

Stewards General Meeting (SGM) 2023

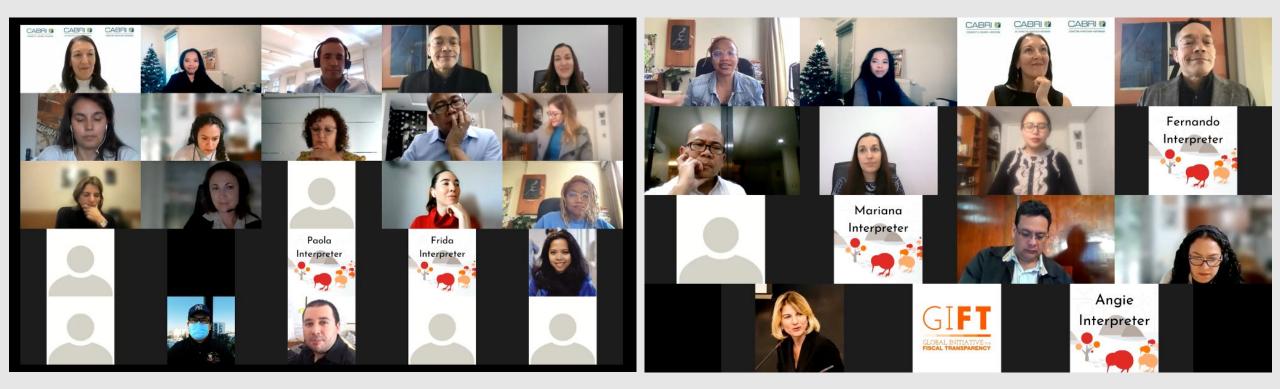
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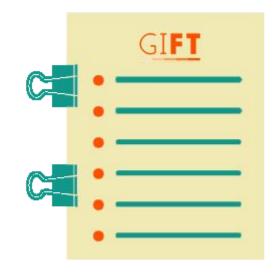
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November 29, 2023 | Wednesday | 8:00 – 9:30 AM EST via Zoom Teleconference

House Rules

- EN, ES, FR interpretation is available for ALL the SGM 2023 sessions. Select the interpretation language by clicking on the interpretation icon at the bottom of the screen.
- Rename yourself using your name and organization. Name + Surname, Name of your organization. (Example: Juan Pablo Guerrero, GIFT)
- If you are joining by phone, identify yourself to the Host so they can change your screen name.
- Please have your video ON as much as possible (unless there are connection issues).
- Mute your microphone when you are not speaking.
- If possible, use headphones.
- When presenting, speak slowly to facilitate the language interpretation.
- Please use the "Reactions" button to raise your hand whenever you want to speak to the group.
- You can also use the chat to ask questions and make comments
- Please be advised that all sessions will be recorded for documentation purposes.

Objectives



- Provide GIFT Stewards with an overview of the network's workplan updates and programmatic outlook for the 2023-24 period
- Discuss GIFT's leadership transition and next steps

Our Mission

GIFT is an action-network established in 2011 to achieve sustained, measurable improvements in fiscal transparency, accountability and inclusive participation by advancing global norms, peer-learning, collaborative capacity building and promoting the use of digital tools.



The GIFT Network

26 Governments

Brazil (Min Economy), Philippines (DBM), Mexico (SHCP) +23 budget government agencies and local governments

19 Civil society organizations

IBP, Fundar, ILDA, CBPP, Inesc, ICEFI, ACIJ, Fiscal Observatory, Seknas, IFP, Funde, PSAM, Emerging M, NHCDR, Social Watch, Solidaridad, Innovaap, CIEP, EF



GIFT Lead Stewards

(Operating Procedures + functioning as an IBP program)





"..housed within the International Budget Partnership, GIFT connects primary international actors with other networks, champion governments, civil society organizations, investors, specialists and technical assistance providers."

- p.1, GIFT Operating Procedures (2018)

GIFT's contribution to PFM



Promoting fiscal transparency and public participation accepted as a central element of of PFM systems



GIFT as a source of peer pressure, inspiration & innovation, driving change and supporting sustainability of reforms



More harmonized global architecture for fiscal transparency and public participation (based on GIFT principles)



From information disclosure to dialogue on fiscal transparency, ensuring ownership by key stakeholders



Piloting innovations and serving as launchpad for translating norms into practical applications, with potential for scaling up successful initiatives

2023-24 GIFT workplan, programmatic and financial outlook



Advancing transparency and public participation in fiscal policies



Capacity building for more effective and inclusive use of public resources (Increasing and improving knowledge exchange)



