



# Initial assessment template

This initial evaluation aims to provide an assessment of the co-creation process as well as the quality of the design of the commitments at the outset. This evaluation should be completed within two (2) months of the submission of the action plan.

More information on the initial assessment can be found [in section 3.5.1 of the local OGP Handbook](#).

## General instructions

Complete each field and provide the necessary evidence to support your answers. Check Annex 5 of the [OGP Local Manual](#) and [the IRM-in-a-Box](#) for a detailed explanation of what is considered evidence for monitoring and evaluation purposes.

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## Section 1. Meeting co-creation requirements

### 11 Does a forum exist?

*It is a requirement that the Local OGP Process has a discussion forum. For further information, check [section 3.3.1. of the OGP Local Manual](#) and [section 3.1.1.1.1. of the IRM in a Box](#).*

*Quick tip: The discussion forum is a group represented by government, civil society and other stakeholders chosen through a fair and transparent process, with a clear mandate, membership and governance structure, which meets regularly to oversee the OGP process.*

Yes.



Briefly explain your answer:

There are actually three discussion forums in which the Third Open Government Plan was debated: City Social Council (CSC), responsible for reporting, studying and proposing in matters of municipal strategic planning, local economic development and major urban projects; Sectoral Council of Associations and other Citizen Entities (CSAYOEC), which advises the City Council on its competencies in the area of associations; and Sectoral Council for the Elderly (CSPM), dedicated to consulting and advising municipal organisations related to promoting the welfare and improving the quality of life of the elderly in the City.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), pp. 23-25.  
Link to information on [Social Council of the City](#), [Sectoral Council of Associations and other Citizen Entities](#) and [Sectoral Council of the Elderly](#).

**12 Is the forum multi-stakeholder?**

*The discussion forum is required to include governmental and non-governmental representatives. For more information, see [section 3.3.1 of the OGP Local Handbook](#) and [section 3.1.1.1 of the IRM in a Box](#).*

*Quick tip: Discussion forum is multi-stakeholder when the space allows for the participation of civil society or any other non-governmental stakeholder in the development of the action plan.*

Yes.

Briefly explain your answer:

CSC brings together representatives of the City Council, a multitude of social agents (trade unions, employers, universities, neighbourhood associations, etc.) and experts in various fields (economy, urbanism, social services, etc.).

CSAYOEC is made up of representatives of the municipal corporation, other administrations and institutions, political and municipal groups and grassroots associations, federations, confederations and unions of associations, among other groups.

CSPM is made up of representatives of associations, federations, confederations and unions of associations, registered in the register of citizens' organizations and declared to be of public utility, municipal, institutions linked to the council's own sector of activity; councils, boards or forums for participation, Boards of Directors of the municipal Centres for the Elderly and areas of Madrid City Council competent in matters that directly or indirectly affect policies for the elderly.



Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), pp. 23-25.

Link to information on [Social Council of the City](#), [Sectoral Council of Associations and other Citizen Entities](#) and [Sectoral Council of the Elderly](#).

**1.3. Does discussion forum hold at least one meeting with civil society and non-governmental stakeholders during the co-creation of the action plan?**

For more information, see [section 3.3.1. of the OGP Local Handbook](#) and [section 3.1.1.1. of the IRM in a Box](#).

Yes.

Briefly explain your answer:

CSC Technical Innovation Commission held a total of three meetings (10/06/2021, 03/15/2022 and 05/10/2022) and its Technical Bureau three (11/30/2021, 02/10/2022 and 05/05/2022) to discuss issues related to the Plan.

Three sessions were held in CSAYOEC to address it: one in its Technical Commission for Regulation and Coordination (03/24/2022) and two in its Permanent Commission (03/30/2022 and 06/07/2022).

CSPM met once, on 30th March 2022, supplemented by a questionnaire sent to its members on 4th April.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), pp. 23-25.

Link to the [sessions of the Innovation Technical Commission of the CSC](#), [those of CSAYOEC](#) and those of [CSPM](#).

**1.4. Has the action plan been endorsed by the stakeholders of the forum or steering group/committee?**

*Non-governmental stakeholders should endorse the final action plan. Check the list of endorsed persons in the Strategic Vision of the action plan. For more information, see [section 3.3.1 of the OGP Local Handbook](#) and [section 3.1.1.2 of the IRM in a Box](#).*

*Quick tip: You can conduct stakeholder interviews to verify whether stakeholders endorsed or approved the action plan prior to its submission to OGP.*



Yes.

