

**REPORT OF THE NATIONAL STAKEHOLDERS WORKING GROUP  
(NSWG)/ CIVIL SOCIETY INTERACTIVE SESSION ON THE EITI NIGERIA  
INITIATIVE**

**Tuesday, 30 November 2004**

**1. ATTENDANCE**

AKINBODE	OLUWAFEMI	ERA
OSARO	ODEMWINGIE	FOI COALITION
OLUSEGUN	ADENIYI	NSWG
PAUL	KING	PROSPECT
UCHE	IGWE	CLEAN
ASSISI	ASOBIE	NSWG
AUWAL	RAFSANJANI	TIN
BRIGHT	OKOGU	NSWG
STAN	RERRI	EITI SECRETARIAT
HAJIA BINTA AHMED		NCWS
JOY	OKOCHA	NCWS
PRINCESS P. EKIYE		NCWS
RAY	ONYEGU	SRI
SEYI	APATA	PENGASSAN
CHUKWUMA	OFOEGBU	NBA
AMMUNA	LAWAN ALI	MPR
ABUBAKAR	MUAZU	BOCODEP
CHRIS	MAILANDER	GIS
JOANNA	MADUKA	NSWG
STANLEY	UKAGA	GIS
MICHEL	TELLINGS	GIS
YINKA	CRAIG	GIS
ADEMOLA	ARIYO	PWYP
K. A.	ALI	NSE
LEO	ATAKPU	PWYP
ADESINA	OKE	AFISMA
MUSA	ALECHENU	NANS
NENGI	JAMES	BAYOF
OTITE	PRECIOUS	NUPENG
LILIAN	EKEANYANWU	ZCI
OLISAKWE	IFEOMA	NDPD
H. N. SALAUDEEN		MAN
EMEKA	ONONAMADU	PWYP
EMMA	EZEAZU	CDCS
M. M.	FADAKINTE	PENGASSAN

## **2. Civil Society Engagement:**

The meeting was chaired by Dr. Bright Okogu, Head, Oil & Gas accounting Unit, Federal Ministry of Finance.

He gave an update of the EITI Nigeria team, particularly its leadership role in the global initiative.

The meeting acknowledged the progress of the EITI Nigeria Team and agreed that more work is required to ensure that Civil Society groups can better engage the National Stakeholders Working Group (NSWG).

The meeting agreed that the role of Civil Society (CS) should be to monitor the progress and processes of the EITI Nigeria Team. It was agreed that CS required capacity building and training on the Extractive Industry to enable them ask the right questions, particularly of the figures from the planned audit of the Extractive Industry.

The meeting agreed that funding for the Capacity Building for Civil Society would have to be funded by Government and Development Agencies for now, until alternative and sustainable local (Private, Nigerian) funding sources or mechanisms are identified.

The meeting asked Dr. Asobie to make a request to the NSWG for the following:

- ❑ A session at the EITI Conference to be dedicated to CS issues
- ❑ Funding for road shows to take the message to the grassroots and receive inputs from there
- ❑ Use of community radios especially in local languages
- ❑ Greater partnership and decentralisation of EITI information flows through setting up of Public Information Centres in the regions

The meeting agreed to meet once in three months and set up a five man Action Committee to set the Strategy and Agenda for CS involvement in EITI Nigeria activities. The members are:

- ❑ Emma Ezeazu
- ❑ Ademola Ariyo
- ❑ Hajia Binta Ahmed
- ❑ H. Assisi Asobie
- ❑ Joanna Maduka
- ❑ EITI Secretariat      Secretary

The meeting ended with a call for greater cooperation between the NSWG and Civil Society groups.

**Dr. Bright Okogu**  
Meeting Chair