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Introduction



We trust you all had a good and restful holiday and you are rejuvenated to respond to the opportunities and challenges of the year 2023. We officially resumed our operations across all regions today, the 9th of January 2023, and we are ready for yet another busy but promising year. The National Association of Non-Governmental Organisations (NANGO) Board and Secretariat would like to express their profound gratitude to you for the great commitment and support demonstrated throughout the year 2022. The year 2022 was certainly a year like no other. Not only for NANGO but for all Civil Society Organisations (CSOs), 2022 was one of the most challenging years, cognisant of the experiences, complexities, and anxieties that we were subjected to owing to diverse factors, chief among them being the shrinking civic space.

On the socio-economic side, the economy has been confronted with various challenges, which include price and exchange rate instability, low investment, high inflation, multiple exchange rates, unsustainable debt levels, ineffective control of public spending, and limited structural transformation. Despite these challenges, we are proud of the results we achieved as NANGO and you, our members towards the betterment of the lives of the general populace. We appreciate the firmness and resilience you demonstrated in very difficult circumstances. You remain unwavering in the quest to address the various needs of the people of Zimbabwe.

As we begin 2023, we note that the threat of the closure of civic space is still with us with the passing of the Private Voluntary Organisation (PVO) Amendment Bill at the National Assembly. As a result, defending and improving civic space in pursuit of an enabling CSO operating environment will remain a top priority for the year. We note the need to strengthen civil society voices and enhance coordination, convening, and collaboration amongst CSOs, with the imperative to strengthen CSO impact and operational efficiencies. Improving NANGO's value proposition to its membership as a convener and coordinating organization as well as making the NANGO brand more attractive to Zimbabwean CSOs can never be overemphasised.

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This year, we also seek to further strengthen NANGO the institution to become a solid platform for advocacy, lobbying, and policy influencing in matters related to the CSO operating environment as well as national development issues. We envision an NGO sector that will increasingly converge and develop a unified voice in the quest to influence policies, laws, regulations, and funding practices that have a bearing on the civil society operating environment in the country. We aspire to better connect, convene and coordinate diverse groups of NGOs in Zimbabwe through the creation of spaces and platforms for experience sharing, mutual learning, multistakeholder engagement, linking networks, and alliances as well as strengthening civic voices.

It is equally imperative to keep the government accountable to its promises and commitments for political and socio-economic turnaround and reforms. Thus, we encourage **you** to play your critical role pre, during, and post-elections to ensure free, fair, credible, and **peaceful** elections. We encourage **you** to effectively contribute towards electoral integrity during the upcoming elections. However, we continue to encourage all our members to stick to our non-partisan character, remain within our mandate, and acquire the necessary accreditation to conduct elections-related work.

We are only able to achieve our vision through your continued support. Here is to a prosperous 2023! We look forward to working together in the new year.



Public Announcement

To Our Members, Stakeholders & Partners

We would like to notify you that we have, as of today the 9th of January 2023, officially opened our offices and resumed operations across all regions. Feel free to visit our offices or call us at +263 242 70876 / +263 242 794973 / +263 242 703599.

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Updates From NANGO

Ernest Nyimai Appointed NANGO Executive Director



The National Association of Non-Governmental Organisations (NANGO) National Executive Committee (NEC) appointed Ernest Nyimai to a one-year term as the Executive Director with effect from 1 January 2023. Ernest has worked as Acting Executive Director of the association since the 1st of April 2022, when the National Board entrusted him to help lead the association through the transition period. This resulted from the unfortunate and untimely death of the former executive director, Leonard Mandishara, in February 2022.

The appointment was a result of the recognition of Ernest's passion, significant knowledge and understanding of the association, his deep knowledge of the Non-Profit Organisation (NPO) sector, especially the civic space in Zimbabwe, and his overall performance during the transition.

"The Board was impressed with Ernest's ability, during his acting period, to integrate the founding values of NANGO that seek to empower member organisations and build their capacity to deliver on their mandates and ensure that Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that had been elusive to achieve are on track Leaving No One Behind," said NANGO spokesperson, Dr. Phiri.