Briefly explain your answer:

The Third Plan was approved in CSC, specifically at the meetings of the Technical Bureau on 5th May 2022 and the Technical Innovation Commission on 10th May 2022. In the case of CSAYOEC, it was submitted for approval at the meeting of 7th June 2022, receiving a favorable outcome with no objections. The remaining discussion forum played a consultative role in the process, specifically in relation to the content of one of the commitments.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), pp. 23-25.  
Link to the [sessions of the Innovation Technical Commission of CSC](#), [those of CSAYOEC](#) and those of [CSPM](#).





## Section 2. Best practices on co-creation

- 21 Does the government maintain a Local OGP website or a webpage on a government website where information on the Local OGP process (co-creation and implementation) is proactively posted?**

For more information, [see section 3.3.2 of the OGP Local Manual](#) and [section 3.1.2.1 of the IRM in a Box](#).

*Quick tip: You should determine that the website or webpage is available online and without barriers to access, that it includes information on the local OGP process and that information is published regularly, at least every four months.*

Yes.

Briefly explain your answer:

“Decide Madrid” is the City Council's online platform that seeks to promote and facilitate the direct and individual participation of citizens in municipal affairs, through the drafting of proposals, discussion threads generation and the evaluation and support of other people's proposals, among other participatory processes. The flow of information between 2022 and 2023 has generally been weekly, both in terms of public consultations and in the areas of proposals and citizen debate.

“Decide Madrid” includes information on the process of elaboration of Third Open Government Plan (consultation, approved plan and follow-up reports).

In addition, Madrid City Council has articulated an additional space to raise awareness of this local OGP process through the community of practice The Participatory Group.

Justify your answer:

[Link to the website of Decide Madrid platform.](#)

[Participatory Group website.](#)

- 22 Did the government provide information to stakeholders in advance to facilitate informed and prepared participation in the co-creation process?**

For more information, see [section 3.3.2 of the OGP Local Handbook](#) and [section 3.1.2.2 of the IRM in a Box](#).

*Quick tip: You should verify with evidence or through interviews whether, prior to the meeting(s), the government shared relevant information at least with government and civil society stakeholders who endorsed the action plan.*



Yes.

Briefly explain your answer:

It can be seen in the minutes of the different meetings of the forums that the Department of Citizen Participation had both sent documentation in advance for the treatment of its content during the sessions mentioned in *Section 1.3*, and made a presentation of it by the General Manager during the course of the sessions. In the process of reformulating some of the parts of the Third Plan, the same procedure was followed, except in CSPM, which dealt with the issue in its sessions in a single meeting in March 2022, prior to the first approval of the Plan and its subsequent reformulation.

On the other hand, the Decree calling for the citizen consultation via “Decide Madrid” was published 5 days before the meeting. The form was open from 28 March to 11 April 2022, with a 2,022 participants. The participation report would be sent and presented to CSC and CSAYOEC in advance of their respective meetings in May and June. It was also published on “Decide Madrid” in April of the same year.

Justify your answer:

Link to the [sessions of the Innovation Technical Commission of the CSC, those of CSAYOEC](#) and those of [CSPM](#).

[Decree of the Mayor convening the simplified public hearing.](#)

[Participation report of the process "Prior citizen consultation for the preparation of the Third Open Government Action Plan for the city of Madrid".](#)

[Link to the website of the Decide Madrid platform.](#)

**23 Did the government ensure that any interested member of the public could provide inputs to the action plan and observe or have access to decision-making documentation?**

For more information, see [section 3.3.2 of the OGP Local Handbook](#) and [section 3.1.2.3 of the IRM in a Box](#).

*Quick tip: It should assess whether the government created space for input from non-governmental stakeholders during co-creation or through public consultations held to gather input from civil society and citizens.*

Yes.



Briefly explain your answer:

In those sessions of the discussion forums where information on the Third Plan was presented, those attending had the opportunity to make observations and proposals on the content which, up to that point, had been developed by the CSC's Technical Innovation Commission.

In addition, as previously mentioned, a prior citizen consultation was organized via "Decide Madrid" to the drafting of the Third Open Government Action Plan for the city of Madrid, through which the citizens of Madrid were able to contribute to the general content and part of the more specific content (the five commitments initially proposed, for example) by responding to a questionnaire with 13 questions for debate, 6 of them with open answers. A total of 2,022 people took part.

