

UK EITI 2021 Workplan

No.	Activities	Timeline	Expected Output	Expected Outcome	RAG rating
1. Uphold the principles set out in the 2019 EITI Standard and implement them in a way suitable for the UK context.					
1.01	Complete second validation under the EITI Standard and achieve 'satisfactory progress'	Nov-2020 onwards	Ensure that all corrective actions are addressed, progress is well documented and that the MSG is equipped to respond to any queries raised during the validation process. Engage with EITI International Secretariat and EITI Board to explain UK implementation and ensure satisfactory result.	Satisfactory progress in the UK's revalidation.	
1.02	Complete annual progress report/annual review of outcomes and impact of EITI implementation. This should now include documenting the efforts to improve gender equality and social inclusion. MSG to agree on the method for doing this.	Dec-21	Written assessment of the impact of EITI implementation in 2021, the lessons learned from the past year and the extent to which EITI has met its objectives.	MSG, its constituencies and the wider public are more aware of the impact of EITI implementation in the UK. MSG can make informed decisions to increase the impact of EITI in the UK and ensure that EITI implementation is beneficial to the UK.	
1.03	Hold UK MSG every two months, with good representation from all constituencies.	Dec-21	MSG meetings every 2 months with well-considered agendas and papers to ensure speedy and effective implementation of EITI.	Increased dialogue between government, industry and civil society and momentum maintained for UK EITI implementation.	
1.04	Civil Society Network and Secretariat to work together to ensure that remaining civil society seats are filled, including representatives from local communities.	Mar-21	New civil society members of MSG, including representatives from local communities affected by the extractive industries.	Civil society is fully engaged with EITI process, with representatives from diverse parts of civil society, so that a wide range of views are brought to the MSG.	
1.05	MSG to monitor diversity of MSG representatives, including gender.	Ongoing	MSG to ensure that diversity issues, including gender parity, are taken into account in their nominations process in different constituencies, as set out in the Terms of Reference.	Greater gender diversity in the MSG and greater awareness in the MSG and wider sector of the need for gender parity.	
2. Promote transparent and accessible disclosure systems and good governance in the extractives sector. Enhance accountability on revenues from the UK's extractives industry.					
2.01	Ensure that the new EITI website continues to present information on the extractive industries in a transparent and accessible way.	Ongoing	Review of website content every six months by Communications Subgroup to ensure that interactive, visually appealing content about the UK extractive industries is available online and in a timely manner	Increased understanding of the extractive industries in the UK, greater public debate and increased interest in UK EITI.	

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2.02	Mainstreaming Subgroup to ensure that EITI requirements are met by systematic disclosure where MSG deems appropriate.	Dec-21	Mainstreaming Subgroup to continue to oversee the implementation of recommendations from the Mainstreaming Feasibility Study, build on work from 2020. Ensure that EITI website signposts external data sources where available. MSG to consider implementing an alternative approach to the reconciliation process.	UK disclosure systems strengthened. The UK makes information required by the EITI Standard available through reporting systems and transparency becomes an integral and routine feature for the UK. UK EITI collates information and publishes any data that is not systematically disclosed. UK satisfies the requirements of 2019 EITI Standard.	
2.03	Ensure that 2020 payments and sectoral data is published in timely fashion and in an accessible format.	Oct-21	Payments data covering 2020 is published no later than October 2021 and earlier if possible, either in the format of a reconciliation and state of the industry report, or an alternative form, depending on the MSG's decisions on mainstreaming.	Enhanced accountability to the UK public on the revenues from the UK's extractives industries.	
2.04	Review and agree the scope and methodology for the 2020 payments data/reconciliation process, including on gender, contract transparency, environmental reporting and project-level reporting.	Mar/Apr 2021	Meeting of reconciliation subgroup to discuss updates for guidance and templates, following MSG decisions on mainstreaming and scope for 2020 data.	An agreed methodology and approach for UK EITI reporting. Any proposals to exclude certain revenue streams are agreed by the MSG.	
2.05	Independent administrator to continue to collect information from government and companies for reconciliation, subject to MSG decision on approach to reconciliation process.	Oct/Nov 2021	Complete reconciliation of payments for companies making payments over materiality threshold of £86,000, unless MSG agree alternative approach to reconciliation process. Independent Administrator presents data in an accessible manner in 2020 report and/or on UK EITI website. MSG to review after the exercise if the reconciliation effort is still needed, and/or a more light touch method could be used as part of mainstreaming efforts.	Independent third party reconciliation will add weight to the tax payment figures put into the public domain.	
2.06	Agree scope and content of Independent Administrator contract, to begin June 2022.	From September 2021	Current contract will expire on 15th June 2022. MSG to consider scope for new contract and ensure that new contract is in place in time for the reconciliation of 2021 payments.	Independent Administrator contract agreed by MSG and new contract in place before June 2022.	
2.07	MSG to work with government bodies and agencies to ensure that all requirements on licence and contract transparency are met, including the requirement to disclose all contracts entered into, signed or amended from 1 January 2021.	Dec-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clear explanation on government policy for the disclosure of contracts and licences by different government bodies and agencies on the EITI website. - Full text of contracts and licences in scope of EITI reporting disclosed by the relevant government body or agency. All relevant information on in-scope licences and contracts disclosed, in line with EITI Standard. - Progress towards this goal is captured in contract tracker, overseen by the Compliance Subgroup. 	Greater clarity on government policy on licence disclosure. All new or amended contracts from 1st January 2021 are disclosed in a way the MSG deems consistent with the requirements of the 2019 EITI Standard. Greater contract transparency in the UK extractive sector.	

