H.E. Jean Gustave Sanon  
Minister of Economy and Finance  
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03 B.P. 7008 Ouagadougou 03  
Burkina Faso

Re: Burkina Faso: TFSCB Grant No. TF017898  
Supporting Burkina Faso Open Data Initiative Project

Excellency:

In response to the request for financial assistance made on behalf of Burkina Faso ("Recipient"), I am pleased to inform you that the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association ("World Bank"), acting as administrator of grant funds provided by various donors ("Donor(s)" under the Multi Donor Trust Fund for Statistical Capacity Building, proposes to extend to the Recipient a grant in an amount not to exceed three hundred thousand United States Dollars (U.S.$300,000) ("Grant") on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this letter agreement ("Agreement"), which includes the attached Annex, to assist in the financing of the project described in the Annex ("Project").

This Grant is funded out of the abovementioned trust fund for which the World Bank receives periodic contributions from the Donors. In accordance with Section 3.02 of the Standard Conditions (as defined in the Annex to this Agreement), the World Bank's payment obligations in connection with this Agreement are limited to the amount of funds made available to it by the Donors under the abovementioned trust fund, and the Recipient's right to withdraw the Grant proceeds is subject to the availability of such funds.

The Recipient represents, by confirming its agreement below, that it is authorized to enter into this Agreement and to carry out the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this Agreement.

Please confirm the Recipient's agreement to the foregoing by having an authorized official of the Recipient sign and date the enclosed copy of this Agreement, and returning it to the World Bank. Upon receipt by the World Bank of this countersigned copy, this Agreement
shall become effective as of the date of the countersignature; provided, however, that the offer of this Agreement shall be deemed withdrawn if the World Bank has not received the countersigned copy of this Agreement within 90 days after the date of signature of this Agreement by the World Bank, unless the World Bank shall have established a later date for such purpose.

Very truly yours,
INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

By

Mercy M. Tembon
Country Manager for Burkina Faso
Africa Region

AGREED:
BURKINA FASO

By
Authorized Representative

Name: Jean Gustave Sathon
Title: Ministre de l’Economie et des Finances
Date: 20 January

Enclosures:

(2) Disbursement Letter of the same date as this Agreement, together with World Bank Disbursement Guidelines for Projects, dated May 1, 2006
Article I  
Standard Conditions; Definitions

1.01. **Standard Conditions.** The Standard Conditions for Grants Made by the World Bank out of Various Funds dated February 15, 2012 (“Standard Conditions”), with the modifications set forth in Section I of the Appendix to this Agreement, constitute an integral part of this Agreement.

1.02. **Definitions.** Unless the context requires otherwise, the capitalized terms used in this Agreement have the meanings ascribed to them in the Standard Conditions or in this Agreement.

(a) “BODI” and “Burkina Faso Open Data Initiative” each means the initiative launched by the Recipient in June 2014 which makes available to the public datasets from the Recipient’s ministries, with the aim of driving economic growth, boosting innovation and demonstrating transparency.

(b) “Ministry of Digital Economy” means the Recipient’s ministry responsible for digital economy.

(c) “Open Data” means the Recipient’s datasets, in a machine-readable format, that can be accessible to anyone for reuse.

(d) “Project Implementation Manual” means the manual described in Section 2.03 (b) of the Annex to this Agreement.

(e) “PIU” and “Project Implementation Unit” each means the unit in charge of implementing the World Bank-financed West Africa Regional Communications Infrastructure Program Burkina Faso Project, dated July 4, 2001 (Grant No. H712-BF), created pursuant to the Recipient’s Ministry of Transport, Posts and Digital Economy Decision No. 2001-044/MIHU/MTT/MOCFB dated September 13, 2001 and referred to in paragraph 2.03 (a) of this annex.

Article II  
Project Execution

2.01. **Project Objectives and Description.** The objectives of the Project are: (i) to support the implementation and launch of the Burkina Faso Open Data Initiative (“BODI”) in implementing tangible actions and recommendations emanating out of the country’s Open Data Readiness Assessment (ODRA) and the action plan; and (ii) to target the Water and Disaster Risk Management sectors as key drivers for a tangible and visible implementation using data via smart and mobile enabled applications to address critical drought risk in Burkina Faso.