Consolidating GIFT as a cohesive action network

Advancing transparency and public participation in fiscal policies



a) <u>Public participation mechanisms</u>

- FOA project: public participation in budget processes for the first time in PFM history of Benin, Liberia, Nigeria, Senegal, and South Africa
- New projects: Liberia, Cote d'Ivoire, Guatemala, El Salvador
- *b)* Fiscal transparency innovative approaches for inclusive budgets and development
- Partnership with UNICEF Egypt in providing support to the ministries of finance and planning with a special focus on children and youth



Increasing and improving knowledge exchange



Advancing Fiscal Transparency for Development online course:

- Course completion incentives
- Launch in Spanish in 2024
- Launch in Arabic in 2025



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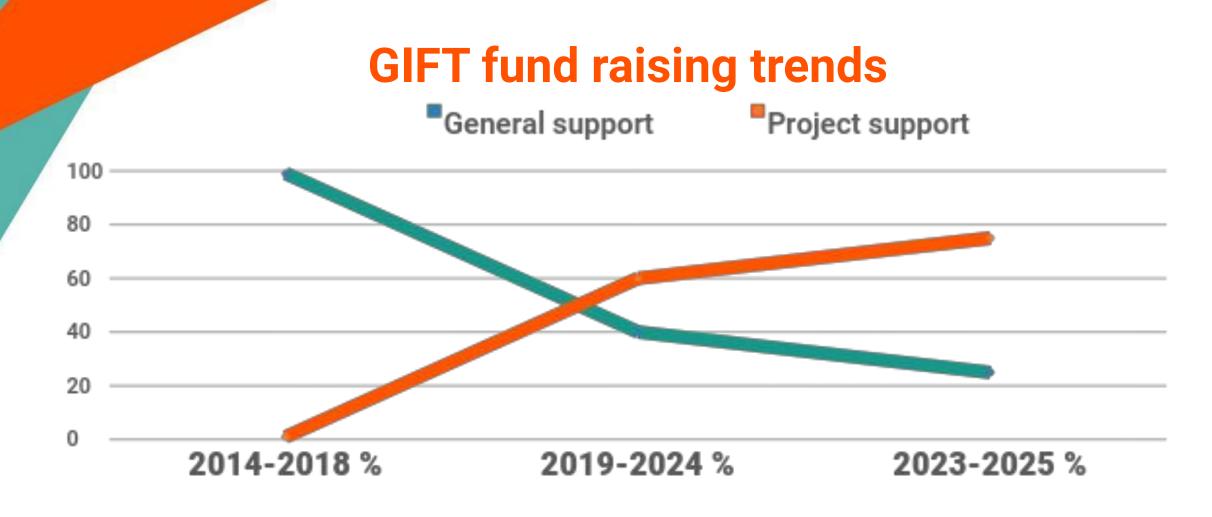


In 2023-24, GIFT will seek to consolidate the network's current membership of 58 stewards, including four local governments.

Countries expressing interest: Cote d'Ivoire, Senegal, Ecuador

GIFT fund raising model

- 1. General funding for core activities
- 2. Specific project funding for working at country level
- 3. Collaborative projects for specific fiscal transparency and public participation related deliverables (WB, UNICEF, etc)



Type of funding	2014-2024 %	2014-2018 %	2019-2024 %	2023-2025 %
General support	68	99	40	25
Project support	32	1	60	75

GIFT financial outlook

Institution	2023 Budget	2024 Budget	2025 Budget
Hewlett Foundation – Core		210,000	20,000
funding	270,000		
World Bank – Mongolia	20,000	-	-
US DOS – Online course	70,000	140,000	110,000
UNICEF – Egypt	90,000	46,000	-
Europe		75,000	-
Foundation-Georgia	30,000		
DAI – Guatemala	140,000	-	-
DAI – Liberia	50,000	80,000	-
EU-GIZ (El Salvador)	100,000	250,000	150,000
Other sources (Cote		50,000	-
d'Ivoire-Fundapi)	50,000		
TOTAL	820,000	851,000	280,000

GIFT's leadership transition

GLOBAL INITIATIVE

- GIFT director's tenure extended until 2023 to facilitate the adaptation to IBP's leadership transition (+strategic planning process). The Network Director's departure is confirmed for December 14, 2023.
 - A new director will be onboarded once there is clarity on the longer-term IBP-GIFT relationship.
 - GIFT Coordination <u>Team</u> is well positioned to generate the necessary activities, actions and deliverables in 2024 to fulfill the IBP's contractual commitments.

IBP's process + GIFT's leadership



• GIFT lead stewards briefed on IBP's strategic planning process in July 2023



 Lead stewards expressed their strong interest in preserving a well-established, long-term relationship between GIFT, IBP and the lead stewards

GIFT's leadership transition



- GIFT will continue its current work / operations while IBP undergoes its strategic planning process
- In 2024, lead steward discussions will continue on ways to ensure sustainability of the GIFT network

OPEN DISCUSSION

Any questions / thoughts?



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