

Policy on the Use of Unclassified (Open) Government Data

The Open Data Portal ("the Portal") of the Government of Bahrain, available through www.data.gov.bh, provides all interested parties with easy access to a wealth of off sourced, by the Central Informatics Organisation ("CIO"), from all Government entities based on their specific roles and responsibilities, and is made available through the including raw data and graphical representations.

Whilst the CIO shall spare no effort in enriching the Portal with up-to-date Data and statistics, use of the Data must adhere to, and by governed by, a number of principles overarching objectives and facilitates the dissemination of Data in line with Bahrain Government's strategy.

As such, the following Policy Principles shall be observed at all times:

1. Access to the Data shall be simple and straightforward;

The Portal shall be easy to use and designed intuitively in order to improve the user experience, shorten the time required to find Data, and lower the learning curve requ Portal. The Portal shall use open formats and be standards-based to enable wider compliance with prevalent practices, including those set by the W3C for readability and

2. The Portal shall be updated in a timely fashion;

Data shall be uploaded to the Portal as soon as it is received by the CIO. The CIO shall put in place the necessary mechanisms to automate this process as much as possibl Data to the public.

3. There shall be no restrictions on the use of the Data;

The Data shall be offered without classification and with no restrictions on use, re-use, dissemination, or publication thereof. Data made available on the Portal shall have affecting its validity.

4. The Data formats used shall be open;