



2nd GLOBAL CONFERENCE ON HARNESSING DATA TO IMPROVE CORRUPTION MEASUREMENT

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- 1. Good morning, and protocol observed** I would like to begin by acknowledging the importance of the theme of this conference "Harnessing data to improve corruption measurements". I believe we are all excited and looking forward to the fulfillment of the objective and purposes of this conference. It is relevant, especially to the current status of the world, especially the emerging economies that are still struggling with the aftermath of **COVID-19**, one of them being the negative macroeconomic outlook. And perceived corruption appears to have grown steadily after COVID-19.
- 2. Harnessing data involves leveraging various data sources, technologies, and analytical techniques to enhance transparency, accountability, and governance, which are direct benefits to PFM systems.**
- 3. Having quality and accessible data empowers institutions to fight corruption, as we will have targeted and relevant anti-corruption initiatives, and above all, strengthen the credibility of our PFM systems.**
- 4. Also, readily available and accessible data facilitate the early detection and diagnosis of all types of corruption and associated PFM leakages.**

5. With data-driven insights, we can identify corruption risks early, track spending in real-time, and ensure resources reach their intended targets.
6. **ALL OF US** here today, we are looking forward to learn more about **how** multidisciplinary collaboration can be effectively driven; how modern technology like **AI** can eliminate bias in data collection and analysis, and how data literacy for anti-corruption agencies and civil society organizations can be improved.
7. This week, we are appreciating the modern techniques for harnessing data to reduce the mismatch of anti-corruption initiatives and also the reduction of corruption perception within our nations. We are here to share and learn about the best methodologies that will kick-start or fast-track strategic anti-corruption frameworks, regain public trust, and overall enhance PFM reforms, especially in procurement and revenue collection. In the medium term, the improvement in corruption measurement will result in a direct link or give birth to anti-corruption indicators under the Public Expenditure and Financial Accountability (**PEFA**) Framework.
8. I am taking this opportunity to thank the organizers, sponsors, and facilitators of the conference, which is very critical to anti-corruption initiatives.



