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Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (CSPPS)

Working towards Peaceful and Inclusive Societies in Fragile & Conflict Affected States



**CIVIL SOCIETY
PLATFORM**
FOR PEACEBUILDING
AND STATEBUILDING

Who We Are and What We Do

The Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (CSPPS) is the official forum for coordinated civil society participation in the International Dialogue for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (IDPS). It brings together a diverse representation of civil society globally, both from g7+ and non-g7+ countries and from civil society organizations working on issues of Peacebuilding, Statebuilding, Conflict & Fragility and Development at regional and global levels. Since 2011, we have engaged in the shaping of the IDPS process and its outcomes and in country implementation of the New Deal for Engagement in Fragile States. The New Deal is a key agreement between fragile and conflict-affected states, development partners, and civil society to improve the current development policy and practice in fragile and conflict-affected states.

The goals of CSPPS are to strengthen the voice and capacity of societies to effectively engage in, and influence, peacebuilding and statebuilding as a critical contribution to crisis prevention and sustainable peace and development for all.

Our Mission:

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Our Core Strategies:

1. Shaping and infusing the International Dialogue for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding, Sustainable Development Goals and humanitarian processes with peacebuilding values;
2. Strengthening and broadening civil society engagement in peacebuilding, statebuilding and crisis prevention;
3. Influencing prevention, peacebuilding and statebuilding and development policies at all levels.

How We Are Organised

At its core, our network hosts the CSPPS country teams and national coalitions of Civil Society Organisations working on peacebuilding, statebuilding and conflict prevention. Within g7+ member countries our presence at country level is coordinated by a CSPPS focal point organization. Our country teams provide analysis, conduct advocacy work and dialogue with governmental and donor stakeholders in context of the IDPS. The Platform ensures that the perspectives of civil society experts are shared in high level forums such as the UN, World Bank, African Union, and the OECD.

Our governance structure includes an elected Executive Committee, with representative co-chairs of Thematic Workstreams that mirror global IDPS priorities.

Countries currently represented by CSPPS Focal Points in the network are: Afghanistan, Burundi, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Nepal, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Sudan, Timor Leste, Togo and Zimbabwe

Civil Society in the Dialogue



Current Areas of Work

CSPPS activities span across the 2030 Agenda, the Sustaining Peace Agenda and Conflict Prevention, and include the following priorities:

- Application of New Deal Lens to Sustainable Development Goals domestication and actualisation.
- Support to multi-stakeholder Country Dialogue
- Providing strategic guidance and capacity support to civil society
- Ensuring Civil Society Inclusion in conflict analysis and Fragility & Resilience Assessment Processes
- Advocating for inclusive and participatory approaches
- Thematic focus on Youth, Peace and Security
- Focus on Gender and Women, Peace and Security
- Contribution to the effective engagement of civil society in the New Deal and related processes

CSPPS Executive Committee Members:

- **Guy Aho Tete Benissan**, CSPPS EC Chair, REPAOC, Senegal
- **Marc Baxmann**, FriEnt, Germany
- **Lulseged Abebe**, International Alert, Ethiopia
- **Pascasie Barampama**, Réseau Femmes et Paix, Burundi
- **Foday Dauda Musa Sessay**, DADA, Sierra Leone
- **Mouldjidé Ngarygam**, FOJET, Chad
- **Peter van Sluijs**, Cordaid, The Netherlands
- **Lisette Mavungu**, PREGESCO, Dem. Rep. of Congo

With its membership and via an Executive Committee and Thematic Working Groups, the CSPPS works to ensure that the New Deal and SDGs implementation includes civil society members and representatives as actors and agents, rather than recipients or evaluators, and that societies are broadly represented in nationally owned processes. Following the IDPS 5th Global Meeting in Stockholm (April 2017), the Platform was entrusted with the task of co-chairing the IDPS New Deal Implementation Working Group (IWG).

Contact

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Cordaid, as part of its commitment to addressing fragility, hosts and coordinates the CSPPS Secretariat.

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