A similar exercise was carried out with the members of CSPM, who were sent a questionnaire with a similar content and focused on the older population.

Justify your answer:

Link to the [sessions of the Innovation Technical Commission of CSC](#), those of [CSAYOEC](#) and those of [CSPM](#).

[Decree of the Mayor convening the simplified public hearing.](#)

[Participation report of the process "Prior citizen consultation for the preparation of the Third Open Government Action Plan for the city of Madrid".](#)

[Link to the website of "Decide Madrid" platform.](#)

- 24 Did the government proactively report back or provide written feedback to stakeholders on how their contributions were considered during the creation of the action plan?**

*For more information, see [section 3.3.2 of the OGP Local Handbook](#) and [section 3.1.2.4 of the IRM in a Box](#).*

*Quick tip: You should verify with evidence or stakeholder interviews whether the government informed stakeholders about how their input was taken into account during the creation of the action plan.*

Yes.



Briefly explain your answer:

The presentations by the Department of Citizen Participation in the records for CSC and CSAYOEC show that the status and progress of the Plan's drafting process were systematically communicated. Additionally, the Plan underwent various modifications as a result of debates in different forums, particularly in CSC, which had a greater level of prominence.

The results of the questionnaire sent to participants in the CSPM were reflected in the first version of the Third Open Government Plan (pp. 25-27), which was published in June 2022. Moreover, there were opportunities to address the results at meetings on September 30<sup>th</sup> and December 16<sup>th</sup> of the same year.

The Citizen Consultation and the publication of its results in April 2022 and subsequent presentation at meetings of CSC and CSAYOEC, should be understood as another form of feedback on the Plan's drafting process. This feedback came directly from citizens and was intended to inform the subsequent work of the forums. Similarly, a survey was conducted in January 2022 among 75 young people between the ages of 13 and 31 on the Plan's central themes, which was analyzed on pages 27-28. There was also a workshop organized with a group of experts in child participation from the Council of the City Council's child and adolescent care area.

In addition, it is worth highlighting that the Third Plan document integrates this public feedback into its content, including links to minutes, documents and analysis of the co-creation process as a whole, as well as the surveys conducted.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), pp. 25-30.

Link to the [sessions of the Innovation Technical Commission of CSC](#), [those of CSAYOEC](#) and those of [CSPM](#).

[Participation report of the process "Prior citizen consultation for the preparation of the Third Open Government Action Plan for the city of Madrid"](#).

**25 Was there iterative dialogue and shared ownership between governmental and non-governmental stakeholders during the decision-making process, including agenda setting?**

For more information, [see section 3.3.2 of the OGP Local Handbook](#) and [section 3.1.2.5 of IRM in a Box](#).

*Quick tip: Should assess whether the government, civil society organizations and/or other non-governmental stakeholders worked together to set an agenda (i.e., prioritize commitments) and draft the final selection of commitments and their associated milestones.*





Yes.

Briefly explain your answer:

Although CSPM and CSAYOEC were consulted and had the capacity to make proposals regarding the establishment of priorities for the commitments, CSC was the main forum of debate. An outline of the main lines of action can be seen in the minutes of the constitutive session of the Technical Innovation Commission of October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 - as well as in the meeting of its Technical Committee of November 30<sup>th</sup> of the same year. These discussions, along with intermediate meetings held on February 10<sup>th</sup> and March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022, as well as a letter sent to members on March 29<sup>th</sup>, ultimately led to the establishment of commitments for the Plan.

The decree approving the citizens' consultation was published on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, and it was transmitted to the CSAYOEC on March 24<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. The CSPM also met in the same month to address one of the commitments. The consultation finally took place between April 28<sup>th</sup> and May 11<sup>th</sup>, during which five initial commitments were designed iteratively with the three forums. The role played by the CSC in this process was particularly relevant."

Justify your answer:

Link to the [sessions of the Innovation Technical Commission of the CSC](#), [those of the CSAYOEC](#) and those of [the CSPM](#).

[Participation report of the process "Prior citizen consultation for the preparation of the Third Open Government Action Plan of the city of Madrid"](#).

[Annual Report of the Social Council of the City of Madrid \(June 2021 - June 2022\)](#).