The appointment provides continuity and stability to the NPO sector during a time of continued uncertainty, as Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) navigate the fallout from the pandemic, shrinking civic space owing to the gazetted Private Voluntary Organisations (PVO) Amendment Bill, administrative and operational issues such as clearance letters and Memorandum of Understandings among other things. Among his immediate tasks is the implementation of a three-year strategic plan, which the association expects to finalise and approve soon.

"His ability to consult and interface with all stakeholders, partners, and beneficiaries will be instrumental in advancing the NANGO Vision and Mission," Dr. Phiri commented

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“I’m honoured to have this opportunity and grateful to the staff and association for their support and guidance. Our members are at the core of what makes NANGO what it is today. I hope to do better in this new assignment and become a role model for all those who look up to me. Together, we can build an association that is fit for purpose,”

On the occasion of the 2023 official opening staff meeting where he confirmed his appointment as the Executive Director, Ernest said, “2023 is set to be another exciting year for me and the rest of the NANGO team. We are looking forward to working further on the many initiatives to deliver the best services, making NANGO an outstanding meeting place for all CSOs. To achieve this, fundraising and resource mobilisation will remain the top priority for all of us as we seek to build a million-dollar association by 2025.”

“I want to thank the NANGO staff for their continued commitment and effort. Every one of us has an important role to play in the work ahead, and I’m confident that together we will achieve great things,” said Ernest.

The National Association of Non-Governmental Organisations (NANGO) is the official voluntary coordinating body of registered Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), in their diversity, operating in Zimbabwe. NANGO is registered as a Private Voluntary Organisation (PVO) under the PVO Act Chapter [17:05]. It is a non-partisan, non-profit making and non-denominational organisation mandated to strengthen the voice of NGOs for the betterment of the people in Zimbabwe. NANGO’s operations are guided by its constitution which is the supreme operational document that governs the conduct of the NANGO secretariat, board, and members.



Notice of Executive Director Appointment

Congratulations!

We are pleased to announce the appointment of **Mr. Ernest Nyimai** as the **Executive Director** of the National Association of Non-Governmental Organisations (NANGO) effective from 01 January 2023.

May God give you the grace to discharge your duties efficiently towards actualising the NANGO vision and mission.



Ernest Nyimai

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Nango's response to the deregistration of Private Voluntary Organisation notice

Dear Member, Partner, or Stakeholder,

Harare, Zimbabwe – The National Association of Non-Governmental Organisations (NANGO) has taken note of the notice of deregistered Private Voluntary Organisations (PVOs) issued by the Ministry of Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare in the Sunday Mail of 22 January 2023. We would like to inform our members, stakeholders, and partners that we have gone through the list of deregistered organisations and none of them are active members of NANGO. These organisations have been deregistered in accordance with Section 10 of the Private Voluntary Organisations Act [Chapter 17:05] due to non-compliance, especially failure to submit annual returns for more than 10 years. Information gathered by NANGO has reviewed that these organisations have failed to submit their Audited Financial Statements and Annual Narrative Reports as required in the PVO Act.

We urge our members not to panic and despair because of this development. However, PVOs are strongly encouraged to comply with the Act in pursuit of safeguarding our operating space as legitimate development actors. For those facing challenges in submitting their annual returns, please share with your respective regional coordinator for us to find ways of assisting you.

As NANGO, we note with concern the shrinking civic space for CSOs and existential threats posed against CSOs due to the proposed PVO Amendment Bill, and operational and administrative requirements such as Memoranda of Understandings (MOUs) and clearance letters at the local government level. If passed, this bill would pose a serious threat to CSOs, particularly those currently registered as Trusts and Common Law Universitas as they would be required to register as PVOs. This would significantly weaken the voice of CSOs on human rights violations and their demand for accountability, as this could easily be misinterpreted as meddling in politics.

