Open Government Partnership in Greece

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As part of the implementation of the national strategy for **Open Public Administration and Governance**, Greece is participating actively in the international UN initiative for **Open Government Partnership - OGP).**

The Open Government Partnership, a multilateral global initiative of the United Nations, aims to ensure specific government commitments to promote transparency, empower citizens, and fight corruption and the exploitation of new technologies in modern governance.

Until now, free access to information has been guaranteed constitutionally in Greece and provided by law. But what finally is the essence of the right is not only the legal framework but also the organizational and technological choices that implement it. Towards this, the priorities of Greek government aligned with the commitments undertaken by the country in the framework of the Initiative for Open Governance and the comments of actors of civil society.

In particular the Greek government:

- Created the centralized inventory collection and disposal of public data (data.gov.gr) through which data are now available (Open public data also available from the observatory of prices and extension of action on open access tax data)
- Allows, via data.gov.gr, citizens to seek the provision of public data.
- Arranged the organizational and legal settlement pending on geospatial information.

More info about the public consultation of the <u>Greek National strategy for Open Public Administration and Governance</u> (in Greek, deadline 30/9/2013)

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