**26 Would you consider the forum to be inclusive and diverse?**

*Quick tip: You can consider a forum to be very inclusive and diverse if there are formal seats for groups representing diverse communities (e.g., women, LGBTQIA+, youth, people with disabilities or indigenous populations, etc.), strong representation in working groups or areas of engagement, and targeted consultation and contact with underrepresented stakeholders throughout the co-creation processes.*

It is quite diverse, but has potential for improvement.



Briefly explain your answer:

In order to analyze the degree of inclusiveness and diverse participation, it is useful to consider the three forums as part of a common process. Each forum has a unique composition that reflects the competences of its members.

- CSC's Technical Innovation Commission, which has been responsible for developing and monitoring the Plan, includes representatives from a trade union organization, a business organization, two citizens' federations, a public university, an official college, several political groups, and municipal bodies.
- CSAYOEC and its Standing Committee include representatives from a wide range of organizations including cultural, consumer and user, neighborhood, sports, educational, children's, youth, women's, human rights, LGBTBI, immigrant, health and mutual support, disabled people's, business, professional and self-employed associations, among others. The forum also includes experts who are not necessarily affiliated with any particular organization.
- CSPM. It is made up of members from associations and federations of retired and pre-retired people, educational, neighborhood and health associations, NGOs, foundations, trade unions and public organs, including Municipal Centers for the Elderly, entities of the Community of Madrid and the City Council itself.

Overall, the plurality of these forums is a positive feature, as it reflects a commitment to strong community pluralism.

Justify your answer:

Link to information [on the composition of the Innovation Technical Commission of CSC](#).  
[Decree of 16 October 2019 of the Councillor Delegate for Territorial Coordination, Transparency and Citizen Participation regarding the sixth phase of the electoral process for the designation of representatives of citizen entities and groups in the Permanent Commission of the Sectorial Council of Associations and other Citizen Entities of the Madrid City Council.](#)

Link to information [on the composition of the CSPM](#).



### Section 3. Initial assessment of commitments

[The following questions should be completed for each commitment in the plan.]

#### 31 Commitment 1: Improvement of the transparency portal and increase of open data visualizations.

##### 311 Is the commitment verifiable?

*The commitment language provides clearly identifiable activities and measurable deliverables for the achievement of the commitment objective. For more information, see [section 3.1.3.1 of the IRM in a Box](#) and [section 3.2.1.2 of the OGP Local Handbook](#).*

Yes.

Briefly explain your answer:

In general, the activities set out in the action plan are defined and sufficiently detailed to make them measurable, especially given their exploratory nature of reviewing and identifying characteristics and errors in the databases.

It is also important to mention that the commitment to improve transparency and open data portals and promote data visualizations was originally separate commitments but were later merged in October 2022.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.

##### 312 Does the commitment language/activities clearly justify its relevance to OGP values?

*Engagement should make a policy area, institution or decision-making process more transparent, participatory or accountable, in line with OGP values. For more information, see [section 3.1.3.2 of the IRM in a Box](#) and [section 3.2.1.1 of the OGP Local Handbook](#).*

Yes.



Briefly explain your answer:

This commitment is aimed to facilitate and speed up to the access and understanding of information for wider sectors of the population. The aim is to enable wider access to public information for the population without specific knowledge of the matters being published, which is essential to democratize this access, its use and the evaluation of the public administration's activity. This intensification of transparency makes it possible, in turn, to improve the opportunities and tools for citizens to participate in public affairs. In addition, and more specifically in the Action Plan itself, the usefulness of the measure - and of transparency in general - is highlighted "as a brake on improper attitudes or conduct by public officials and significantly hinders the phenomenon of corruption" (p. 39).

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.

**313 Please select the option that best describes the commitment:**

For more information, see [section 3.1.3.3 of IRM in a Box](#).

The commitment is...

a new regulation, policy, practice or requirement.

Briefly explain your answer:

The action plan itself diagnoses that the City Council's open data portal is, until now, only accessible to people with a high level of technical knowledge or professionals in sectors dedicated to the processing of this type of data. Thus, a new form of presentation of the information for population without technical knowledge is proposed, which will coexist with the publication of the information in the formats required by law and which are normally used by professionals in the information sector.

Overall, the commitment contains a medium to long-term objective that these improvements will enable the incorporation of technical requirements for the publication of public information and open data in such a way as to contribute to the construction of a "System of Public Integrity" (p. 39).

This is therefore a novel practice in the constitution of this portal, which interrupts or broadens its focus, hitherto limited to a very specific population sector and going beyond the regulatory requirements.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.