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Zimbabwe's #HeForShe Campaign Group Is Placing Gender Equality At The Heart Of Development Cooperation



Co-Chairs of the #HeForShe Campaign Group of Diplomats in Zimbabwe: the UN Women Zimbabwe Country Representative-Ms. Fatou Lo and the EU Ambassador Jobst von Kirchmann at the #HeForShe dialogue in Harare, Zimbabwe:

Photo: European Union in Zimbabwe

Members of the #HeForShe Campaign Group of Diplomats in Zimbabwe officially welcomed the European Union Ambassador Jobst von Kirchmann as the incoming Co-Chairperson of the group on the 7th of December 2022 in Harare as part of the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence. The event, co-hosted by UN Women Zimbabwe and the European Union Delegation with support from the Spotlight Zimbabwe technical Team, created an opportunity for delegates to discuss Sexual Harassment and Exploitation in the workplace.

A total of ninety delegates participated in the event, including Heads of Missions, the UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator, Heads of UN Agencies, business leaders, Civil Society Organisations, the Confederation of Zimbabwe Industries, artists, Youth Innovators Against Gender-Based Violence, and members of the media. The UN Women Zimbabwe Country Representative, Ms. Fatou Lo, and the EU Ambassador, Jobst von Kirchmann, took time to appreciate the leadership and contributions of the British Embassy as the Outgoing Co-Chairing Mission for the #HeForShe Campaign Group. Among other achievements, the British Embassy

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advocated for the participation of business leaders in the #HeForShe Movement, working closely with the Confederation of Zimbabwe Industries (CZI) and UN Women. The British Embassy also inspired the campaign group of diplomats to jointly advocate for eliminating sexual harassment and exploitation in the workplace.

At the event, the EU ambassador revealed that they have placed gender equality at the centre of development cooperation, which is aptly reflected in the Multi-annual Indicative Programme for Zimbabwe 2021-2027. In addition, the EU has set itself an ambitious target of ensuring that at least 85% of all its new programmes will have gender equality and women and girls' empowerment as a principal or a significant objective. Working collectively as 'Team Europe', the EU and its Member States, together with Switzerland, are making over €200M available for 2021-2027 towards gender equality and women's empowerment in Zimbabwe. In addition, the EU fully financed the Spotlight Initiative, a joint EU-UN partnership, to eliminate violence against women and girls to the tune of USD 30M from 2019-2023. The EU will also continue to build on the gains of the Spotlight Initiative by supporting the Government of Zimbabwe and other stakeholders to implement the High-Level Political Compact, signed at the highest level of the State, for enhanced GBV prevention and response.



“Whether in times of peace or conflict, violence against women, be it physical, psychological or sexual, is never acceptable, tolerable or excusable.”
UN Women Country Representative- Ms. Fatou Lo



“It is time for action, and we must stand to be counted for our actions now and today.”
United Nations Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator in Zimbabwe- H.E. Edward Kallon



“Promoting Gender Equality should be our lifestyle throughout the 365 days of the year.”
Confederation of Zimbabwe Industries Vice President -Mr. Mucha Mkanganwi



“We should speak out against gender inequality, support initiatives that seek to promote gender equality and use our influence to challenge the status quo.”
European Union Ambassador- H.E. Jobst von Kirchmann

Key Messages: #HeForShe Dialogue in commemoration of the 16 Days of Activism against GBV, 7 December 2022, Harare, Zimbabwe

The #HeForShe Campaign Group was launched in 2018 by UN Women in Zimbabwe as part of the #HeForShe Movement. It is a network of diplomats who come together to cross-share experiences and ideas on gender equality and male engagement, promote peer-to-peer accountability and jointly advocate for gender equality and women's empowerment while fulfilling their commitments at a professional and personal level. Currently, the campaign group has 15 Heads of Missions and 6 Heads of UN Agencies.

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BUDGET MATTERS

 A final note from the IBP Outgoing Executive Director to our partners

Warren Krafchik

Executive Director, International Budget Partnership



Welcome to a new year and my final message as executive director of the International Budget Partnership. A year ago, I announced that I would be stepping down as Executive Director. It has been an extraordinary privilege to lead IBP for 21 years.

