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| **Shared Framework Title** | Post-2015 On-the-Ground in Mexico |
| **Amount Requested** | $289,500 |
| **Detail on Amount Requested (Optional)** |  |
| **Background (Optional)** |  |
| **Summary of Plans and Relation to Overall Shared Framework Goals (100 words)** | The Post-2015 Mexico team has two primary focuses for 2015: (1) making the right to information more effective, building on momentum built behind the issue last year, and (2) continuing to build a conversation surrounding the links between public safety and development, despite a lack of attention by both the Mexican government and local civil society. The activities undertaken will aim not only to improve the situation on the ground in Mexico, but also to use the Mexican context to promote the right to information and public safety within the global sustainable development agenda. |
| **Activities Proposed (500 words)** | The Mexico team will be undertaking the following activities within its two main focuses:1. Right to Information* Use case studies on the right to information to support domestic and international advocacy on the use of indicators
* Highlight the connections between the Open Government Partnership (OGP) and the Post-2015 agenda leading up to the next international OGP meeting in Mexico
* Work with a grantee and the Mexican government to hold a series of workshops to discuss the right to information and develop a series of indicators for the new sustainable development goals

2. Public Safety* Work to increase the number of actors generating constructive and proactive dialogue by pressing for violence reduction goals and their effective monitoring
* Support initiatives developing tools and technical capacity for a lasting reduction in homicides and forced disappearances
* Engage key members of civil society, expert community, and private sector in conversations on links between security and development
* Support development of indicators for justice system reform and crime reduction in context of sustainable development goals
* Partner with Mexican organizations to hold workshops on public safety indicators

The full Mexico strategy can be viewed [here](https://karl.soros.org/communities/post-2015-mdgs-shared-framework/files/2015-country-global-advocacy-team-strategies/post-2015-updated-mexico-work-plan-01-15-final.docx/). |
| **Summary for Board Reports (100 words)** | The Mexico team is working to reinforce the existing focus on governance issues in the Post-2015 agenda and encourage Mexico’s inclusion of public safety issues. In particular, the team will work to: (1) increase debate about the Post-2015 agenda by bringing together civil society and government; (2) generate advocacy tools around indicators and measurement of access to information and public safety; and (3) generate a positive and proactive dialogue showcasing constructive Mexican experiences with public safety policies. The team will contribute to a number of initiatives lead by civil society actors working on access to information, justice and public safety data through indicators and measurement tools.  |
| **Collaborating Programs within OSF and essential partners or grantees** | Latin American Program, Open Society Justice Initiative, Human Rights Initiative, Fiscal Governance Program  |
| **Contributions expected from Collaborating Programs (250 words)** | The Mexico country team is composed of staff from the Open Society Justice Initiative, the Fiscal and Governance Program, the Human Rights Initiative and the Latin America Program. The programs are undertaking programmatic work in Mexico and collaborating to integrate it into the new Post-2015 framework. OSF already has substantial investments in the areas of right to information and citizen security in Mexico, and is well-positioned to draw on existing grantees and form new relationships to advance the inclusion of these issues in the Post-2015 MDGs agenda. The Latin America Program (LAP) is leading the country team, sharing recent updates on the field, managing consultancies, coordinating grant-making work, and identifying local initiatives to complement OSF’s international advocacy efforts. Country team members jointly discuss challenges and opportunities on the ground and assess proposals and funding opportunities. The global advocacy team from the Justice Initiative provides technical support, shares information on international developments, proposes advocacy strategies and identifies links between global and local activities. LAP is planning to co-fund projects related to access to information, right to access to justice and public safety, linking these efforts with LAP’s strategy on prioritizing homicide reduction. The Human Rights Initiative has budgeted $27,500 towards grants for the development of right to information case studies and justice indicators for use in national and international advocacy.  |
| **Statement of who within OSF would guide the work** | Angelica Zamora, Lauren Kimball, Leah Wissow |
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| **Approver (Lead)***(See list on* [*Reserve Funds KARL*](https://karl.soros.org/communities/reserves/view.html)*)* | Name | Pedro Abramovay |
| Date Approved | 19 March 2015 |
| **Approver (Lead) Notes / Comments (Optional)***(To be completed by approver only)* |  |
| **Urgency level for grant approval & payments** | [x]  **Not** Rapid Response  |  [ ]  Rapid Response *(See procedure on* [*KARL*](https://karl.soros.org/communities/reserves/files/ii.-policies/rapid-response-as-of-10-november-2014.docx/)*)* |
| **If approved, where to allocate the budget?** *(If the budget is split between multiple programs, please copy/paste this section as needed.)* | Amount | $289,500 |
| Category of Work | SHARED FRAMEWORK: Post-2015 On-the-Ground |
| Division/Program Code | Promoting and Defending Democratic Institutions (45040) |
| Entity *(i.e., FPOS, ZUG)* | FPOS |
| Fund Class *(i.e., Lobbying/Non-Lobbying)* | Non-Lobbying |
| Geography *(of benefit)* | Mexico |