Spanish guide to PPP risk allocation now available

Mexico City, Mexico // 3 October, 2016: A Spanish-language guide to help developing countries assess infrastructure investment risk for Public-Private Partnership (PPP) transport sector projects is now available through the Global Infrastructure Hub's website.

Speaking from Mexico City today, GI Hub Chief Executive Officer Chris Heathcote said that the translation of the transport sections of the Report on Allocating Risk in PPP Contracts could be useful for Spanish-speaking countries in planning for their PPP projects.

The PPP Risk Allocation tool, developed by the GI Hub in partnership with global law firm Norton Rose Fulbright, was launched earlier this year, designed to assist developing economies better assess potential infrastructure investment risk. Correct risk allocation is crucial to the success of PPP projects and, when not structured correctly, can stop projects from getting off the ground or cause failure in the financing, construction or operational stages.

The translation into Spanish of the transport sections of the Report was kindly funded by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB). The Spanish document includes the introductory sections of the original report, as well as all of the transport sector risk material. The GI Hub is hopeful that the remaining sections of the Report, dealing with Energy and Water/Waste, will be translated in the future.

The tool forms part of the GI Hub’s G20 commitment to deliver a suite of guidance on leading practices that will enable governments to take projects to market faster and more cost-effectively, and help to address the worldwide infrastructure gap.

The Spanish guide is available online at: http://globalinfrastructurehub.org/allocating-risks-in-ppps/la-asignacion-de-riesgos-en-los-contratos-de-asociacion-publico-privadas/

Mr Heathcote is in Mexico City for high-level consultations with senior Mexican Government officials.

He said he was interested in learning more about Mexico's infrastructure market, and particularly its move towards low-cost renewable energy and its first electricity auction earlier this year.

"The Mexican Government has embarked on a large-scale reform program focused on developing key infrastructure for its communities," Mr Heathcote said.

"This is an ambitious program and the GI Hub is keen to find out more about it."

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