I am enormously grateful and proud of what we have been able to accomplish—together in partnership—over the past two decades. When IBP was launched, the notion that civic actors worldwide would participate in public budgets was almost unthinkable. Today, there is a vast and diverse network of social movements, think tanks and advocacy organizations across 120 countries that influence how public money is raised and spent. Powerful international institutions—and an increasing number and diversity of governments and oversight agencies on every continent—now value and endorse the public’s role in budgets. The momentum is undeniable and growing.

Yet the challenges we face are great and ensuring that open budget practices translate into real change in people’s lives is more urgent than ever. In the pandemic’s wake, country budgets are hobbled by spiralling needs, reduced revenues, and rising debt repayments. Underserved communities are bearing the brunt. Democracy is under threat, and it will remain fragile until governments can deliver economic and social progress for all.

To realize this worthy and complicated challenge requires deeper investments and partnerships to shift power, embolden reforms and achieve systemic results. The budget remains government’s most powerful tool for economic justice. We need community groups, civil society, reform champions, and oversight institutions working together to ensure government delivers for all people.

We look forward to introducing my successor who will be leading IBP in this next chapter on February 1. Thank you for being on this journey with us, and for staying the distance, as we continue to build an ever more inclusive and powerful movement to make budgets work for people.

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Zimbabwe Election Support Network
PROMOTING DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS IN ZIMBABWE

Preliminary Report on the Legal and Statistical Analysis of the ZEC Preliminary Delimitation Report in Zimbabwe

The delimitation of electoral boundaries into wards and constituencies is a critical aspect of constitutional states that follow the principle of representative democracy. The size of wards and constituencies can determine election outcomes, and this makes delimitation a contested political space. Between October and December 2022, the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC) commenced the Boundary Delimitation process of demarcating electoral boundaries in Zimbabwe. The last delimitation exercise was conducted in 2007 in preparation of the 2008 harmonised elections. In this regard, certain fundamental changes had to be expected for the 2022 delimitation process in relation to boundaries, size of wards and constituencies and population figures.

The delimitation process takes place once in every ten years and is done after the conducting of the Population census. Public debate ensued upon ZEC releasing the Preliminary 2022 Delimitation Exercise Report. This study adds to the public debate by making a critical legal and statistical analysis into the ZEC 2022 Preliminary Delimitation Report. ZESN believes in the integrity of the electoral process, and regards the delimitation exercise and its outputs as fundamental to the achievement of free, fair and credible elections.

Further, it is the view of ZESN that subjecting public documents to critical scrutiny and comment is necessary in a constitutional society that is built on democracy, transparency, accountability, the rule of law and justice. Accordingly, this study provides key findings and recommendations and urges ZEC to consider these recommendations in developing the Final Delimitation Report for the 2023 general elections.

To read the full report, visit the link below:

<https://www.nangozim.org/publication-categories/reports-and-publications/>

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ERC STATEMENT ON THE PRELIMINARY DELIMITATION REPORT

On 26th December 2022, the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC) took a significant step toward fair representation for all Zimbabwean voters by submitting the Preliminary Delimitation Report to the President of Zimbabwe. The preliminary report presents the wards and constituencies as delimited by the Commission during the delimitation exercise.

While the report has generally resulted in a more equitable distribution of voters across the 210 constituencies in Zimbabwe, the Election Resource Centre (ERC) notes concerns raised by stakeholders on the report. Main concerns being the calculation of the allowable 'variance' for the number of registered voters per constituency and ward.

The alleged erroneous methodology used to calculate the variance potentially discredits the delimitation process.

The underlying principle of the delimitation process is to ensure the equality of the vote. Hence, the ERC urges the Commission to address the concerns raised by stakeholders. The failure to adequately address the issues raised may result in the final delimitation report being contested and thus affecting its use for the 2023 Harmonised Elections. A return to the pre-existing 2007/2008 boundaries goes against the principles of the equality of the vote as the boundaries of the current constituencies and wards are grossly unequal. Inclusivity and transparency in addressing the concerns raised will ensure buy-in of all relevant stakeholders.