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2.08	MSG to consider the role of EITI in the energy transition and to consider if any further environmental payments could be disclosed, building on existing environmental payment data.	Dec-21	Robust MSG discussion on the energy transition. Energy transition page on UK EITI website is maintained, with links to relevant external resources. Possible inclusion of additional payments stream in reconciliation process or additional information on sectoral pages of website.	UK EITI contributes to public debate on the energy transition.	Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative United Kingdom
3. Increase public understanding of the social and economic impacts of the UK's extractive industries and enrich public debate on the governance and stewardship of the UK's oil, gas and					
3.01	Undertaken outreach activities to spread awareness and facilitate dialogue about EITI and the UK extractive industries.	Ongoing	Communications Subgroup to consider how outreach can continue within limits of COVID-19 restrictions and make recommendations for MSG to take forward, including organising one-off events, participation at key industry and international EITI events, articles in trade publications, quarterly newsletters and better use of social media.	Greater awareness and understanding of EITI and its importance to the transparency agenda. Increased industry and public awareness of the work of the UK EITI MSG.	
3.02	Ensure EITI website is regularly updated and continues to present information in an interactive and accessible way.	Ongoing	Reviews of current website every six months, resulting in an accessible and up-to-date UK EITI website with interactive data on the extractive industries and links to other relevant data sources. Website includes up-to-date information about EITI and the work of the MSG with relevant sections covering both industry and civil society.	The UK EITI website is used by the industry and the public to source data for the extractive industries in the UK, thus enriching public debate. The website aids systematic disclosure/mainstreaming, with links to relevant data sources and further information on the sector.	
3.03	MSG members to promote and stimulate interest in EITI within their industry. Use MSG member networks to promote EITI report.	Dec-21	MSG members to use/reference EITI in their own publications/websites, events and consultation responses. Dissemination of the report to a wider audience via events, websites and social media.	Increased understanding of EITI within industry and its importance to the transparency agenda. Report is used as a tool to improve debate on extractive industry issues.	
3.04	Ensure that the EITI Champion supports efforts on EITI implementation and is kept up-to-date on progress.	Ongoing	Submissions to EITI Champion informing them of progress. EITI Champion involvement in outreach activities and launch of report.	Greater awareness of EITI and continued Government support for EITI implementation.	
4. Contribute to international efforts to further transparent and accessible disclosure systems, common global reporting standards and good governance in the extractives s					
4.01	Participate in EITI calls with other implementing countries to share experiences of EITI implementation.	Ongoing	Share EITI experience with other countries via webinars and participation in conferences organised by EITI International Secretariat.	Other implementing countries or countries considering implementation learn from UK experience. The UK learns from other implementing countries to ensure more effective implementation in the UK.	
4.02	Secretariat and MSG members to attend events organised by the International Secretariat to share UK experience and build connections with other implementing countries	Ongoing	Share EITI experience with other countries via webinars and participation in conferences organised by EITI International Secretariat.	Greater connections between UK EITI and other implementing countries to enable better knowledge sharing and more effective implementation. UK more aware of latest developments in EITI Standard and examples of best practice.	

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4.03	Participate in regular calls with the EITI International Secretariat to share experiences of UK implementation in order to inform the development of the EITI Standard.	Ongoing	Share UK experience with International Secretariat, clearly communicating UK priorities for the development of the Standard.	Development of Standard informed by UK implementation experience and expertise.	Oil and Gas Industries Transparency Initiative United Kingdom
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