



## Strengthening of capacities of developing countries to provide Access to Information for Sustainable Development through Open Government Data

FACT SHEET	
<b>Duration:</b>	June 2014 - December 2017
<b>Direct Beneficiary Countries:</b>	Bangladesh, Nepal, Panama and Uruguay
<b>Regional Partnering Countries:</b>	LAC: Brazil, Chile, Dominican Republic, Colombia, Argentina, Peru Asia: India, Mongolia, Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia, Philippines, Viet Nam
<b>Executing Entity:</b>	UN DESA Division for Public Administration and Development Management
<b>Co-operating Agencies within the UN System:</b>	ECLAC, ESCAP UNDP respective Country offices, World Bank Group
<b>Objective:</b>	To strengthen the capacities of target countries' governments to use open government data for advancing transparency, accountability and sustainable development, in select countries in Latin America and East Asia
<b>Expected Accomplishments</b>	EA 1: Increased capacity of senior government officials to formulate policies on OGD development, in consultation with relevant civil society stakeholders EA 2: Enhanced technical capacity of governments in target countries to develop and sustain OGD platforms and applications that utilize government data, in accordance with established policy frameworks
<b>Brief Description:</b>	<p>The project aims at assisting the countries with the development of a policy framework and understanding the demands of technical infrastructure for implementation of OGD initiatives, particularly in thematic areas relevant to the achievement of internationally agreed development goals, including MDGs.</p> <p>It will strive to strengthen the open data community within selected countries. The target beneficiaries include, but are not limited to government officials responsible for data coordination in the country such as Chief Information Officers (or equivalent), Information Privacy Commissioners, Procurement Divisions, and relevant government officials from ministries and institutions responsible for selected policies (e.g. Ministries of Planning). Indirect beneficiaries include citizens and communities at large.</p> <p>The project will also stimulate a south-south knowledge transfer and cross-fertilization of OGD by bringing together OGD-beginners with more OGD-advanced countries.</p>
<b>Activities at Country Level Include:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ National Capacity Building workshop on OGD sensitization, gap assessment and strategic planning</li> <li>✓ National Substantive training on key topics for OGD success</li> <li>✓ Regional workshops on the OGD Implementation Action Plans</li> <li>✓ International knowledge-sharing event</li> <li>✓ Study tour(s) to countries in the region that have operational OGD action plans</li> </ul>