**314 Please select the option that best describes the commitment:**

For more information, see [section 3.1.3.3 of IRM in a Box](#).

Engagement activities...

is a positive change in a process, practice or policy, but will not lead to binding or institutionalized change across government or specific institution(s).

Briefly explain your answer:

As this is a concrete practice aimed at only one of the functions of a specific public policy area (Transparency and Quality Department), and despite its innovative nature, it cannot be identified as a commitment that will necessarily lead to binding or institutionalized transformations throughout the government or the entire area concerned.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.

**315 Are there any recommended changes to the design of the commitment to help to improve its implementation?**

Briefly explain your response, including any foreseeable challenges that may affect the implementation of this commitment:

The design could consider broadening this accessibility further by defining in more detail the sectors or population groups for which the initiative is designed. Does the commitment want to target only the average population without specific training in data processing? Is it attractive, for example, to young people?

**32 Commitment 2: Community actions for a healthy city strategy.**

**321 Is the commitment verifiable?**

*The commitment language provides clearly identifiable activities and measurable deliverables for the achievement of the commitment objective. For more information, see [section 3.1.3.1 of the IRM in a Box](#) and [section 3.2.1.2 of the OGP Local Handbook](#).*

Yes, partially



Briefly explain your answer:

The three activities of the commitment are set out in relation, firstly, to the specific objectives they address and, secondly, to the course of actions they comprise. The degree of concreteness of each activity differs. In the first, there is no indication of which actors have to build the Working Group, what exactly the program to be implemented is, what these communicative actions consist of, or to whom they are directed. In this way, the relationship between these activities and the objectives they pursue is blurred in the action plan, which is insufficient to contextualize the meaning of the activities.

The second and third activities, however, detail the target actors and groups and those who are key to their implementation, establishing some of the fundamental elements of the strategies to be developed: a network of alliances and coordination protocols, strengthening the role of preventive actors and awareness-raising actions focused on groups at special risk.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.

- 322 Does the commitment language/activities clearly justify its relevance to OGP values? *The engagement should make a policy area, institution or decision-making process more transparent, participatory or accountable, in line with OGP values. For more information, see [section 3.1.3.2 of the IRM in a Box](#) and [section 3.2.1.1 of the OGP Local Manual](#).***

Yes.

Briefly explain your answer:

Although the presentation of the first activity makes it difficult to make a clear diagnosis, it can be affirmed that, in general terms, the relationship of the activities with OGP values is justified, since they are based on the promotion of the participation of the different agents directly and indirectly involved in the problems they are trying to solve. Moreover, all of them try to initiate the assent of different networks, alliances and/or community dynamics focused on forms of direct citizen participation and which can be integrated into the daily activity of these agents, be they public or private entities, the educational community, different social services, families or neighborhoods.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.

- 323 Please select the option that best describes the commitment:**



For more information, see [section 3.1.3.3 of IRM in a Box](#).

The commitment is...

a continuation of ongoing practice in line with current legislation, policies or requirements.

Briefly explain your answer:

The first activity is related to the Prevention of Complicated and/or Pathological Grief Program, which integrates the measures of the Madrid, a Healthy City Strategy 2021-2024. Likewise, the Compassionate Communities project for the prevention of complicated grief was launched as a pilot project in certain neighborhoods of Madrid within the framework of the Madrid City of Care Plan 2017-2021.

The second activity corresponds to the measure (already started by November 2021) *Strengthening suicide prevention strategies in at-risk populations of the Madrid*, a healthy city strategy. This is the least consolidated and developed line of action so far of the three.

The third activity proposed would be an extension of the Food, Physical Activity and Health Program 2020-2023 and, more specifically, of its Project for the Prevention and Tackling of Childhood Obesity, which has two pilot experiences in two community health centers: one in Vallecas and the other in Carabanchel. On this occasion, the plan expands on these experiences by extending the pilot to 11 educational centers, instead of CMSc, working on another of the Project's aspects.

Justify your answer:

[Strategy Madrid, a healthy city 21021-2024](#).

[Madrid City of Care Plan 2017-2021](#).

[Complicated and/or Pathological Grief Prevention Program. Compassionate communities](#).

[Food, Physical Activity and Health Program 2020-2023](#).

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.

**324 Please select the option that best describes the commitment:**

For more information, see [section 3.1.3.3 of IRM in a Box](#).

