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New Frontiers in Open Budgets

**Bolstering Participation for Accountable
Outcomes**

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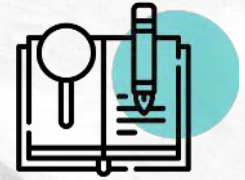
- **Promoting civil society spaces within the SAI**
 - Participatory planning
 - Open to civil society (broad sense) participation
 - Feedback from SAI to proposals
 - Participatory dissemination
 - SAI includes CSOs in the publicity of the audits
 - Working with a coalition
 - Including CSOs that were not familiar with the work of the SAI, promoting participation

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- Promoting civil society participation within the audited institution
 - Right to health (Chagas case)
 - Working with a coalition of diverse actors (key to involve affected people and experts on the different areas of this issue)
 - Promoting SAI recommendations within Ministry of Health, Congress' Health Commissions, Budget allocation

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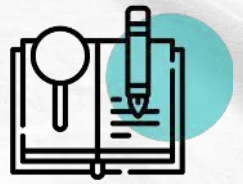
- **OGP - 4th open government plan (2019-2022)**
 - Agreement between SAI and CSOs
 - Diagnosis: there is a limitation for the SAI, civil society (in broad sense) and decision makers to follow up on the audit recommendations
 - Information
 - Publicity
 - Universe of audits

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- **OGP - 4th open government plan (2019-2022)**
 - Plan: creation and implementation of a Follow-up mechanism
 - Audit training for CSOs: intention to promote the mechanism not to limit participation
 - Creation of a methodology to evaluate the audit implementation (currently in this stage)
 - Implementation of an interactive website to guarantee easy access and publicity

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- **Budget - Promoting audit recommendations**

- Transparency and easy access
 - Request the Executive to give publicity to the budget law draft
 - Participation on the Open Budget Survey
 - Budget monitor
- Budget analysis:
 - Involving experts on the issue, training other allies, policy papers for decision makers and CSOs
- Advocacy: Congress and the Executive Power

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- Key question: how SAIs can bolster participation?

Active role

- Since, CSOs are active on using the SAI's resources, there is a passive role from the institution → it is necessary to shift the responsibility to promote these spaces
- Using all of the legally granted opportunities for CSOs participation: still resistance to grant participation during the audit process (Open Budget Survey)

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Active role

- Give audits a rights based approach (SDGs and more)
→ connect audit recommendations with concrete impacts
- When possible, collaborate with CSOs in their initiatives outside the SAI

Thank you!



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