# Opening Public Contracts in Mexico City

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### What are Public Contracts?

An agreement to perform a particular task to benefit the community at large that is financed by government funds.

### Why is important to open them?

Allows to track tenders and awards.

Allows to monitor implementation and how public contracts deliver services.

Delivery better value for money for government.

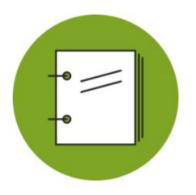
Prevent fraud and corruption.

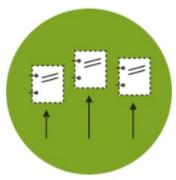
### Open Contracting Partnership

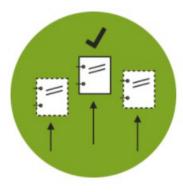
Emerged from an enthusiastic community of policy experts, leaders and campaigners who believe that better open data and more community engagement can transform public projects, goods and services.

They open up public contracting through disclosure, data and engagement so that the huge sums of money involved are spent honestly, fairly, and effectively.

### Contracting Process











### **Planning**

Including:
Budgets
Project plans
Procurement plans
Market studies
Public hearing info

### Tender

Including: Tender notices Specifications Enquiries

### **Award**

Including:
Details of award
Bidder information
Bid evaluations

### Contract

Including:
Final details
Signed contract
Amendments

### Implementation

Including:
Payments
Progress updates
Extensions
Amendments
Termination info

Data standards are the **rules** by which data are described and recorded. In order to share, exchange, and understand data, we must standardize the **format** as well as the **meaning**.

OCDS: a global non-proprietary standard structured to reflect the complete contracting cycle.

- Publish early, and iterate: improving disclosure step-by-step
- Simple and extensible JSON structure
- Publish data for each step of the contracting process
- Create summary records for an overall contracting process
- Re-useable objects: organizations, tender information, line-items, amounts, milestones, documents etc.
- Recommended data and documents at basic, intermediate & advanced levels.
- Common open data publication patterns.
- Guidance on improving data collection and data quality
- A growing community of users and range of open source tools

**Assessment** 

- What data systems do we have that hold contracting data?
- Which data systems hold data on each stage of a contracting process?
- Do you hold consistent identifiers for each contracting process, and for the parties to tenders and contracts?
- What technical resources do you have available to help in the implementation of Open Contracting?

**Assessment** 

Stage	Systems	Structured data?	Documents Published?	Revision history?	Access restrictions?
Planning					
Tender					
Award					
Contract					
Implementation					

It provides a **structured data model** for capturing in-depth information about all stages of the contracting process.

 The current canonical version of this data model is provided by a JSON Schema which describes field names, field definitions and structures for the data. The compliance of data with the Open Contracting Data Standard will be assessed against this schema.

Map data against Building Blocks of the data standard

```
"language": "en",
"ocid": "contracting-process-identifier",
"id": "release-id".
"date": "ISO-date",
"tag": ["tag-from-codelist"],
"initiationType": "tender",
"buyer": {},
"planning": {},
"tender": {},
"awards": [ {} ],
"contracts":[ {
    "implementation":{}
}]
```

Publish data in machine-readable releases and records.

**Releases** should be immutable objects, presenting information about a particular event in the lifetime of a contracting process.

Each release must contain an OCID, a unique release ID, a release tag, and as much information as can be provided for users to understand the event taking place.

Publish using publication patterns.

\* Upload basic contracting data and documents to web.

\*\* Provide machine-readable data.

\*\*\* Use the OCDS standard.

\*\*\*\* Provide API access to data.

\*\*\*\*\* Provide joined-up data.

Check the validation of your data.

Validator does a technical check on the way the data is structured and format.

