 puntos estrategia de difusión e impacto de sus publicaciones
 - 5 puntos por creatividad.
 - Máximo puntaje 300
 - 10 días de avance al primer premio.

¿Cómo gano puntos?

Results of the event: In the event 169 people were registered who visited a total of 64 public works in 11 of the 16 municipalities. Below are some examples of participations:

Photos	Infographics	Videos and interviews
<p>Cristopher @EbuenaCria</p> <p>#RallyCDMX Red de drenaje en calle Vicente Guerrero, colonia La concepción (Folio: DIF17170400983721), del año 2018 con un presupuesto ejercido de \$690,829 @locatel_mx (me consta que sí, porque hicieron un montón de tráfico)</p> <p>3:08 AM - Feb 25, 2019 - Twitter for Android</p>	<p>Arke @arkemetria</p> <p>#RallyCDMX Hoy iremos a la cancha de fútbol de pilares para ver cómo se usó el PRESUPUESTO PÚBLICO @locatel_mx</p> <p>9:09 PM - Feb 19, 2019 - Twitter Web Client</p>	<p>Lestly Oviedo is with Beto Oviedo.</p> <p>February 25</p> <p>El equipo @bepostata dentro del #RallyCDMX fue a verificar el avance de la obra HDIF-16104000817307 - Construcción De Pistas De Tartán en la delegación BJ. Encontramos que la obra se concluyó al 100% ejecutando \$19.1 mdp de \$19.4 mdp que tenían disponibles en 2018. El proyecto nombra distintas pistas de tartán, pero no dan ubicación exacta, así que no se sabe en cuántas pistas se invirtió ese dinero. Se vincula a este proyecto un mismo contrato DBA-LP-024-16 con vigencia de diciembre de 2016 a diciembre de 2017 por \$19 mdp, Locatel Ciudad de México</p> <p>3 Comentarios 7 Shares</p>

It is important to note that, despite the high perception of corruption in Mexico, most of the publications report that the findings are positive, indicating that it is observed that they will be beneficial for the community. As in the case of the other rallies, it is still observed that the most constant complaint of the participants is about the inconsistencies of the data due to the lack of progress report by those in charge of the constructions. However, in some cases it is reported that the works are not under construction or that the goods reported as delivered to the population of some community are not recognized by the alleged beneficiaries.

Examples of participant reports

Cristopher
@ElbuenCris

#RallyCDMX Techado en patio del jardín de niños Contreras, colonia La Concepción (Folio: DIF18180201089587), del 2018, con presupuesto aprobado de \$419,183. El techo sí está, aunque la info. dice: cero avances @locatel_mx

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3:11 AM · Feb 25, 2019 · Twitter for Android

Arke arkemetrica social
@arkemetrica

#RallyCDMX Según los #DatosEnLaCalle se benefició a esta casa con el proyecto de tinacos en la colonia roma sur (DIF18180201090597). Los vecinos comentan que no recibieron nada @locatel_mx

Translate Tweet



10:40 PM · Feb 26, 2019 · Hootsuite Inc.

• **South Africa**

- **Event type:** Better Budget Dataquest for Sustainable Development
- **Co-conveners:**
 - **Government:** National Treasury (GIFT Steward), North Cape Treasure, Department of Economic Development and Tourism of the North Cape
 - **Civil society:** Imali Yethu - coalition of civil society organizations, including PSAM, which is a GIFT Steward - mLab, OpenUp and Geekulcha
 - **Academy:** Sol Plaatje University
- **Event mechanism:** The event was held in the North Cape along three days, the first oriented to talks and training for civil society organizations and the following days to an Dataquest in which the teams worked for 24 consecutive hours in their projects. Although the organizers used the general rules for the Dataquest provided by GIFT, the projects were oriented to the development of web applications that sought to solve the problems detected by the data analysis. At the end, the jury, made up of representatives of the various local co-convenor organizations, listened to each of the teams and, based on the questions proposed in the rules, assessed each of the projects.

