

Head of the Sherpa Office
GENERAL SECRETARIAT

Representatives of the Steering Committee
Transition Fund
Deauville Partnership

6 November 2013

Dear Representatives of the Steering Committee,

The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) hereby endorses the project presented by the Government of Tunisia on *Enhancing Domestic Resource Mobilisation through Effective tax System Design and Improved Transparency* and is ready to assist the Government of Tunisia to carry it out and implement it in accordance with the Transition Fund's Operations Manual and related procedures. This project is jointly endorsed by the OECD and the African Development Bank, which are the designated Implementation Support Agencies for this project. Consistent with the terms of the Financial Procedure Agreement agreed with the Trustee, the OECD will not be responsible for the oversight and management of the funds used for the country-executed portion of this project.

This project will support the Tunisian government in its endeavour to improve the transparency of its tax system and reform processes which will increase trust in the government and enhance compliance. This includes the transparency of their revenue statistics, which will also enable more informed policy choices. It will also help the Tunisian government to improve their accountability and get social support to make reforms happen.

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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Cc: Jacob Kolster, Regional Director , African Development Bank