The Electoral Commission (EC) is expected to ensure maximum transparency of the procedures and their outcome. This is vital to guarantee the credibility of the electoral process, secure the confidence of the voters and respect the aspirations of the Constitution.

Given the short time remaining for the delimitation report to be adopted for the 2023 Harmonised Election. ERC calls on all significant stakeholders, in particular the Electoral Commission, Parliament, and Political Parties, to step up, address the issues brought up, and carry out their mandates.

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SADC-CNGO Statement on the Death of Eswatini Human Rights Lawyer, Adv Thulani Maseko



Thulani Maseko
Human Rights Lawyer

“
THULANI MASEKO WAS NOT ONLY
MARTYRED FOR HIS FAITH IN
DEMOCRACY AND RULE OF LAW BUT
WAS COLD – BLOODEDLY MURDERED
FOR HIS DEFIANCE AGAINST
DRACONIAN LAWS AND ABUSE OF
POWER BY THE HIGHEST AUTHORITY OF
THE LAND”

Sons and daughters of Africa, it is with deep sadness that the Southern Africa Development Community Council of Non-governmental Organisations (SADC – CNGO) received the tragic news of the untimely demise of Adv Thulani Maseko, the Chairperson of Multi-stakeholder Forum (MSF), a well-known human rights activist and combatant defender for democracy in the Kingdom of Eswatini.

As SADC -CNGO, has been following events highlighting the volatility of the political landscape in the Kingdom, the untimely death of Adv Maseko on the 21st January 2023, where he was gunned down in cold blood by yet to be identified assassins, was precipitated by a series of incidents that involved abductions, torture and extra-judicial killings of pro-democracy activists who were voices of resistance to oppression by the state on innocent lives.

This untimely death of our comrade and compatriot is a culmination of incessant persecution he had endured over the years including when he was arrested in 2014 and sentenced to two years in prison. That arbitrary arrest followed the publication of his articles condemning political interference in the judiciary of the Kingdom. During his imprisonment, we learnt then that he was subjected to cruel and inhuman treatment, which were also characterised by solitary confinement deliberately inflicted with the purpose to instil fear in his resolve to fight for the liberation and democracy of the people of the Kingdom.

To our disappointment at the time, after our regional body SADC had implored authorities and the Head of State to engage role -players and stakeholders on national dialogue, the government had failed to demonstrate its commitment to the process called by the regional

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body. The government deliberately rebuffed efforts to chart the Kingdom on a new trajectory that embodies a true reassurance for protection and safety of citizens including civil society leadership who were representing progressive movements in the Kingdom.

It is in this regard, we believe, that the assassination of Adv Thulani Maseko is part of a well-orchestrated agenda by the state to systematically silence pro-democracy voices.

It is worth noting that this brutal assassination of the Adv Maseko is one of the latest escalating incidents where public protestation for good governance are responded to by arbitrary arrests and detention of citizens, internet shutdown and blanket ban on political protests.

The political situation in Eswatini has reached boiling point that may culminate in further unnecessary loss of lives. In this regard, the SADC-CNGO call for the following to be immediately implemented in the Kingdom:

1. Setting up of an Independent Commission of Inquiry on the death of Advocate Thulani Maseko led by the regional body, SADC ;
2. An end to the intimidation, torture, and arrest of pro-democracy and human rights activists in Eswatini,
3. SADC to facilitate a multi-stakeholder dialogue for all pro-democracy and human rights forces in Eswatini and those who are in exile,
4. The Government of Eswatini must create conducive environment for civil society activism and broader political engagement on the future of the country as is enshrined in the regional and continental instruments such as the African Union Charter on Democracy, Elections and Governance (ACDEG).

We mourn the passing of this distinguished son of the soil, who has left indelible mark on defending human rights in the Kingdom and the entire region. We convey our heartfelt condolences to the entire bereaved family, especially his wife and children who witnessed an ordeal and the price paid by their father.

MAY THE ALMIGHTY GOD REST HIS SOUL IN ETERNAL PEACE
Aluta Continua!!!!