Engagement activities...

is a positive change in a process, practice or policy, but will not lead to binding or institutionalized change across government or specific institution(s).



Briefly explain your answer:

The strategies that seem to frame the sense of these activities also emphasize coordination and even multi-stakeholder co-creation. However, it is limited to governmental actors (local and regional) in order to optimize the set of public services offered. Although some of them also point to the participation of non-governmental stakeholders, their definition and implementation so far does not seem to have gone beyond the realm of community health centers or the occasional pilot project. This commitment, on the other hand, and especially the 2nd and 3rd activities, detail the non-governmental actors whose participation is central to the deployment of the proposed measures. Without denying their potential as a reference for transforming Madrid Salud's policies, these activities are limited to the treatment of three specific problems and areas, so that it is not yet possible to determine the impact they will have on the institution.

Justify your answer:

[Strategy Madrid, a healthy city 21021-2024.](#)  
[Madrid City of Care Plan 2017-2021.](#)  
[Complicated and/or Pathological Grief Prevention Programme. Compassionate communities.](#)  
[Food, Physical Activity and Health Programme 2020-2023.](#)  
[Commitment sheets for the 3rd Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council.](#)

**325 Are there any recommended changes to the design of the commitment that would help to improve its implementation?**

Briefly explain your response, including any foreseeable challenges that may affect the implementation of this commitment:

The main change to be noted would concern the approach to the first activity. As noted above, it lacks sufficient definition and requires greater clarity on the internal relationship between objectives and specific actions. The description in the action plan does not indicate which actors have to build the Working Group, what program has to be implemented, nor what these communicative actions consist of or to whom they are directed.

**33 Commitment 3: Improve the Decide Madrid platform, in order to encourage citizen participation in decision-making on city matters.**

**331 Is the commitment verifiable?**

*The commitment language provides clearly identifiable activities and measurable deliverables for the achievement of the commitment objective. For more information, see [section 3.1.3.1 of the IRM in a Box](#) and [section 3.2.1.2 of the OGP Local Handbook](#).*





Yes.

Briefly explain your answer:

The commitment is crossed by 4 activities clearly related to its objectives and detailed by means of several concrete actions. This explicitness of the variables makes their level of implementation fully measurable.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.

- 332 Does the commitment language/activities clearly justify its relevance to OGP values?**  
*Engagement should make a policy area, institution or decision-making process more transparent, participatory or accountable, in line with OGP values. For more information, see [section 3.1.3.2 of the IRM in a Box](#) and [section 3.2.1.1 of the OGP Local Handbook](#).*

Yes.

Briefly explain your answer:

In a similar vein of the first two commitments, this one seeks to increase the accessibility of a web portal for citizens as a whole. In this case, the purpose of the commitment acquires greater significance if we consider that it revolves around the improvement of “Decide Madrid”, the main current tool for direct and individual citizen participation in municipal affairs, through the initiation and development of threads of debate, assessment, implementation and support of proposals, etc. In this way, the fulfilment of the commitment would predictably lead to: an incentive and improvement of participation in public management, an increase in the democratic quality of the municipality and a greater awareness of civil society and public employees about the benefits of collaborative design of public policies.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.

- 333 Please select the option that best describes the commitment:**  
*For more information, see [section 3.1.3.3 of IRM in a Box](#).*



The commitment is...

a continuation of ongoing practice in line with current legislation, policies or requirements.

Briefly explain your answer:

The action plan itself states that the platform is "immersed in a process of continuous improvement, requiring a continuous process of review and innovation". If we also take into account the vocation of "Decide Madrid" since its emergence in 2015, the objective of improving the commitment based on increasing the accessibility and usability of the platform is fully aligned with its principles and operating requirements, as well as with the content of the Transparency Ordinance of the City of Madrid of 27 July 2016.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.  
[Transparency Ordinance of the City of Madrid of 27 July 2016.](#)

**334 Please select the option that best describes the commitment:**

*For more information, see [section 3.1.3.3 of IRM in a Box.](#)*

Engagement activities...

is a positive change in a process, practice or policy, but will not lead to binding or institutionalized change across government or specific institution(s).



Briefly explain your answer:

Although it is a "logical" development of the platform's development and updating practices already in place, the commitment brings new actions that can be described as innovative. In particular, the use of Machine Learning systems and the creation of a new space for social innovation. The first activity would provide public employees and citizens in general with an opportunity to appreciate and process in a systematized way the content created by the platform's users up to now, which is "raw", making a minimally detailed analysis of this amount of information extremely complex.

