



TIMOR-LESTE EITI MULTI STAKEHOLDER GROUP (MSG)

MEETING MINUTES

15th July 2026

10:10 PM – 10:45 PM

TL-EITI Secretariat, PBC, Díli

7th MSG Meeting

Participant MSG members/ Alternates:

Antonio dos Santos	Woodside Representative/Industry
Isiodoro Correia	Woodside Representative/Industry
Dilma dos Reis de A. Fernandes	SANTOS Representative/Industry
Apolinario Leite	ANP/Government
Josefina M. Pereira Mendes	Finder Energy Representative/Industry
José Manuel da Conceição	TIMOR GAP/SOE/Government
Francisco Alegria	TIMOR GAP/SOE/Government
Januario Amaral	PNB/CSO

TL-EITI Secretariat:

Emilia de Jesus	TL-EITI National Coordinator
Agostinho Carvalho	Data Base Officer
Nikson M. Gusmão	Data Base Officer
Felismina Soares Coelho	Assistant Communication
Nerio De Jesus Nunes	Assistant Communication
Julio Martins	Media Officer

The meeting Started at 10:00 AM

1. Agenda

- Bidding process

2. Introduction

- The TL-EITI National Coordinator (NC) welcomed participants and announced the introduction of a new industry member (Finder Energy), as well as the appointment of a new alternate representative from Woodside, introduced by existing industry member, Mr. Antonio.
- The NC presented the meeting agenda, focusing on the tender process undertaken by the Secretariat over recent months. It was noted that approaches had been made to several local companies; however, the profiles received did not meet EITI standards, posing a challenge given Timor-Leste's validation schedule in January 2027. The NC highlighted the time constraint and its potential impact on the validation process.
- The meeting was convened to seek MSG members' input on alternative approaches to expedite the recruitment of an Independent Administrator (IA), ensuring readiness for the 2024 report and subsequent 2027 validation.

3. Result of the Meeting

- MSG members, comprising representatives from industry (Woodside), government (ANP), the SOE (TIMOR GAP), and civil society organizations (CSOs), advised that given the constrained timeline for Timor-Leste's validation in January 2027, the National Secretariat (NS) should consult the MPRM legal team regarding a contract extension or single-sourcing arrangement with EY to prepare the 2024 EITI report.
- The MSG further recommended that a justification memo and proposal be prepared for the Minister's decision on the matter.
- The MSG recommends direct sourcing in this instance for the following reasons:
 1. **Continuity of Services:** EY is recently served as the Independent Administrator and has developed extensive institutional knowledge of Timor-Leste's extractive sector, reporting systems, and EITI implementation processes. Retaining EY will ensure continuity and minimise disruption to the reporting process.



- 2. Urgency of the Reporting Timeline:** The 2024 TL EITI Report must be completed within a limited timeframe to support Timor-Leste's upcoming EITI Validation, scheduled for January 2027. Undertaking a new competitive procurement process would likely result in delays that could adversely affect the reporting schedule.
- 3. Efficiency and Value for Money:** Direct sourcing will avoid the time and administrative costs associated with conducting a new procurement process while allowing the Independent Administrator to build on existing work. This approach will promote efficiency and deliver value for money.
- 4. Risk Mitigation:** Retaining EY will reduce implementation risks, preserve technical consistency, and support the timely delivery of a high-quality report that meets the requirements of the EITI Standard.

The meeting concluded with MSG members approving the proposal.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 10:45.



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Minutes approved and signed by MSG Member:

(Name)

(Signature)

1. Industry Representatives

Arturo San S

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2. SOE Representatives

Jose M. DA CONCEICAO

Junior

3. Government Representatives

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4. CSO Representatives

Januario Amaral

Lauren



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Meeting, 15 July 2026

AM 09:00 AM- 12:00 PM

TL-EITI Meeting Room, Palm Business

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4	João M. Maria da Conceição	Policy Analyst		
5	Apolinário Leite	Local Content SEM		
6	Jamardo Amaral	Coord. Local		
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