Monametsi Sokwe – SADC Council of NGOs Act Executive Director
For and on Behalf of SADC CNGO members and Exco



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METED AGAINST THE PEOPLE OF
ESWATINI, MERELY FOR ADVOCATING
FOR THEIR RECOGNIZED FUNDAMENTAL
HUMAN RIGHTS, INCLUDING POLITICAL
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Transparency International Zimbabwe Corruption Perceptions Index Launch



I encourage you to carefully consider the theme of this year's report *"Corruption, Conflict and Security"*, and make a commitment to activate anti-corruption activities in your own spheres of influence

Isheanesu Chirisa
Board Chair, Transparency International Zimbabwe



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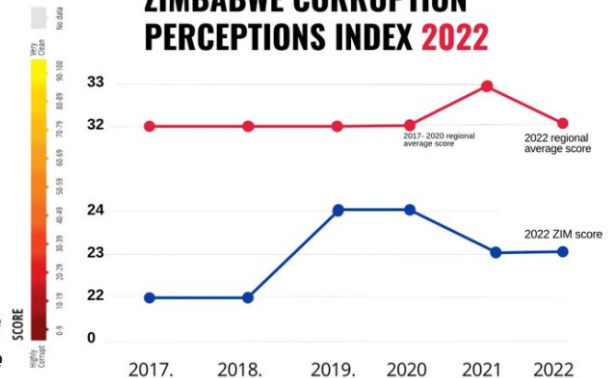
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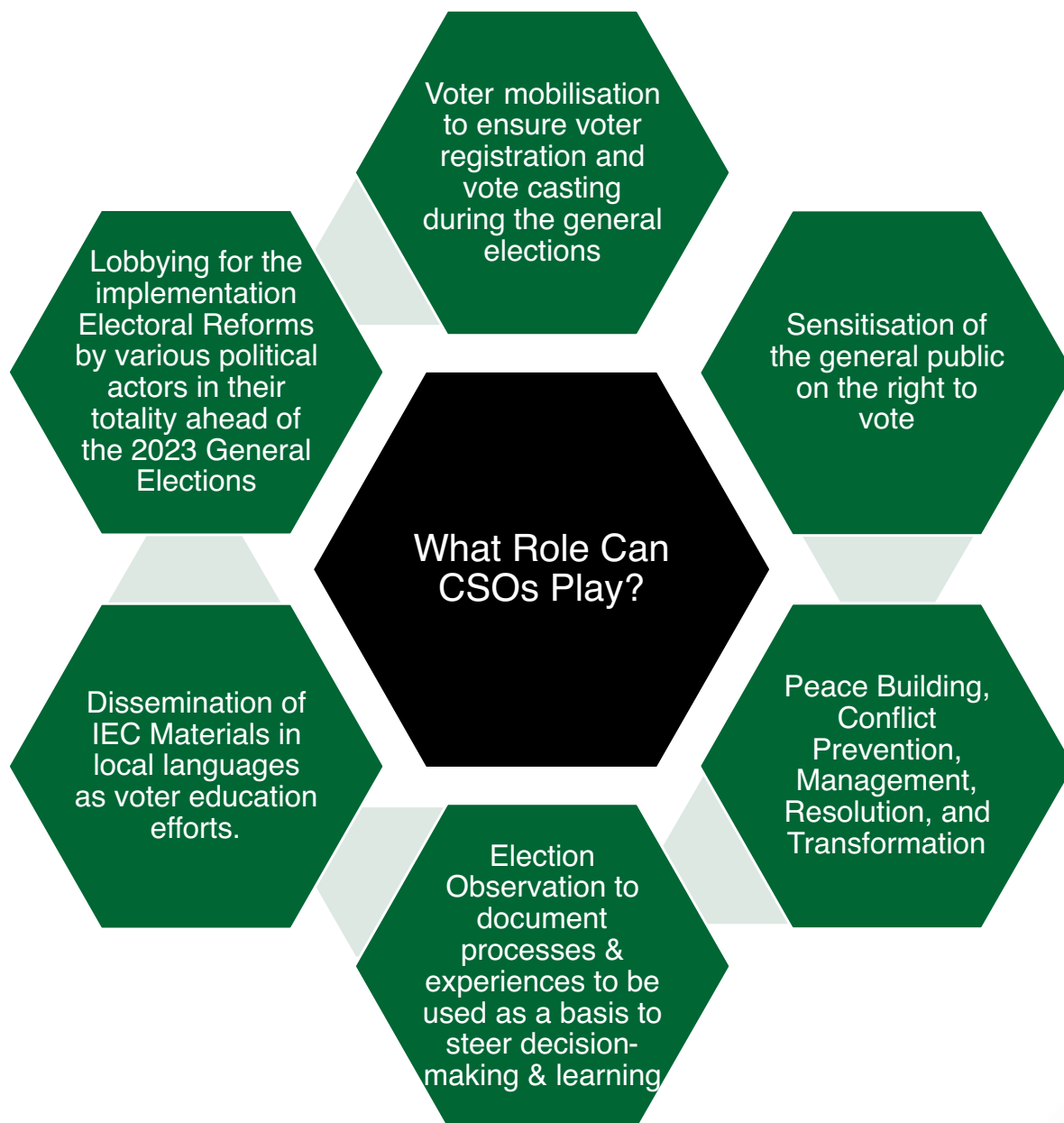
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2023 Elections Watch



