

# Open Forum for CSO Development Effectiveness

## Thematic Consultation on CSOs working in Gender Equality and Women's Rights

### Global Survey Questions

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The [Open Forum for CSO Development Effectiveness](#) is a unique space for CSOs (Civil Society Organisations) worldwide to engage in a global and fully participatory process towards defining and introducing a framework of mutually shared development effectiveness principles. This process started in late 2009, and will run until the end of 2011, culminating at the 4<sup>th</sup> High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness in Busan, South Korea.

One of the key methods for developing this shared framework for CSO development effectiveness is through a series of national, regional and thematic consultations. And one of these thematic consultations relates specifically to the effectiveness issues and contributions of CSOs working in the fields of gender and development. You can [learn more about the thematic gender work of the Open Forum](#) on our website.

As part of the gender thematic work, the Open Forum is conducting surveys in the various regions around the globe, to collect opinions and voices of CSOs working in the field of gender. While the questions and topics in these surveys will be tailored to each context, below you will find the global questions which will be asked in each region, which will form the basis for constructing some global messages around CSO effectiveness and gender for HLF4 and beyond. For more information, please contact [info@cso-effectiveness.org](mailto:info@cso-effectiveness.org)

**DEADLINE: APRIL 3, 2011**

This survey will take about 15 minutes to fill in, and should be returned to the Open Forum ([info@cso-effectiveness.org](mailto:info@cso-effectiveness.org)) and/or to Wendy Harcourt: [wendy.harcourt@fastwebnet.it](mailto:wendy.harcourt@fastwebnet.it)

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#### A. Information about your organisation

1. Name of Organization and/or contact person (optional):
2. In what country or countries does your organization undertake its activities? Do you work in principally urban or rural areas?
3. How would you define your organization? (You may check more than one option)

Women's organization	
Mixed social organizations	
Community based organization	
Local organization	
National NGO	
International NGO	

Social Movement	
Association, Federation or Confederation	

4. Please give us the breakdown of number of men and women working (and volunteering) in your organization, by completing the following chart:

Position	Number of women	Number of men
Management staff		
Professional staff		
Office staff		
Ancillary staff		
Volunteers		

5. If your organization is not a women's organization, does it have a program, working guidelines and/or a section or department specifically devoted to women's/gender issues? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

If yes, what percentage of the total number of people working is involve in such program or section? \_\_\_%

6. What do you estimate is the percentage of men or women you reach in your work?

## B. Assessment of gender equity and gender equality measures

7. List up to 5 contributions that your organization has been making (it could be economic, political and/or social) that directly aims to change/challenge male bias in your country and to build equity and equality among men and women.

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8. List up to 3 barriers that women's CBOs, NGOs, and women's Social Movements face in the achievement of their goals (please indicate if there are differences among those three players)

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9. List up to 5 contribution that, in your opinion, could be made by CSOs to the strengthen women's NGOs, grassroots or community based organizations?

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10. Describe in one or two sentences how your organization recognizes social class and ethnicity differences among women in your work?

### **C. Ways to change current gender inequalities**

11. Please suggest up to 5 ways to encourage women to take up decision making at their local and national level

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12. How can CSOs promote and adopt gender equity, equal opportunities and women's empowering into their own functioning? List up to 3 strategies that you see mixed as well as women and feminist organisations can undertake.

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13. List up to 5 factors that you see as indicating t CSOs and other grassroots and community based organizations are enabling women's empowerment?

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14. Suggest up to 3 strategies that your organization would support that would bring together women's and feminist agendas with the agendas of other social movements working for justice and democracy

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15. List up to 5 international instruments that you see as effectively promoting women's rights and gender equality in the public policies in your country. If appropriate, please briefly describe an inspiring way such international institutional policies have effectively contributed to the strengthening of women's organizations in your country

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16. Please state the 3 main advocacy demands for effective gender equity in government policies and programs financed with International Aid Development Cooperation resources?

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17. Briefly describe an inspiring experience of institutional policies that has effectively contributed to the strengthening of women's organizations in your country (maximum 150 words)

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Thank you very much for your contributions to the Open Forum consultation on CSO Development Effectiveness and Gender!