Civil society and citizen engagement – a SAI South experience

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Background

Those charged with governance – executive authorities, accounting officers, boards of SOEs and their CEOs

Parliament – and subnational legislatures (those charged with oversight)

AGSA stakeholder strategy

Media (all media, including social media)

The Citizen and CSOs – a new terrain
Our CSO and citizen engagement journey

Initial strategy
- Recognition of CSOs/citizen as key stakeholder
- Mapping of the terrain
- Exploratory engagements, led by head of SAI

Current situation
- An increasing number of relationships built on trust
- COVID-19 demonstrated need for broad CSO cooperation

What about the future?
- Review of lessons learnt, especially during COVID-19
- Refinement of initial strategy
- Institutionalize as a business process
Conclusion

- Do your homework, learn about good practices
- Get to know and understand civil society – build trust
- Adopt a strategy relevant to your mandate and local conditions
- Implement your strategy intelligently
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