PARTNERS FOR TRANSPARENCY (PfT)

Promoting a culture of transparency, accountability, and effectiveness to reduce corruption in Colombia.

OVERVIEW

The Partners for Transparency Activity (PfT) leverages local stakeholders’ expertise, engagement, and unique positions of influence to promote a culture of transparency and accountability. The activity promotes local-level civic participation; strengthens local partner capacity; and advances national-level government transparency and accountability initiatives. The activity also engages a broad range of public and private sector counterparts, including Transparencia por Colombia, Foro Nacional por Colombia, Los Andes University, and La Silla Vacia media group. The activity works in the departments of Bolivar, Cauca, Cordoba, Tolima, Sucre and Valle del Cauca, and it runs from August 2020 to August 2025.
COMPONENTS

ADVANCING TRANSPARENCY INITIATIVES

PfT advocates for public sector transparency and accountability. The activity also supports national level agencies, like the National Public Procurement Agency and the National Planning Department, in implementing transparency-related regulations, procedures, and international commitments.

FACILITATING CIVIC COLLABORATION

PfT promotes communication and collaboration between civil society and local government administrations to advance the development, implementation, and monitoring of transparency-related policies and open data initiatives.

STRENGTHENING GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS

PfT works with Colombia’s Attorney General’s Office, Comptroller General’s Office, and Inspector’s General’s Office to enhance prevention, detection, prosecution, and sanctioning of corruption.

PROMOTING A CULTURE OF TRANSPARENCY

PfT promotes a culture of transparency, accountability, and a greater social sanction of corruption through innovative approaches and the use of strategic communications.

STRENGTHENING LOCAL PARTNER CAPACITY

PfT provides technical assistance to a broad range of local partners, like media, academia and civil society organizations, to increase their capacity, sustainability, and internal accountability and transparency practices.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Promote innovative and citizen-led transparency and integrity initiatives;
- Enhance oversight and prosecution entities’ understanding of the different types of corruption;
- Support the development of a transparency and accountability culture in key government agencies;
- Encourage government counterparts to adopt and implement transparency and accountability policies, frameworks, and related international commitments; and
- Foster collaboration between civil society and local administrations to implement Open Government initiatives and national laws on transparency, access to information, and related regulations.