Did You Know?

Through the #IprayIvote campaign, ZCC came up with documents which became known as Ecumenical Elections Covenants.

These covenants were outcomes from nationwide dialogues between clergy and laity from ZCC. The covenant unravelled the hopes, expectations & aspirations of Christians on elections in their respective localities

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- Diabetes
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OPEN CALL FOR RESEARCH PROPOSALS ON DRUG AND SUBSTANCE USE IN THE SADC REGION

Students and Youth Working on reproductive Health Action Team (SAYWHAT) core mandate is to promote responsible sexual and reproductive health behavior using various communication and advocacy models. At the center of the advocacy, is the aspect of credible information to influence informed decision making by young people. The desire to ensure credible information to aid advocacy has led to the establishment of a research unit, which is a home for young researchers. In 2022, SAYWHAT recruited and sponsored 30 research fellows drawn from private and public tertiary institutions in the SADC region to conduct researches with the tutelage of research professors under the 1st cohort. The research fellows were focusing on different areas of investigation including Drugs and Substance Abuse (DSA).

In November 2022, a research indaba was convened in Harare where selected nine fellows (including those that focused on Drug and Substance Abuse) disseminated their research findings before an audience. The audience was composed of established researchers, Deans of Students, policy makers and development partners. These shared recommendations on the presented papers for future studies. Among the feedback was the need to investigate more into DSA which has become topical over the recent months in tertiary institutions and communities. Resultantly SAYWHAT resolved to pursue DSA and is therefore announcing the call for research proposals focusing on Drug and Substance Use. This programme seeks to conduct a further inquiry on Drug and Substance Abuse in Southern Africa. All tertiary education students within the SADC region are eligible to respond to this call. Interested tertiary education students in the SADC region are invited to submit proposals on one of the following sub-topics;

- Root cause analysis (Causes of DSA in different SADC countries)
- Mitigation strategies
- Roles played by various institutions and their effectiveness on addressing DSA
- Policy frameworks addressing DSA (Including penalties on drug peddlers)

NB. You may include any other issues that relate to DSA.

The proposal should not exceed 500 words. Proposals should highlight the following; research topic, research problem, objectives of the study, and the methodology to be used. Blind adjudication of the proposals will be done by a team of seasoned academics. Successful applicants will have an opportunity to take part in an intensive 4-months research mentorship program. Full details and benefits will be disclosed to successful applicants. Persons with disabilities (PWD), and female students are highly encouraged to respond to this call.

