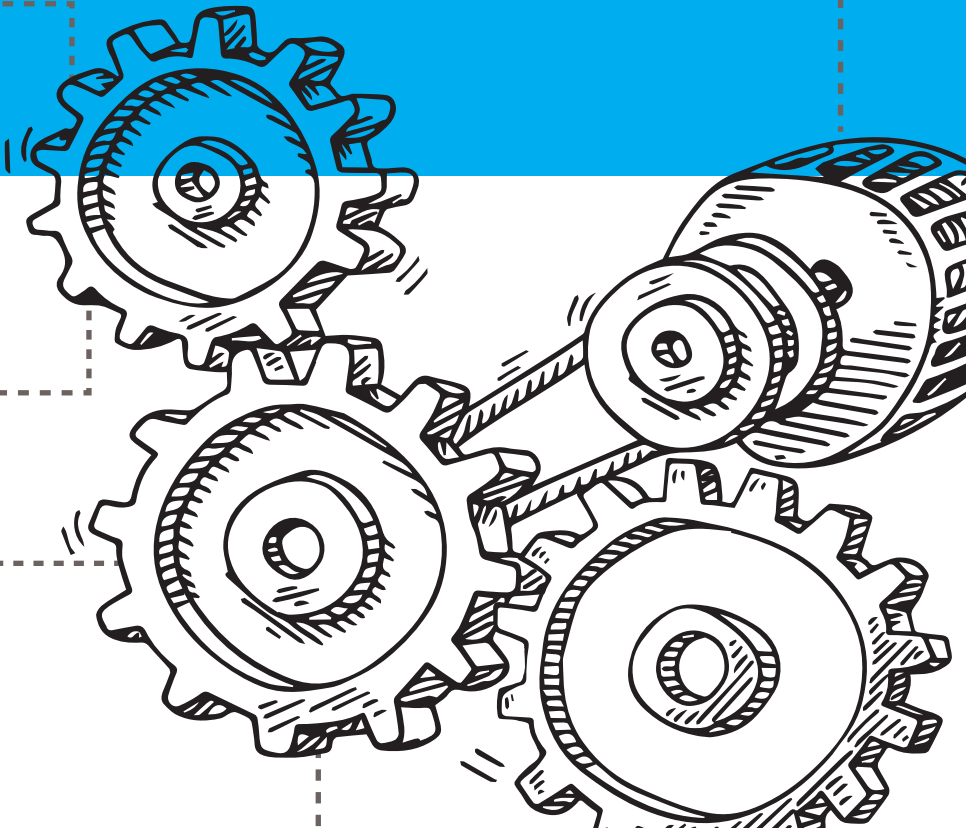




NGO Fora  
Support  
Programme

# PROMOTING COLLECTIVE ACTION AT FIELD LEVEL



# Why are NGO Fora pivotal to **collective action**?

In many humanitarian crises, NGOs come together to establish networks and Fora to coordinate NGO efforts to deliver humanitarian assistance.

These Fora are active in a range of areas: facilitating NGO engagement in the humanitarian response system; ensuring an effective, inclusive and contextualized response; and promoting collective NGO advocacy. By working together, NGOs can have a stronger voice on issues of concern.

In-country humanitarian NGO Fora contribute to the effective and principled delivery of humanitarian assistance. However, in a context of rising humanitarian needs and increasingly complex humanitarian crises, effective NGO coordination is more critical than ever.

**ICVA believes that well-resourced and effectively supported coordination bodies are crucial to improving humanitarian operations.**

## What is the “Support to NGO Fora Programme”?

The objective of this Programme is to support NGO Fora to undertake their collective responsibilities, across three key areas:

1. **Supporting organizational capacity development** of NGO Fora in strategic planning, governance, and human resource management
2. Strengthening **NGO Fora advocacy and echoing their views** at global and regional levels
3. **Promoting the pivotal role of NGO Fora** amongst the broader humanitarian community (including donors, governments, UN agencies, and NGOs themselves).

## Who is the Programme for?

The programme will focus on NGO Fora operating in countries affected by humanitarian crises. The programme will engage a mix of:

**NATIONAL NGO FORA**

**INTERNATIONAL NGO FORA**

**MIXED NGO FORA**

(with membership including both national and international NGOs).

Participation in the programme is on a voluntary base. It is anticipated that at least 30 NGO Fora will be actively supported in the first phase of this programme.

# What activities are proposed?

## STRENGTHENING NGO FORA ADVOCACY AND ECHOING THEIR VIEW AT GLOBAL LEVEL

### STRENGTHEN ADVOCACY

- Guide on joint advocacy for NGO Fora
- Advocacy trainings

### INCREASE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ECO-SYSTEM

- Webinars on humanitarian coordination
- Note on INGO representation in advocacy hubs
- Agenda on key global and regional events
- Note on ICVA's advocacy targets

### PROMOTE NGO FORA ENGAGEMENT

- Echo NGO Fora voices to Member States, UN agencies, donors, IASC levels
- NGO Fora participation in NGO briefings to Member States in Geneva
- NGO Fora participation in ICVA's working groups.

## PROMOTING THE PIVOTAL ROLE OF NGO FORA

### AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

targeting NGOs, donors and UN agencies.

## SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

### GENERAL SUPPORT ON STRATEGIC PLANNING, GOVERNANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

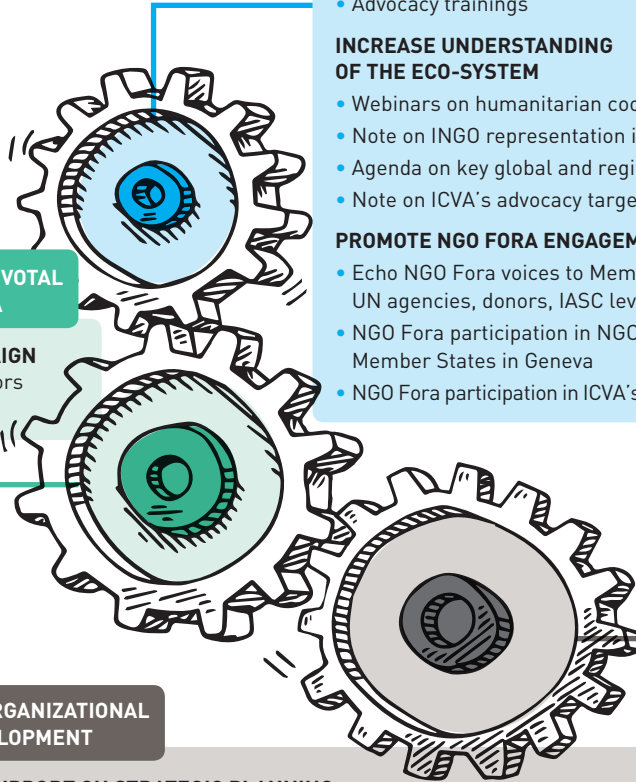
- Personalised support
- Field missions
- Workshops for national NGO Fora
- Directory of NGO Fora
- Access to online tool ([ngocoordination.org](http://ngocoordination.org))

### SUPPORT NGO FORA COORDINATORS

- Induction package for new coordinators (together with InterAction)
- Briefing and debriefing for incoming and outgoing coordinators

### SHARING GOOD PRACTICE

- Webinars on sharing experiences/lessons learned
- Study on membership motivation and engagement
- Information management toolkit
- Online tool to share documents ([ngocoordination.org](http://ngocoordination.org)).





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