

Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

between

Global Data Barometer (project) and Institute for Development of Freedom of Information (IDFI)

The Global Data Barometer (GDB) provides a critical new benchmark on governance, availability, and use for the public good across the world. Through sectoral modules, developed with partners, the Barometer gathers and analyses indicators on data governance, stakeholder capabilities, data availability and data use in particular contexts.

Memorandum of Understanding

The partners

The Asset declaration indicators of the Global Data Barometer are based on the presence and strength of legislation, regulations, or policies and also the availability of data on public officials' declaration of their interests and assets. This information will be used by **Institute for Development of Freedom of Information (IDFI)**, represented by Giorgi Kldiashvili (Executive Director) and is gathered by **The Global Data Barometer**, represented by Silvana Fumega (Project Director).

The purpose

This MOU outlines **IDFI**'s intention to actively promote and disseminate the results of the GDB first edition. GDB's goal is to provide a critical new benchmark on country-level data governance, data capability, data availability, and data use for the public good. The regional hub will organise and plan to disseminate the results within its region.

Key activities & milestones

The partners note the following anticipated project timeline, including the goal of finalising this endeavour by December 2022.

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- May: Design of audiovisual and communications material surrounding the key trends and findings of GDB results for the region in English, Georgian and Russian.
- June: Regional conference/presentation to discuss the results of the Global Data Barometer based on thematic modules and prominent challenges relevant for Eurasia. Potential panelists will include GDB researchers from Georgia, Azerbaijan, Moldova, Kazakhstan and Mongolia.
- July December: Further dissemination and engagement with mobilised stakeholders.

The **online regional conference/presentation** will host several panellists to discuss the results of the Global Data Barometer based on thematic modules, prominent challenges relevant for the region uncovered through the research process. During the first part of the event, the major findings of GDB for the region will be presented, after which a panel discussion will be held on particular topics, major challenges and needs relevant for the countries in the region with the participation of national researchers and external experts of various relevant fields.

The event will be **live streamed** through IDFI's social media pages. The presentation/discussion will be held in English.

Infographics and visualisations surrounding the key trends and findings of GDB results for the region will be developed in **English**, **Georgian and Russian**.

The visualisation will be presented during the conference. It will also be disseminated through IDFI webpage and social media page as well as any available channels of communication available to involved researchers.

The visualisation will use content of the analysis IDFI plans to prepare with its own resources. In particular, the overview of the regional results will focus on Georgia's performance with the comparison of other countries in the region.

Potential speakers

The potential panellists of the conference/presentation will include GDB researchers from the region (potentially, researchers from Azerbaijan, Moldova, Kazakhstan, Mongolia), IDFI's representatives, external experts of various relevant fields and, if possible, representatives from the GDB's global team.

IDFI is expected to engage with GDB as described hereunder and more in detail in the Proposal, Annex 1, which forms an integral part of this MoU.

Partner responsibilities

The Global Data Barometer (GDB) project will:

- Provide the data
- Comms kit
- Material support (USD 4,000)

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IDFI will actively promote and disseminate the results of the GDB first edition, through the following activities:

- Organise and implement a regional conference/presentation that will be live streamed through IDFI's social media pages.
- Design Infographics and visualisations surrounding the key trends and findings of GDB results for the region to be developed in English, Georgian and Russian.

Budget

Partners will seek to support the long-term sustainability of the Global Data Barometer as a longitudinal study by contributing **USD 4,000 in funding** (for GDB dissemination activities in Eurasia), as shown in the calendar below.

Date	Amount	Description	
30/03/2022	USD 4,000	signature of the MOU and proposal of activities	

Nature of agreement

The parties accept that this agreement can only serve as a framework and that its implementation will be resolved through discussion and joint agreement between representatives of each institution.

The present Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay. Any dispute arising from the application or interpretation of this Agreement or supplementary agreements, memorandums of understanding, or exchange of correspondence shall be resolved by direct negotiation between the Parties. If a solution satisfactory to both Parties cannot be reached, the Parties shall submit their differences to arbitration in accordance with the Arbitration Rules of the Conciliation and Arbitration Center of the Uruguayan Chamber of Commerce, which shall apply to both the appointment of the arbitrators, which shall be three, as well as to the arbitration procedure. The place of arbitration shall be the city of Montevideo, Uruguay. The arbitration decision shall be final, unappealable and binding.



IN WITNESS HEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto, have on behalf of the Parties hereto signed this MOU:

For and on behalf of the	For and on behalf of the
ILDA - organizational partner for the Global Data Barometer project	Institute for Development of Freedom of Information (IDFI)
Silvana Fumega	Giorgi Kldiashvili
Project Director	Executive Director
Date:	Date: March 31, 2022

Annex 1 - Approved proposal

Annex 2 - Banking and supplier information form

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Annex 1. Approved Proposal

- 1. Name of regional hub: Institute for Development of Freedom of Information
- 2. Type of product: Regional conference/presentation, Visualization.
- 3. Date for delivery: 01 May- 30 June, 2022
- 4. Estimated budget: \$4,000 USD
- 5. Contact person:
- a. Name Teona Turashvili
- b. Email t.turashvili@idfi.ge
- 6. Event or product description:
- a. Goal or outcome for the event/knowledge product?

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Participants and interested parties will get an opportunity to ask questions and receive answers directly from the implementing team, researchers and coordinators. The event will be live streamed through IDFI's social media pages and shared among communication channels of each respective panelist (if applicable) in order to maximize the audience. The presentation/discussion will be held in English.

Furthermore, infographics and visualizations surrounding the key trends and findings of GDB results for the region will be developed in English, Georgian and Russian, in order to increase accessibility and make the material easily digestible for a broader audience. The visualization will be presented during the conference. It will also be disseminated through IDFI webpage and social media page as well as any available channels of communication available to involved researchers.

The visualization will use content of the analysis IDFI plans to prepare with its own resources. In particular, the overview of the regional results will focus on Georgia's performance with the comparison of other countries in the region.



B. Potential speakers

The potential panelists of the conference/presentation will include GDB researchers from our region (potentially, researchers from Azerbaijan, Moldova, Kazakhstan, Mongolia), IDFI's representatives, external expert of various relevant fields, and if possible representatives from the GDB's global team.

c. Abstract (250 words max)

The visualization will feature major findings and challenges in terms of access to open data in the region, as well as major recommendations and needs based on the results.

With regard to the overview on Georgia and the whole region, IDFI will focus on the main trends and challenges in terms of data availability in Georgia with the consideration of the EaP and Central Asian countries with its own resources, based on the key findings of The Global Data. The overview will follow GDB's general structure and cover the domains of climate action, company information, health and COVID-19, land, political integrity, public finance and public procurement.