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Open Call for Expression of Interest (EOI) for Local and Grassroot CSOs, their Associations and CSO Networks

Welthungerhilfe (WHH), a leading German NGO fighting hunger in over 37 countries, has been dedicated to supporting civil society in Ethiopia since 1972. Partnering with CoSAP and DEC, WHH launched the "**Capacity Development Program for Local and grassroots Civil Society Organizations**" to empower Local Civil Society Organizations and Promote Good Governance and Inclusive Development in Ethiopia. This five-year initiative, funded by the EUD Ethiopia-Civil Society Fund Plus (CSF +), runs from 2023 to 2028.

We are excited to announce an open call for Expression of Interest (EOI) for Local and Grassroots Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), engaged in the four target regions (Amhara, Oromia, Afar and Benishangul Gumuz). This is your chance to partner with **Capacity Development Program for Local and grassroots Civil Society Organizations**, a unique initiative aimed at **Promoting Good Governance and Ensuring Inclusive Development in Ethiopia** and make a lasting impact on your communities.

What We Offer:

- **Financial Support:** We provide grants to support community-driven projects that align with the call's thematic areas of focus outlined under the call for EoI Guideline under Annex-II.
- **Capacity Building:** Gain access to training, workshops, and resources to strengthen your organizational skills and impact.
- **Networking Opportunities:** Connect with other CSOs, share best practices, and build powerful collaborations.
- **Recognition and Visibility:** Showcase your work on a national platform and amplify your community's voice.

Who Can Apply? We welcome applications from

- Local and grassroots CSOs working in the target regions
- Associations from the target regions representing multiple CSOs with shared interest
- CSO networks promoting collaboration, knowledge sharing and advocating for CSO Enabling Environment from the projects' target regions as well as from Addis Ababa

We particularly welcome applications from organizations led by women or focused on women's rights

Project Areas: We are particularly interested in supporting projects that address:

- The socio-economic rights of marginalized community groups
- Social and political inclusion of marginalized community groups
- Conflict prevention and peace building
- Strengthening CSOs and creatin an enabling environment

How to Apply:

1. Download the EOI application form here [CSF Plus EoI Application Template and Guideline](https://www.welthungerhilfe.org/our-work/countries/ethiopia) or <https://www.welthungerhilfe.org/our-work/countries/ethiopia> or collect hard copies from the physical address indicated in Annex II page 12
2. Carefully read the EOI guidelines and eligibility criteria – Annex-II.
3. Submit your completed EOI form latest **by 12.02.2024 before 18:00 hours** to application-FSTP-ETH1229@welthungerhilfe.de or hand delivery to the physical address indicated in Annex II

For further information, please:

- Check the project website <https://www.welthungerhilfe.org/our-work/countries/ethiopia>
- Contact the project team via application-FSTP-ETH1229@welthungerhilfe.de or call at +251 -911-005-822
- Please submit any question you may have on this call via application-FSTP-ETH1229@welthungerhilfe.de until January 15, 2024. Responses will be published on the project's website latest by 22nd of January 2024

Spread the word! Share this call with your networks and encourage other CSOs to join us in building a brighter future for all.