

Head of the Sherpa Office
GENERAL SECRETARIAT

Representatives of the Steering Committee
Transition Fund
Deauville Partnership

10 April 2015

Dear Representatives of the Steering Committee,

The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) hereby endorses the project presented by the Government of Egypt on *Towards inclusive and open governments: Promoting women's participation in parliaments and policy-making* and is ready to assist the Government of Egypt to carry it out and implement it in accordance with the Transition Fund's Operations Manual and related procedures. This project is endorsed by the OECD, which is the designated Implementation Support Agency for this project.

The project is supporting the Government of Egypt, as well as Jordan and Morocco as part of a regional project, in fostering inclusive growth and good governance by leveraging open government policies and mainstreaming gender perspectives in parliamentary operations to maximise women's integration in public life and policy-making process. To this end, the project will focus on making legislatures transparent, equitable and gender-sensitive and; empowering women parliamentarians and strengthening their capacity and skills at the national and local levels and; improving public consultation capacity of parliaments and women's CSOs in law-making processes. This support will be complemented by regular regional policy dialogue as a tool for the continuity of the knowledge sharing process for implementation of reforms.

This project has been prepared and finalised according to the OECD normal policies and procedures as set up by the OECD Governing Body. The appraisal of the project has been completed and cleared by the OECD management following internal consultation of the relevant OECD offices.

This endorsement letter is accompanied by the proper documentation reflecting the agreement by the OECD Governing Body to carry out such activities. The project proposal is hereby submitted to the Steering Committee with a request for approval.

Sincerely yours,



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