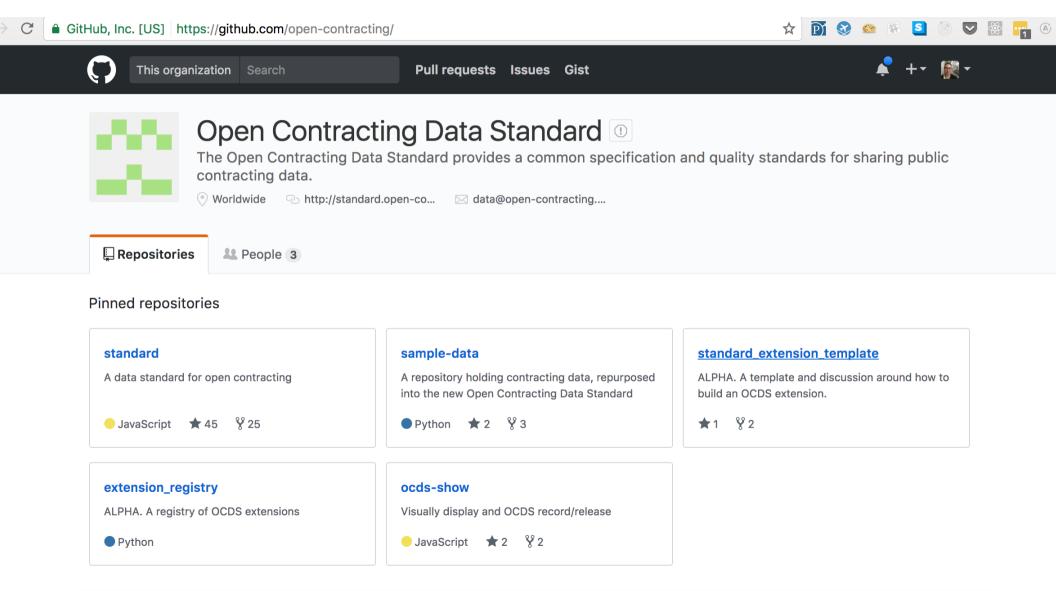
Conformance involves a detail check on whether OCDS terms are being used correctly.

Completeness involves checking sections and building blocks.

Utility involves checking whether the data is fit for purpose.