The Project consists of the following parts:
(a) Supporting the development and launch of BODI via technical support to the Open Data platform and demand-side stimulation events.

(b) Carrying out capacity building activities for the National Statistical Office on Open Data, including on awareness-raising of their importance and their role.

(c) Identifying, collecting and opening key drought related data.

(d) Developing a national Open Data platform to allow citizen participation and linkage with other activities.

(e) Developing a crowd sourced and open data map included in the open data platform for dams aiming at providing a prevention and emergency response tool for all stakeholders.

(f) Providing a decision aid tool for water infrastructure management.

(g) Developing a mobile app to crowd-source and monitor dams infrastructure and water supply.

(h) Engaging with local communities in the digitization and monitoring of local water infrastructure and services critical in the management of floods and dams maintenance.

(i) Capacity-building for public and private stakeholders and encouraging the private sector to share its data and develop innovative and cost-efficiency solutions.

(j) Carrying out regular demand-side activities such as application challenges, hackathons, hack-at-homes (inclusive of Burkinabe living abroad) and journalist boot camps.

(k) Organizing regional and international initiatives and events and regional/international exchanges to improve knowledge sharing.

2.02. **Project Execution Generally.** The Recipient declares its commitment to the objectives of the Project. To this end, the Recipient shall carry out the Project in accordance with the provisions of: (a) Article II of the Standard Conditions; (b) the “Guidelines on Preventing and Combating Fraud and Corruption in Projects Financed by IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants”, dated October 15, 2006 and revised in January 2011 (“Anti-Corruption Guidelines”); and (c) this Article II.

2.03. **Institutional and Other Arrangements.** Without limitations upon Section 2.02 above, the Recipient shall:

(a) maintain throughout the implementation of the Project, the Project Implementation Unit (“PIU”), with resources and staff in number and with terms of reference satisfactory to the World Bank, to be responsible for the day to day implementation of the Project.

(b) Carry out the Project in accordance with the implementation manual (“Project Implementation Manual”) containing, *inter alia*, detailed guidelines and procedures for the implementation of the Project, including in the areas of monitoring and evaluation, procurement, coordination, financial, and administrative procedures; as the same may be amended by agreement of the Recipient and the World Bank from
time to time. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of the Project Implementation Manual and those of this Agreement, this Agreement shall prevail.

2.04. **Donor Visibility and Visit.** (a) The Recipient shall take or cause to be taken all such measures as the World Bank may reasonably request to identify publicly the Donors’ support for the Project.

(b) For the purposes of Section 2.09 of the Standard Conditions, the Recipient shall, upon the World Bank’s request, take all measures required on its part to enable the representatives of the Donors to visit any part of the Recipient’s territory for purposes related to the Project.

2.05. **Project Monitoring, Reporting and Evaluation.** (a) The Recipient shall monitor and evaluate the progress of the Project and prepare Project Reports in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.06 of the Standard Conditions and on the basis of indicators acceptable to the World Bank. Each Project Report shall cover the period of one calendar semester, and shall be furnished to the World Bank not later than forty five (45) days after the end of the period covered by such report.

(b) The Recipient shall prepare the Completion Report in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.06 of the Standard Conditions. The Completion Report shall be furnished to the World Bank not later than six months after the Closing Date.

2.06. **Financial Management.** (a) The Recipient shall ensure that a financial management system is maintained in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.07 of the Standard Conditions.

(b) The Recipient shall ensure that interim unaudited financial reports for the Project are prepared and furnished to the World Bank not later than forty five (45) days after the end of each calendar quarter, covering the quarter, in form and substance satisfactory to the World Bank.

(c) The Recipient shall have its Financial Statements audited in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.07 (b) of the Standard Conditions. Each such audit of the Financial Statements shall cover the period of one fiscal year of the Recipient. The audited Financial Statements for each such period shall be furnished to the World Bank not later than six months after the end of such period.