BEYOND TRANSPARENCY

vulekamali
SA Online Budget Data

Judging and Judges

The panel of judges will judge both onsite and virtual solutions. Judges will have time to ask questions. The panel consists of a representative from:

- National Treasury
- Imali Yethu
- Northern Cape Provincial Treasury
- Department of Economic Development and Tourism
- Sol Plaatje University

national treasury
Department: National Treasury
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

GIFT
GLOBAL INITIATIVE FOR FISCAL TRANSPARENCY

IMALI YETHU
CIVIL SOCIETY COALITION FOR OPEN BUDGETS

Within some relevant aspects of the organization of the activity, it is worth noting that there was the possibility of participating online through a live blog in which project progress could be uploaded, as well as live transmission through Facebook Live (as can be seen in these links: [initial talks](#) and explanation of [live blogging](#)). This allowed participation to exist regardless of the location of the physical event



• **Local invitation**

We are looking for Storytellers + Influencers + Number Crunchers

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to improve the budget

vulekamali SA Online Budget Data GIFT

It's time for you to be a SOUTH AFRICAN data scientist influencer

Join us on 1-2 March at Sol Plaatje University

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Open Data Day - Better Budget Dataquest

#BetterBudgetSA | 01 - 02 March 2019 | Sol Plaatje University

"Better Budgets for Sustainable Development"

national treasury GIFT CIVIL SOCIETY

Invitation Event 1

CSOBUDGET TRAINING

VENUE	DATE	TIME
mt.aly, Galeshewe SMMI-Village, Cnr Tiyala & Hulana Str. Galeshewe 8345	28 February 2019	09:00 to 16:00

The focus of the training will be as follows:
Demonstration of vulekamali | Practical usage of vulekamali | Budget importance to CSOs

Visit our portal www.vulekamali.gov.za

vulekamali SA Online Budget Data GIFT

Invitation Event 3

BETTER BUDGETS DATA QUEST FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

#BETTERBUDGETSA

VENUE	DATE	TIME
1st Floor, Luka Jantjie House Chapel Street, Kimberley	1/2 March 2019	17:00 to 17:00

What is in it for you?
A winner will be chosen in each of the following (onsite and online):

- Best Story Telling
- Enriching Data
- Best Visual Solution

Enter online by following @vulekamali @FiscalTrans #mail_yethu

Visit our portal www.vulekamali.gov.za

vulekamali SA Online Budget Data GIFT

- **Results of the event:** For the Dataquest 65 people were registered, which were divided into 7 teams that presented the same number of projects. The participants worked during 24 hours in the analysis of the information contained in Vulekamali, posing a problem and developing solutions. Due to the focus of the organizers and the profiles, the projects were oriented to the development of technological solutions for a public problem as it would

happen in a Hackathon. Because there was a live broadcast of the presentation of projects, all can be viewed in the following link: <https://www.facebook.com/vulekamali/videos/643689366049202/>



While this was a longer event than in the cases of the other countries, due to the focus on developing technological solutions, by devoting less time to the analysis of budget data, in most cases the findings were superficial. With this base, the technological developments presented a disconnection between the data analysis and the solution proposed for the problem, additionally they showed little consideration of the attributions between different levels of government. As a result of the event, the approach of budgetary data open to a larger community can be considered, as well as the development of technological skills of the participants.



The winning team focused on developing a website to provide information about how the health sector budget is distributed and to obtain information on patients to receive the service from the Northern Cape health services.



• **Uruguay**

- **Type of event:** Better Budget Dataquest for Sustainable Development
- **Co-conveners:**
 - **Government:** Office of Planning and Budget of the Presidency (OPP, GIFT Steward), E-Government Agency and Information
 - **Civil society:** DataUY

• **Mechanism of the event:** The event was held in accordance with the preset general operating rules, in which the conveners invited the participants to form teams of maximum five people with data analysts, journalists and communicators to analyze the expenditure data and document his findings through a multimedia piece, the beginning of a research work or another similar way. The call, unlike what happened in the rest of the cases, was made by the OPP directly to journalists, interested organizations and some public officials from other ministries.

The first section of the event was devoted to talks on the framework of the Exploration of data, fiscal transparency and open data, as well as specialized conferences on the budget cycle and the structure of public spending. Additionally, during this section, the OPP presented the open data of an initial exercise on linking the budget with the Sustainable Development Goals, compiled ex profeso for the data exploration exercise.

The second part of the event was dedicated to the exploration of data by teams and finally the presentation of results. The jury was made up of representatives from the OPP, DataUY, Uruguay Open Government Network and GIFT.

- **Local invitation:**



- **Results of the event:** This was the first time that the OPP held an event of this nature in which the public was invited to analyze the expenditure. Their experience will give rise to the fact that in the future more citizen participation exercises can be carried out.

