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The Principles of Open Government

Shared Principles of Open Government

› CITIZENS' RIGHTS

- We promote the right of citizens to have access to information and to participate in the development of public solutions and services.
- We offer information on matters during the early stages of decision-making to ensure that public opinion has a real influence on the final decisions.

› OPENNESS

- We allow access to information on government actions and to government data resources in an equal and fair manner. The information is easy to access and utilise.

› RESPONSIBILITY

- We ensure that citizens' views are taken into account at various stages of the decision-making and implementation processes.
- We offer information in advance on all the stages, goals and limitations related to the gauging of public opinion and citizen involvement.
- We ensure that the information we provide is accurate and up to date.

› EQUAL ACCESS

- We offer all citizens the opportunity to participate in the preparatory work and development of decision-making.
- We use both traditional methods and electronic channels for participation and the provision of information.

› SEAMLESS OPERATIONS

- We plan our operations in collaboration with various administrative authorities in order to avoid overlapping work and conflicting and fragmented operations.

› RESOURCES

- We strive to create an organisational culture based on open governance, ensuring that we possess sufficient expertise and resources to guarantee open decision-making using electronic and traditional channels.

› ASSESSMENT AND CONTINUOUS DEVELOPMENT

- We regularly assess the realisation of open government practices and use these assessment results in the planning of development measures. The extent to which we succeed in open governance is determined by whether citizens truly feel that their views have been taken into account in the decision-making process.

All of us in public administration take pride in performing our work in line with the principles of open government.