2.07. **Procurement**

(a) **General.** All goods and consultants’ services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Grant shall be procured in accordance with the requirements set forth or referred to in:


(ii) Sections I and IV of the “Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants by World Bank Borrowers” dated
January 2011 (revised July 2014) ("Consultant Guidelines") in the case of consultants' services; and

(iii) the provisions of this Section, as the same shall be elaborated in the procurement plan prepared and updated from time to time by the Recipient for the Project in accordance with paragraph 1.18 of the Procurement Guidelines and paragraph 1.25 of the Consultant Guidelines ("Procurement Plan").

(b) Definitions. The capitalized terms used in the following paragraphs of this Section to describe particular procurement methods or methods of review by the World Bank of particular contracts, refer to the corresponding method described in Sections II and III of the Procurement Guidelines, or Sections II, III, IV and V of the Consultant Guidelines, as the case may be.

(c) Particular Methods of Procurement of Goods

(i) Except as otherwise provided in sub-paragraph (ii) below, goods shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of International Competitive Bidding.

(ii) The following methods, other than International Competitive Bidding, may be used for procurement of goods for those contracts which are specified in the Procurement Plan: (A) National competitive Bidding subject to the following additional provision: the Recipient shall use the Bank's standard bidding documents; and (B) Shopping.

(d) Particular Methods of Procurement of Consultants' Services

(i) Except as otherwise provided in item (ii) below, consultants' services shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of Quality- and Cost-based Selection.

(ii) The following methods, other than Quality- and Cost-based Selection, may be used for the procurement of consultants' services for those assignments which are specified in the Procurement Plan: Selection of Individual Consultants.

(e) Review by the World Bank of Procurement Decisions. The Procurement Plan shall set forth those contracts which shall be subject to the World Bank's Prior Review. All other contracts shall be subject to Post Review by the World Bank.

Article III
Withdrawal of Grant Proceeds

3.01. Eligible Expenditures. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Grant in accordance with the provisions of: (a) the Standard Conditions; (b) this Section; and (c) such additional instructions as the World Bank may specify by notice to the Recipient (including the "World Bank Disbursement Guidelines for Projects" dated May 2006, as revised from time to time by the World Bank and as made applicable to this Agreement pursuant to such instructions), to finance Eligible Expenditures as set forth in the following table. The table specifies the categories of Eligible Expenditures that may be financed out of the proceeds of the Grant ("Category"), the allocations of the amounts of the Grant to each Category, and the percentage of expenditures to be financed for Eligible Expenditures in each Category:
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<th>Category</th>
<th>Amount of the Grant Allocated (expressed in USD)</th>
<th>Percentage of Expenditures to be Financed (inclusive of Taxes)</th>
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<td>Goods, Training and consultants’ services under the Project</td>
<td>300,000</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>TOTAL AMOUNT</td>
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For the purpose of this Section, the term “Training” means the following expenditures incurred in providing training or workshops: (i) travel by participants and presenters to the training or workshop site; (ii) per diem allowances of such persons during the training or workshop; (iii) honoraria for the presenters; (iv) rental of facilities; (v) materials, supplies; and (vi) translation and interpretation services.

3.02. Withdrawal Conditions. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 3.01 of this Agreement, no withdrawal shall be made for payments made prior to the date of countersignature of this Agreement by the Recipient.

3.03. Withdrawal Period. The Closing Date referred to in Section 3.06 (c) of the Standard Conditions is July 31, 2016.

Article IV
Recipient’s Representative; Addresses

4.01. Recipient’s Representative. The Recipient’s Representative referred to in Section 7.02 of the Standard Conditions is its minister responsible for finance.

4.02. Recipient’s Address. The Recipient’s Address referred to in Section 7.01 of the Standard Conditions is:

Ministry of Economy and Finance  
(Ministère de l’Economie et des Finances)  
03 BP 7050  
Ouagadougou 03  
Burkina Faso

Cable: SESEGOUV  
Telex: 5555  
Facsimile: (226) 50-31-27-15

4.03. World Bank’s Address. The World Bank’s Address referred to in Section 7.01 of the Standard Conditions is:
International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and International Development Association
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433
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