During the event, five teams participated, which focused on the issues of inequality, environment and gender equity. The winning team presented the project "Investment for the end of poverty in irregular settlements



near water courses". It analyzed spending trends to regularize settlements near water sources that usually have a certain degree of contamination. Among their conclusions, they identified that in the analyzed period of 7 years, despite the spending destined to improve water quality and housing conditions, irregular settlements continue to increase, so based on the analysis they suggest to evaluate the geographical distribution of the Spending on housing policies, in addition to the available data, highlighted the lack of expenditure disaggregation at the departmental or municipal level.

Additionally, other interesting projects were presented. In particular, the project "Your life is worth 8 kilos and a half of Yerba" (allusive to the yerba mate, the national tea) in which the data of denunciations by gender violence was analyzed with respect to the expenditure in the budgetary program of "Anklets", dedicated to addressing situations of gender violence with restraining orders by applying anklets that prevent the aggressor from approaching the victim. The team originally sought to analyze public spending with a gender perspective, however, one of the findings is that what has been



implemented as a gender budget in Uruguay does not really allow estimating it. The project concluded by identifying that the State does not really know how much money it is allocating to gender equality policies.

IV. Global winners

According to the general rules, GIFT would analyze the first place of each country and would name the global winning teams.

- **#DataOnTheStreets Rally**

For the Rally there were three competing winners representing the first place of Chile, Mexico and Mexico City, considering that Colombia did not determine a winner. After reviewing the points awarded by each of the local conveners, the winners were: Ismael Araya Lira (participating individually), from Chile and Team Leonés, from the national Rally of Mexico.



- **Better Budget Dataquest**

To define the Global winners of the Better Budget Dataquest, GIFT retrieved the points awarded by the local judges of the Dataquests, as well as the projects presented by each of the first place teams of Argentina, Indonesia, Mexico, Uruguay and South Africa, considering that the events in Colombia and Costa Rica were not designed to define winners. After analyzing the information received, the teams of Indonesia, Pou’s Fund Team, that analyzed the budget for mitigation of the effects of natural disasters; Uruguay, Inequality and Environment project, which analyzed housing policies close to water courses that are prone to the effects of national disasters; and the FamSanGar team of Mexico, that analyzed defense allocations and social spending.



Each of the projects is described in each country section.

V. General results of the events on the International Open Data Day

As can be seen from the experiences by country, each of the events had its particular characteristics depending on the focus of the conveners and the context of the country. However, during the weeks of the event it was possible to reach more than 1,300 people (1,011 in the Rally and more than 317 in the Dataquest) in 8 countries on 3 continents. With these activities the population reviewed 447 public construction works in the 3 countries where the #DataOnTheStreets Rally was held and governments received proposals to improve the impact of public resources with a focus on sustainable development.

Among the outstanding results, the Rally continued to encourage the population to use budget, public works and procurement open data to monitor public investment. It is noteworthy that in most of the publications, users indicate a coincidence between the data and the investments implemented, as well as positive effects derived from them, which, unlike tools solely oriented to the reporting of irregularities, supports improving communication between government and society. In the specific case of Chile, it even allows improving communication between government, society and the private sector. However, it also allowed detecting irregularities, if any, and channeling them to the corresponding authorities.

Regarding the particular aspects of Dataquest, there was a growing interest of users in linking the budget and its non-financial performance beyond the execution of resources. This is significant because it implies that the results generated can lead to more specific observations that allow improving the design of government programs and the structure of spending. It also promotes the need to strengthen the discussion on open data to cover not only the budget and spending, but also its non-financial indicators, goals and progress.

In both types of activities, the need to improve the publication of government data was palpable. In some cases, this only reaches the aspect of its format and publication, as in the case of the updating of the georeferenced maps of public works to new technologies and for consultation in mobile devices (case of Chile and Mexico) or the implementation of open data. (case of Costa Rica). However, in some cases it implies deeper changes, such as the improvement of gender budgets (case of Uruguay and Colombia), reinforcement of the reporting process and monitoring of government investment projects (case of Chile and Mexico), progress in the implementation of performance evaluation and results based budget (Argentina, Uruguay and South Africa).

Finally, as a reflection on the role of GIFT so that these activities were carried out in a coordinated way at the international level, the local conveners had the opportunity to work together based on the previous experiences of some of them. It should be noted that only three of the eight convener countries had previously carried out activities of this nature, and in two of them the previous activity was the #DataOnTheStreets Rally convened by GIFT in 2018. In this sense, it is observed that for the local conveners it is an incentive to have the support of the previous experience of other peers and the opportunity to communicate and create together.