ABOUT THE TAP NETWORK

- Informal coalition of 183 experts from 115 Civil Society Organizations in 34 countries
  - ≈ 40% of Organizations from Global South
- TAP Network Secretariat based in New York
- Secretariat and activities funded by Open Society Foundations, Hewlett Foundation and Omidyar Network
- First mobilized around the Open Working Group on SDGs as coalition of CSOs supporting inclusion of a standalone goal on Governance

TAP Network Mission Statement

The Transparency, Accountability & Participation (TAP) Network is a broad network of CSOs that works to ensure that open, inclusive, accountable and effective governance is at the heart of any sustainable development agenda, and that civil society are recognized and mobilized as indispensable partners in the design, implementation of and accountability for sustainable development policies, at all levels.

The TAP Network is united in the belief that open, inclusive, accountable and effective governance – framed by notions of rule-of-law and the TAP principles of transparency, accountability, citizen participation, and respect for human rights – is both an outcome and an enabler of sustainable and equitable development.

TAP’s work also reflects the will and impetus of the millions of citizens from around the world who voted for ‘an honest and responsive government’ as one of their top priorities in the My World survey – a theme echoed in consultations with people around the world.

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TAP NETWORK ON POST-2015 GOVERNANCE

Making Goal 16 Transformative: Governance Indicators in a Post-2015 World

Events
- Event on “Making Goal 16 Transformative: Governance Indicators in a Post-2015 World”
  - Co-hosted with Government of Romania
- Interactive dialogue on multi-level review and monitoring of the Post-2015 Agenda
  - Co-hosted with Governments of Peru, France and Republic of Korea and Beyond 2015
- Series of events with UN Missions on Open Data and Financing for Development
  - Co-hosted with Government of the Netherlands

Policy Papers
- TAP Network Policy Paper on SDGs/Goal 16 Indicators
- TAP Network Policy Paper on Follow-up and Review & Accountability
- TAP Network Policy Paper on Financing for Development
- TAP Network Response to the Post-2015 “Zero Draft”

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**TAP NETWORK ORGANIZATIONS**

- Save the Children
- CIVICUS
- Oxfam
- Plan International
- Saferworld
- Transparency International
- International Budget Partnership
- Restless Development
- Article 19
- CARE International
- Development Initiatives
- International Rescue Committee
- IREX
- Namati
- ONE Campaign
- ... And More

**TAP Network Steering Committee:**

- Human Rights First Rwanda Association (HRFRA) - *Rwanda*
- International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) – *The Netherlands*
- National Campaign for Dalit Human Rights (NCDHR) - *India*
- Plan International – *United Kingdom*
- World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA) - *USA*

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The Transparency International Corruption Perceptions Index ranks countries and territories based on how corrupt their public sector is perceived to be. It is a composite index – a combination of polls – drawing on corruption-related data collected by a variety of reputable institutions. The index reflects the views of observers from around the world, including experts living and working in the countries and territories evaluated.

Transparency International’s Global Corruption Barometer is the largest world-wide public opinion survey on corruption. It addresses people’s direct experiences with bribery and details their views on corruption in the main institutions in their countries. Significantly, the Barometer also provides insights into how willing and ready people are to act to stop corruption.
The **DataShift** is a multi-stakeholder, demand-driven initiative that builds the capacity and confidence of civil society organisations to generate and use citizen-generated data to monitor development progress, demand accountability and campaign for transformative change. Ultimately, our vision is a world where people-powered accountability drives progress on sustainable development. Consultations on participatory governance are currently being piloted in four countries from the global south.
The **Open Budget Survey Tracker** allows citizens, civil society, media, and others to monitor in real time whether central governments are releasing the requisite information on how the government is managing public finances. Using data collected by independent civil society budget experts in the countries covered, the OBS Tracker monitors and reports on whether central governments are publishing, on time, the eight key budget documents required by international standards on budget transparency.

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The **Community Score Card (CSC)** approach can be used to facilitate good governance through promotion of participation, transparency, accountability and informed decision-making. The approach brings together community members, service providers, and local government to identify service utilization and provision challenges, and to mutually generate solutions, and work in partnership to implement and track the effectiveness of those solutions in an ongoing process of quality improvement.
FUTURE ACTIVITIES FOR TAP

- Development of online platform/clearinghouse for engagement of all stakeholders on measuring Governance, Peace and Security (SDG 16)
  - Platform to include information on:
    - Proposals on indicators (global, regional and national)
    - Data sources
    - Case Studies, Lessons Learned and Best Practices
  - All data and inputs disaggregated by thematic issue, geography, relevance, etc.
  - Provide governments, civil society experts, academics, practitioners and all relevant stakeholders with centralized and consolidated platform for information on these issues
  - Streamline and intensify our efforts to communicate the issues related to governance data and measurement

Now: Scoping phase, looking for additional substantive partners

- Support for CSOs interested in engaging in the work of the Praia City Group, but with limited capacity to participate
- Shift in focus to “follow-up and review” and accountability issues around Post-2015 agenda
- Ongoing support for work by all stakeholders to develop global, regional and national level indicators on governance issues

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