### Community Built

ongoing development

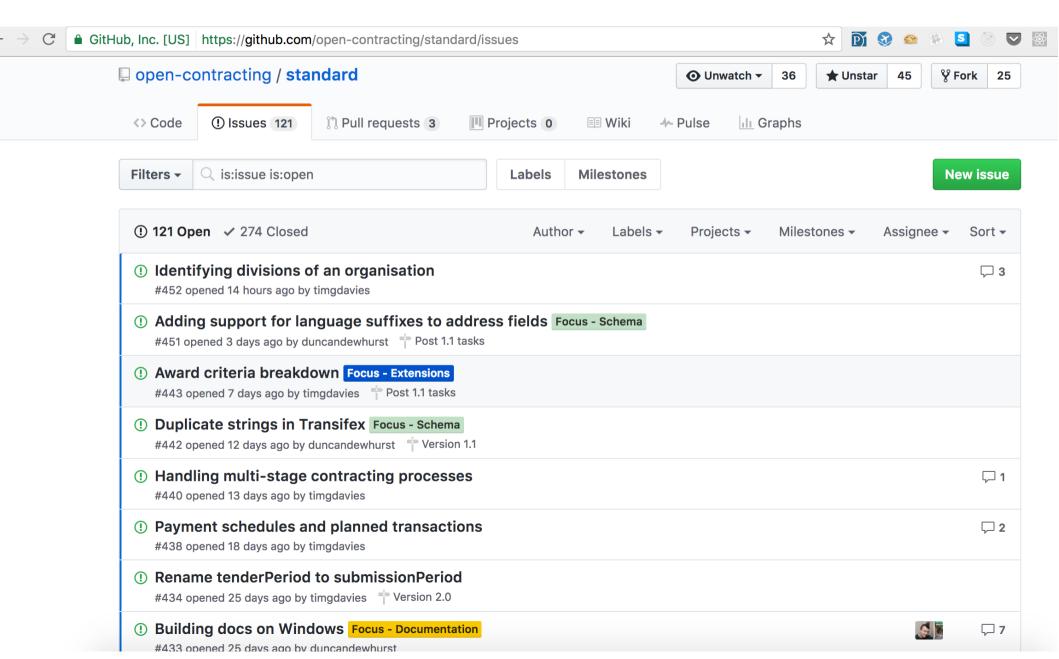


github.com/open-contracting/standard\_extension\_template

Type: All ▼

Language: All ▼

### **Extensions**



# History of releasing data in Mexico City

- Validated the standard in 2014 and was the first city to release its full contracting data from planning to implementation.
- A LOT of politics to push it forward.
- Starting small (department with technical capacity and willing to change processes).
- Civil society is a key actor (the ones holding use cases).
- Modify existing systems to capture needed data.

### **API & Visualizations**



① contratosabiertos.cdmx.gob.mx













# ¿Cómo compra tu gobierno?

La **CDMX** es la primera ciudad en el mundo en publicar información sobre todo su proceso de contrataciones.

TOTAL DE CONTRATOS FIRMADOS

222

MONTO TOTAL CONTRATADO (MXN)<sup>2</sup>

\$390 millones

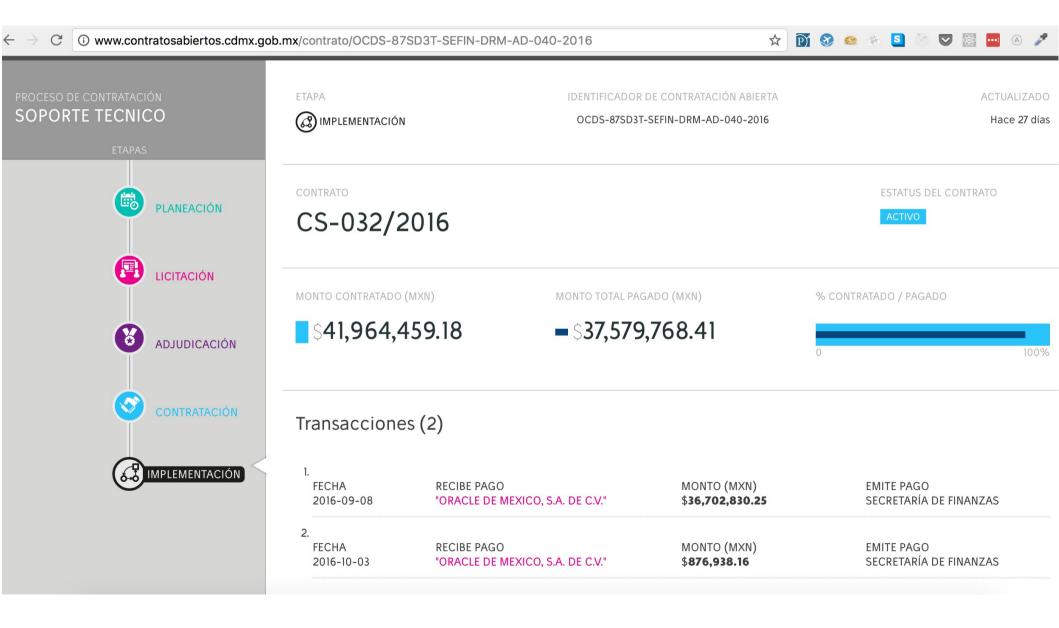
Explora las compras de la CDMX →

Conoce el proceso de una compra ↓

<sup>1</sup> Información disponible a partir de la implementación del estándar en 2015 en la Secretaría de Finanzas y 2017 en la Oficialía Mayor y Secretaría de Obras.

<sup>2</sup> El monto contratado es aproximado y corresponde a las contrataciones abiertas realizadas en pesos mexicanos, en los contratos individuales se pueden consultar los montos de otras divisas.

