

RESULTS FOR IMPACT: Deepening Engagement with Civil Society

2020 CSO Anchors 
Annual Training

17-19 Nov 2020
12:00-2:00 PM (GMT +8)
via Zoom Virtual Conferencing



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2020 NGO ANCHORS ANNUAL TRAINING

Online via Zoom, 17-19 November 2020
12:00 - 14:00 MANILA • 08:00 - 10:00 T'BILISI •
16:00 - 18:00 SUVA

Overall Objective:

The training program will enhance the knowledge and skills of key ADB staff to engage effectively with CSOs in the pandemic context and using current ADB procedures throughout the project cycle.

Target Participants: Core participants are HQ and RM-based NGO anchors and project officers endorsed by RMs; select sessions to be opened to the rest of ADB staff.

Facilitator: Roselle Rasay, Senior Social Development Officer (Civil Society and Participation), NGOC

Pre-training requirement for core participants:

Certificate for completing **Deepening Civil Society Engagement for Better Development Results for ADB Staff**



Training Agenda

Schedule	Topic / Activity	In Charge
DAY 1 – NOV 17, 2020 (TUESDAY)		
(Open to ADB staff and consultants) 12:00 – 12:05	[Module 1] Visions: Reimagining Civil Society Engagement in the New Normal i. Introduction	Lainie Thomas, Senior Social Development Specialist, NGOC
12:05 – 12:10	ii. Welcome Message	DG Woochong Um, SDCC
12:10 – 12:40	iii. Perspectives from ADB: Why civil society engagement? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DG Ramesh Subramaniam, SERD • DG Kenichi Yokoyama, SARD • DG Woochung Um, SDCC <p><i>How do CSOs contribute to ADB's development targets? What are the challenges and opportunities for ADB in cooperating with both advocacy and service provider CSOs? How are these challenges and opportunities changing under the new normal contexts? In terms of policies and actions, how is ADB enhancing the environment for CSOs to participate in its operations?</i></p>	Moderator: Pinsuda Alexander, Regional Economist, SERD
12:40 – 13:00	iv. Q&A: ADB staff dialogue with DGs on strengthening civil society engagement in ADB operations	



(For NGO Anchors and select Project Officers)

13:00 – 13:30

[Module 2] Stories of Change: Meaningful Civil Society Engagements

(Participants break out into 2 discussion groups)

v. **Part 1: Presentations**

Using the Appreciative Inquiry (AI) approach, RD NGO Anchors share about what worked as they implemented CSE in their 2020 portfolios. They will be asked to cite cases, concrete results/outputs of CSE, factors which facilitated these, and how these approaches will be useful or to be adjusted given new normal conditions.

Moderators:
Lainie Thomas and Oliver Chapman, Senior Social Development Specialists, NGOC

Breakout Group 1 Presenters	Breakout Group 2 Presenters
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CWRD • SARD • PSOD Q&A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SERD • PARD • EARD Q&A

13:30– 13:55

vi. **Part 2: Discussions**

Facilitated group discussion among participants on their feedback on the presentations as well as exchanges on their own experiences in CSE in 2020

13:55 – 14:00

Takeaways from today's sessions

1 representative from each group shares their group's key takeaways from both the dialogue with DGs and the breakout sessions.

Facilitator



DAY 2 – NOV 18, 2020 (WEDNESDAY)

(Open to ADB Staff)

[Module 3] *The Great Reset: Challenges and Opportunities of Civil Society Engagement in the New Normal*

This session facilitates a dialogue between CSOs and ADB staff on challenges and opportunities for civil society engagement under a new normal.

12:05– 12:35

Perspectives from CSOs:

- **Ms. Lan Mercado**, Regional Director, Oxfam in Asia
- **Ms. Reema Nanavaty**, Chief Executive Officer, Self-Employed Women’s Association (SEWA), India

What is the current situation of advocacy and service provider CSOs under COVID-19, their challenges and responses? What are the challenges of engaging with ADB? What are the opportunities? How do these change under the current pandemic contexts? What do CSOs recommend for ADB to strengthen relations with CSOs under the new normal?

Moderator:

Francesco Tornieri, Principal Social Development Specialist, Gender and Development

12:35 – 13:00

Q&A: ADB staff dialogue with CSO leaders on strengthening civil society engagement in ADB operations

(Open to ADB Staff)

[Module 4] *Learning Exchange: Special Topics in Civil Society Engagement*

Participants join the breakout group depending on the topic they selected during registration.

13:00 – 13:40

Option 1: Youth Engagement for Development Results – ADB’s Youth for Asia discusses the value of integrating the perspectives of the youth in designing ADB projects.

Chris Morris, Principal Social Development Specialist, NGOC with Youth for Asia (YfA)

Option 2: Peer-Learning Exercise: Capturing CSE in project documents – Participants review sample cases of how CSEs are reported in IPSA, SPRSS and PCR and provide comments and recommendations on how to improve them.

Lainie Thomas, Senior Social Development Specialist, NGOC

Option 3: M&E for Civil Society, Youth and Citizen Engagement – This session tackles how civil society organizations can be contracted to perform M&E, and how doing so will increase understanding of project relevance and effectiveness for project beneficiaries. It will also cover how civil society, youth and citizen engagement can be measured, and how these concepts can form an integral part of a ‘Theory of Change’ in pursuit of social and environmental objectives.

Oliver Chapman, Senior Social Development Specialist, NGOC

DAY 3 – NOV 19, 2020 (THURSDAY)

(For NGO Anchors and Project Officers)

[Module 5] Power Up: The New SI - A Guide to Promoting CSO Participation in ADB Projects

12:00 – 12:30

NGOC is excited to share about the new Staff Instruction on Cooperation with Civil Society, the complete guide to ADB policies and strategies on promoting cooperation with CSOs. Get practical tips on using this SI.

Facilitator: **Emma Walters**, NGOC Consultant

12:30 – 12:45

Q&A

12:45 – 12:50

Break

12:50 – 13:30

Practical exercises on the new SI on CSE

13:30 – 13:50

[Module 6] Level Up: Way Forward on Civil Society Engagement

Through an interactive discussion, participants identify upcoming opportunities in their work by which they can incorporate insights and lessons from the last 3 days into strengthening civil society engagement (CSE).

Roselle Rasay, NGOC

13:45 – 13:50

Synthesis and Closing Message

Christopher Morris, Principal Social Development Specialist, NGOC

