

Why is it important for you to actively participate in this dialogue?



- By sharing your thoughts and opinions among fellow community members, you can better understand the concerns of the participants, and propose concrete solutions to your common problems
- By sharing your points of view regarding corruption control, you can find ways of assisting the Belize Government and the National Assembly to carry out institutional reforms that respond to your needs and expectations.
- By making your voices heard, you will be able to support the auditing work of the Office of the Auditor General of Belize, contribute to the more effective investment of public resources and increase government accountability.

Who supports this dialogue?



This dialogue is supported by the regional Project for Strengthening External Control for the Effective Prevention and Fight against Corruption, implemented by the German Cooperation - through the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH and the Latin American and Caribbean Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions, in order to provide technical support of the Office of the Auditor General of Belize.

We expect to be joined by representatives of all the Belizean communities and sectors including tourism, agriculture, merchants, social and non-governmental organizations, media schools, professional associations, ethnic groups, women organizations, LGBTQI+, and local political leaders, among others.

We want to hear your ideas, your concerns, and your dreams, so together we can create a dialogue for building a better and more just Belize.

Join us and participate!

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Making citizens count

Belize

Strengthening citizen control in the fight against corruption

Join us in this dialogue!



About this initiative

The Belize: **Making Citizens Count** program needs you!

You are invited to participate in this community-based dialogue to collectively propose clear options for action to solve the problems that affect us most regarding citizen oversight and governmental accountability. This exchange will consider the types of institutional reforms needed to improve public resources control, the quality of services provided by institutions and how to better guarantee the constitutional rights of all Belizeans.

The involvement of a broad spectrum of society will result in the consolidation of the citizens' voice that will be manifested in proposals that should ultimately build government institution-citizen trust, and strengthen access to information, citizen participation, public governance and accountability.

The program's outcome, as well as the good practices and lessons learned, will be shared with other Latin American and Caribbean countries participating in the Strengthening citizen control in the fight against corruption initiative led by OLACEFS and the German Agency for International Cooperation – GIZ.



Program Activities:

- Interviews with stakeholders
- Citizen forums in the six districts: Belize, Cayo, Corozal, Orange Walk, Stann Creek, and Toledo
- Opinion sharing throughout the media
- Citizen consultation through the program's web page: www.makingcitizenscount.org
- A presentation of the consultation's outcome and the citizens' priorities proposals before government authorities.
- A day of training to transfer the methodology and its application to other matters
- Advocacy activities in institutional reform processes
- Follow-up of citizen priorities and proposals

How to participate

- You are invited to attend a citizen forum in your district where you will meet and have deliberations with your fellow community-members regarding citizen control and institutional reforms. You will be able to share your proposals on the following web page: www.makingcitizenscount.org

You will also be able to share your opinions with news outlets and social media.

Also, you will be able to follow-up on how the program is moving forward and the effect your proposals are having by checking out the program's website, on allied media outlets and on social networks.

Together we can take sound collective decisions and build a prosperous future for Belize!