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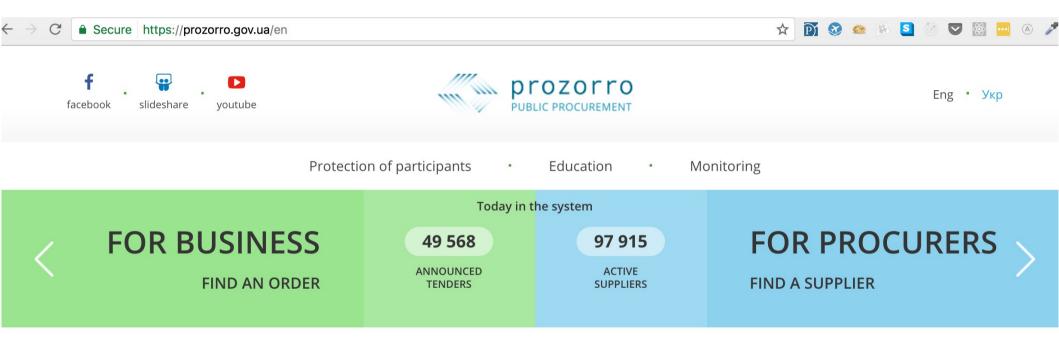


### Challenges

- Contracting Process Identifiers.
- "Useful" data.
- Involving civil society all the way.
- Pushing to open critical organisms.
- Process and culture on capturing data.

# Other places implementing OCDS

### Ukraine with Prozorro

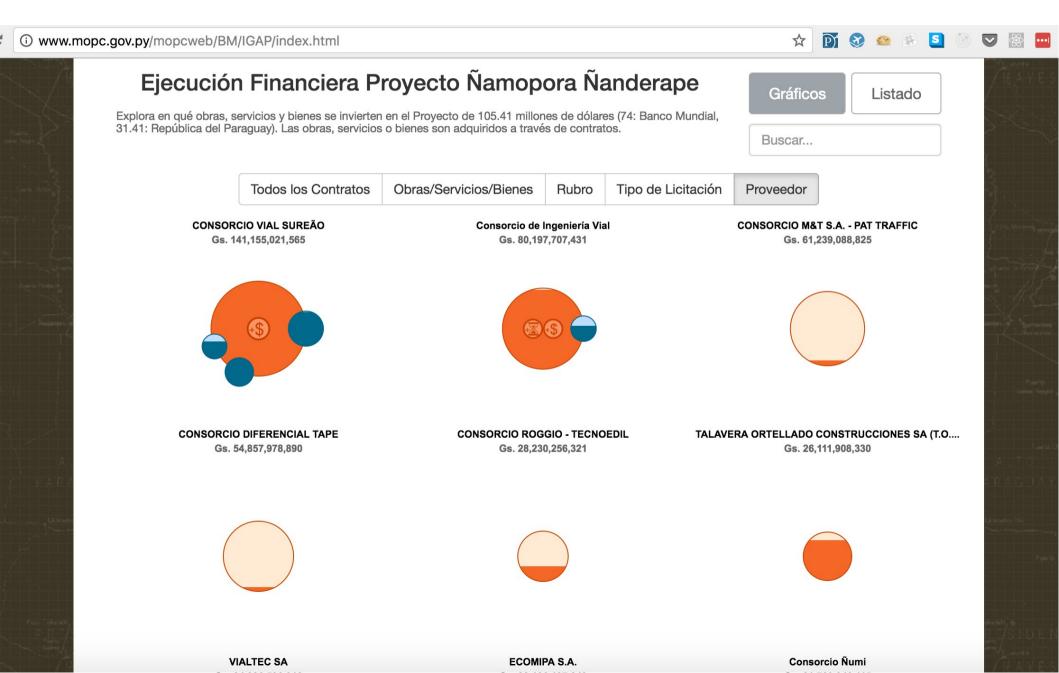


ProZorro is a public e-procurement system that has replaced old paper-based state tenders.

More information

SEARCH: Tenders Purchasing plans

# Other places implementing OCDS



### Thanks!

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