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IPDC Call for proposals 2023

Deadline: 10 February, 2023

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For more details: <https://www.unesco.org/en/international-programme-development-communication/projects>

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For more information, please visit:

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WHO WE ARE



OVERVIEW

The National Association of Non-Governmental Organisations (NANGO) is the official voluntary coordinating body of registered NGOs in their diversity operating in Zimbabwe. It is a non-partisan, non-profit making and non-denominational organisation mandated to strengthen the voice of NGOs for the betterment of the people in Zimbabwe. Administratively, NANGO is decentralised into five regional offices that coordinate the activities of the CSOs in all ten provinces of Zimbabwe.

Cognisant of diversity of membership, members are clustered into 10 thematic sectors in line with their programmatic focus and these are; Media, Arts and Culture, Children, Disability, Economic, Health, Human Rights, Humanitarian, Land and Environment, Women, AND Youth. Concomitantly NANGO bears the responsibility of unifying these various sectors by creating spaces for collaboration, networking, knowledge exchange, mutual support, and the development of common best practices.



OUR OBJECTIVES

The association exists to fulfil the following objectives:

1. To promote, coordinate and organise the participation and contribution of Non-Governmental Organisations in Zimbabwe in the development discourse of Zimbabwe.
2. To promote and facilitate the collective agenda-setting, interaction, consultation, and exchange of information and experience with and among NGOs operating in Zimbabwe.
3. To create an enabling and conducive operating environment for NGOs necessary in ensuring sector independence, improved accountability, and fulfilment of institutional mandates.
4. To create and identify opportunities for NGOs to pursue their visions and missions at the same time building members' capacities, resources, and synergies.

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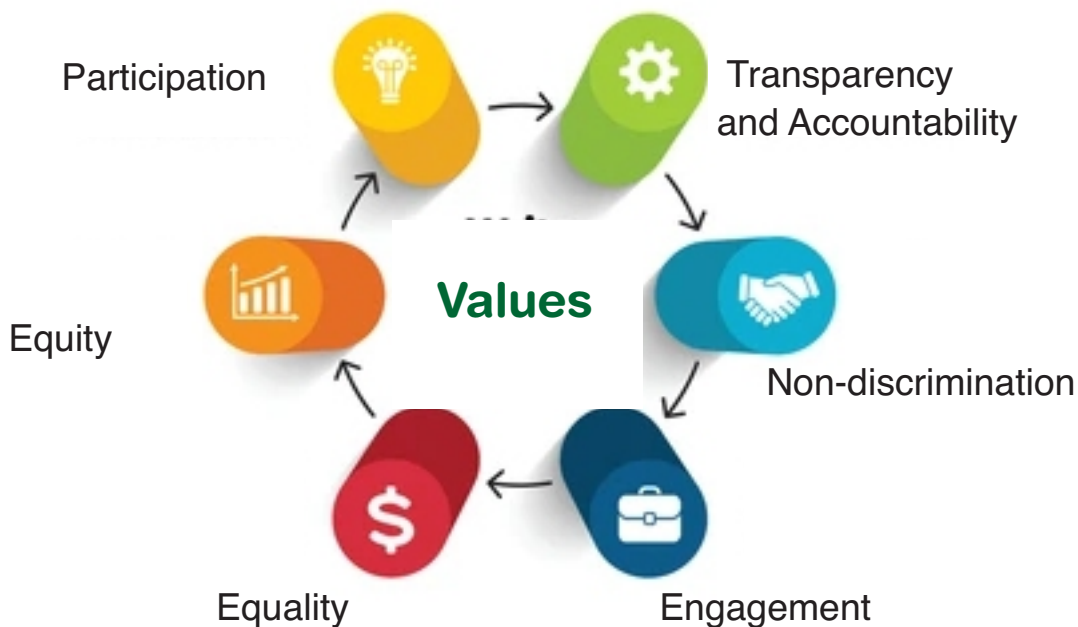
Mission

We, the community of NGOs, are committed to strengthening, representing, and coordinating the work of NGOs in Zimbabwe by creating space, promoting networking, dialogue and engagement to enable the fulfilment of members' visions and missions.

Vision

A proactive community of NGOs responsive and committed to the sustainable development needs of all people in Zimbabwe and the full realisation of human rights, democracy, good governance, and poverty alleviation.

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