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9.30 - 10.15   **Opening remarks**

Room LES OUDAYAS

- Mr Mohammed Benabdelkader, Minister delegate to the Head of Government in charge of reform of the administration and civil service, Morocco
- Mr Marcos Bonturi, Director, Public Governance, OECD
- Mr Sanjay Pradhan, CEO, Open Government Partnership

10.15 - 11.15   **Ministerial Panel**

Room LES OUDAYAS

- Mr Mohamed Bachir Rachdi, President of the National Authority of Integrity, Prevention and the Fight against Corruption, Morocco

- Mr Omar Seghrouchni, President of the National Commission for the protection of private data and president of the National Commission for Access to Information, Morocco

- Ms May Chidiac, Minister of State for Administrative Reform, Lebanon

- Ms Safia Boly, Minister of Reform of the Administration and Transparency of Public Life, Mali

- Ms Meritxell Batet, Minister for Territorial Policy and Public Function, Spain

11.15 - 11.30   **Coffee break**

11.30 - 13.00   **Parallel session 1: Open government as a lever for inclusiveness**

Room LES OUDAYAS

Citizens around the world are demanding that their voices be heard and that governments respond to their needs. Open government, which puts citizens at the heart of public governance by making them a partner in the design, implementation and evaluation of public policies, is a response to these demands. By joining the Open Government Partnership and developing action plans in consultation with civil society and citizens, countries are putting in place an open government approach. What are the success factors for such a partnership with citizens? Which guidelines does the OECD Recommendation on Open Government provide?

Moderator:

- Ms Sarah Lamrani, Ministry of reform of the administration and civil service, Morocco

- **Participants:**

- Ms Cecile Le Guen, Datactivist France

- Mr Oumar El Foutiyou Ba, Secretary General, Ministry of Good Governance and Child Promotion, Senegal

- Mr Khaled Sellami, OGP Point of Contact, Director-General, E-Government Unit, Ministry of Civil Service, Modernisation of the Administration and Policies, Tunisia

- Mr Theophilous Chiviru, Open Government Partnership

11.30 - 13.00   **Parallel session 2:**
The role of access to information to promote transparency

Room WALILI

At a time when disinformation is circulating in social networks and citizens have less and less confidence in their governments and the media, access to information is crucial to rebuild citizens' trust. By allowing access to information of public administrations, a more effective public debate is possible. Access to information is additionally recognized as promoting transparency and participation and supporting the fight against corruption. However, enacting access to information laws is only a first step. How can a culture of openness be created within the public administration? What conditions and prerequisites are needed to guarantee this right? And what role can civil society play?

Moderator:

- Mr Jamal Salaheddine, Ministry of Reform of the Administration & Civil Service, Morocco

Participants:

- Mr Joel Salas Suárez, Commissioner, National Institute for Transparency, Access to Information and Personal Data Protection, Mexico
- Mr Adnène Lassoued, Vice-President, Access to Information Authority, Tunisia
- Mr Assaad Thebian, Director, Gherbal Initiative, Lebanon
- Ms Chantal Angoua, OGP Point of Contact, Technical Advisor, Ministry of Industry and Mines, Ivory Coast

13.00 - 14.30   **Lunch break**

14.30 - 17.00   **Parallel workshop 1: Access to information - how to prepare the public administration?**

Room LIXUS

The adoption of a law on the right of access to information leads to real change if the public administration is well prepared for its implementation. Which reforms and changes are therefore needed within the administration? How can a culture of openness within the whole administration be created? What role do civil society and access to information commissions play in preparing the administration? What is the role of information officers?

Moderator :

- Rita Stephan, Program Director, Middle East Partnership Initiative, United States

Participants:

- Mr Hatim Mouradi, Ministry of reform of the administration and civil service, Morocco
- Mr Ghassan Moukheiber, Lebanon
- Mr Saad Filali Meknassi, access to information expert
- Mr Lech Marcinkowski, SIGMA, OECD
- Ms Ena'am Yousef Mutawe, Director of Public Relations and Media, Secretary of Information Council, Jordan
- Mr Adnène Lassoued, Vice-President, Access to Information Authority, Tunisia
- Mr Joel Salas Suárez, Commissioner, National Institute for Transparency, Access to Information and Personal Data Protection, Mexico

14.30 - 17.00 **Parallel workshop 2:**
The role of media for open government

Room CASABLANCA

This session aims to discuss how these actors can become partners in the promotion of open government, and how the media and social networks can facilitate dialogue with citizens.

Moderator :

- Ms Radia Lahlou, communication expert

Participants:

- Mr Khaled Sellami, OGP Point of Contact, Director-General, E-Government Unit, Ministry of Civil Service, Modernisation of the Administration and Policies, Tunisia
- Ms Julie Abrivard, CFI, French Agency for Media Development
- Mr Mohamed Leghtas, member of the platform for community radio, Morocco
- Mr Nidal Mansour, Executive President, Center for Defending Freedom of Journalists, Jordan
- Mr Manfred Redelfs, Netzwerk Recherche, Germany
- Mr Assaad Thebian, Director, Gherbal Initiative, Lebanon

14.30 - 17.00   **Parallel workshop 3:**
Open data, a lever for transparency and participation

Room MARRAKECH

The public administration holds a large amount of data; their publication would not only increase transparency and participation but could also create economic opportunities. The session will discuss success factors for implementing an open data policy.

Moderator:

- Mr. João Vasconcelos, Policy Analyst, Digital Government Unit, OECD

Participants:

- Ms Zineb Mahrez, ICT4Dev, Morocco

- Ms Nessryne Jelalia, President, Al Bawsala, Tunisia

- Ms Simone Orgel, re:publica

- Mr Mohamad Najem, President, SMEX, Lebanon

- Mr Justin Arenstein, founder CodeForAfrica

- Mr Arne Semsrott, Open Knowledge Foundation, Germany

- Ms Samia Chakri, Ministry of Reform of the Administration and Civil Service, Morocco

- Ms Kristen McGeeney, Senior Legal Advisor for the Middle East and North Africa at the International Center for Not-for-Profit Law

14.30 - 17.00   **Parallel workshop 4:**
The participation of civil society in the open government process

Room WALILI

What are the most appropriate mechanisms to engage civil society and youth in the design, implementation and evaluation of open government initiatives? How to ensure more inclusive participation?

Moderator :

- Tarik Nech-Nach, OECD Expert

  Participants:

- Ms Laetitia Grotti, Tafra, Morocco

- Ms Maureen Kariuki, Open Government Partnership

- Ms Chantal Angoua, OGP Point of Contact, Technical Advisor, Ministry of Industry and Mines, Ivory Coast

- Mr Oumar El Foutiyou Ba, Secretary General, Ministry of Good Governance and Child Promotion, Senegal

- Ms Cecile Le Guen, Datactivist France

- Mr Jacques Sosthène Dingara, Permanent Secretary for Modernization of Administration and Good Governance, Ministry of Public Service, Labor and Social Protection, Burkina Faso

17.00 - 17.30   **Presentation of conclusions & closing session**

Room LES OUDAYAS

- Mr Ahmed Laamoumri, Ministry of Reform of the Administration & Civil Service, Morocco
- Mr Alessandro Bellantoni, Head of the Open Government Unit, OECD
- Mr Theophilous Chiviru, Open Government Partnership

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