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## Webinar on Strengthening Fiscal Transparency in Challenging Times

On June 30, METAC the International Budget Partnership and FAD held a second webinar in a series of three on fiscal transparency, focusing on budget execution reporting and why this is important for METAC countries. The event was restricted to key stakeholders (Civil Society organizations and authorities) working on fiscal transparency. Authorities and CSOs presented country experience and practices while METAC focused on the main roadblocks hampering budget execution reporting in the region such as data availability and integrity and good practices to make progress. The participants then raised questions on how to conduct more regular PEFA evaluations and CSO also directly asked governments on budget documentation available and plans to improve transparency.