The second activity, on the other hand, would give rise to a functionality of "Decide Madrid" that goes beyond the individual capacity for proposal, decision-making and debate, i.e., the possibility of setting up multi-stakeholder alliances from the portal itself around ideas for experimentation. Particularly noteworthy in this aspect is the direct involvement of the CSC and its Innovation Committee in the first pilot, as well as the use of related information from the survey on quality of services, the City Council's suggestions and complaints tool and the proposals received through "Decide Madrid".

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.  
[Link to the Agreement adopted on 22-6-22 by the CSC plenary session.](#)

**335 Are there any recommended changes to the design of the commitment that would help improve its implementation?**

Briefly explain your response, including any foreseeable challenges that may affect the implementation of this commitment:

- 34 Commitment 4: Broaden the spectrum of participation through the Decide Madrid platform, developing specific programs aimed at those sectors of the population with less participation, such as the elderly, children and young people.**



**341 Is the commitment verifiable?**

*The commitment language provides clearly identifiable activities and measurable deliverables for the achievement of the commitment objective. For more information, see [section 3.1.3.1 of the IRM in a Box](#) and [section 3.2.1.2 of the OGP Local Handbook](#).*

Yes.

Briefly explain your answer:

As in Commitments 1 and 2, in general, the activities included in the action plan are defined and contain sufficient detail to make them measurable, especially given their initial exploratory nature of analysis and identification of possible actions for the problem they seek to address, which is well defined. The feature of this initial action in both activities makes it difficult for the remaining ones to reach a greater degree of concreteness, being coherent as actions resulting from this initial exploratory and co-design work and being verifiable.

Justify your answer:

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**342 Does the language/activities of the engagement clearly justify its relevance to OGP values?**

*Engagement should make a policy area, institution or decision-making process more transparent, participatory or accountable, in line with OGP values. For more information, see [section 3.1.3.2 of the IRM in a Box](#) and [section 3.2.1.1 of the OGP Local Handbook](#).*

Yes.

Briefly explain your answer:

The pursuit to increase participation among both young and old people is aimed at broadening the target audience of one of the City Council's flagship Open Government policies, "Madrid Decide". The commitment seeks to incorporate the perspective of groups hitherto partially relegated from the use of this tool -either for reasons of technical knowledge or age regulations-, which offers an opportunity to democratize public management and raise citizens' awareness of the values of OGP. The latter is particularly relevant among youth and children, preparing them "for adult life". Overall, this commitment contributes to shape a more active, supportive and committed citizens with democratic values and public affairs concerns.



Justify your answer:



The commitment is...

partly a continuation of existing practice in line with existing legislation, policies or requirements; and partly a new regulation, policy, practice or requirement.

Briefly explain your answer:

The commitment is mixed in this commitment. On the one hand, we can consider the participation programs aimed at older people as a continuation of both the continuous improvement processes of the web platform and the “Madrid, a friendly city for older people Plan” (actions 26.1 and 26.2).

On the other hand, the implementation of participation programs aimed at children and young people had not been integrated into any plan or strategy until now: the participation of this sector of the population in “Decide Madrid”. Beyond this novelty, the implementation of this initiative would entail the partial modification of the platform's Conditions of Use, which restrict participation to people over the age of 16, also representing a pioneering challenge both in terms of citizen participation in itself and at a regulatory level, given the special importance of protecting the rights of minors.

Justify your answer:

[Plan Madrid, a friendly city for the elderly 2021-2023.](#)

Link to [Decide Madrid Terms of Use.](#)

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.

**344** Select the option that best describes the commitment:

For more information, see [section 3.1.3.3 of IRM in a Box.](#)



Briefly explain your answer:

As noted above, it seems that the change proposed by the pledge is mostly limited to the programming of children and youth participation in “Decide Madrid”. Now, it must be considered that this measure is limited to a modification of the terms and means of youth participation in only one of the municipality's Open Government tools, so its impact is still limited in the rest of the practices of its government or institutions, although it can serve as a reference experience for even more ambitious transformations.

Justify your answer:

Third Open Government Plan of the Madrid City Council (2022-2023), Annex.

**345 Are there any recommended changes to the design of the commitment that would help improve its implementation?**

Briefly explain your response, including any foreseeable challenges that may affect the implementation of this commitment:

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