What are the possible institutional implications of a commitment to ‘localisation’ for our organisations? Do we have a clear understanding of what ‘localisation’ means and what success will look like? Does it require new internal capacities or competencies? Does this raise concerns for our communications with our private supporters, with the media? Is this likely, over time, to negatively affect our income? How are other INGOs dealing with this issue?

These are the questions that we will discuss in our virtual peer-learning series on localisation. The series consists of three consecutive online sessions with a mix of input, small group discussions in break-out rooms, and further peer-sharing in ‘plenary’. Between the sessions, participants are encouraged to pursue the reflection within their own organisations and/or with each other.

The learning series is oriented towards directors, senior managers and board members of INGOs, as well as senior colleagues from finance, fundraising, communications and media relations. Different representatives from one NGO are welcome to take part to discuss their institutional progress on or challenges related to localisation. After the online sessions, participants can also request further Skype/Zoom coaching support from the trainers.

Smruti Patel and Koenraad Van Brabant of the Global Mentoring Initiative will facilitate the sessions. They bring many years of experience working in and on humanitarian action and are extensively involved in localisation debates, research and organisational accompaniment.

The number of participants is limited. Participants are expected to take part in the different sessions. The sessions will be in English. Participation is free of charge.
PROGRAMME

18 June 2020

Welcome mail and survey
12:00 Participants receive welcome mail including a link to a preparatory survey for the online sessions

24 June 2020 Session 1: Setting the scene

10:30 – **What are main areas of institutional implications?**
12:30
- a. Common understanding
- b. Strategic outlook & fundamental purpose of organisation
- c. Partnering competencies
- d. Capacity to develop capacities (organisational development)
- e. Communications and fundraising
- f. Business model – the future of INGOs
- g. Internal leadership

30 June 2020 Session 2: Fit for the Future

10:30 – a. The future of INGOs
12:30
- b. The purpose of INGOs
- c. The business model
Guest: speaker from INGO world

3 July 2020 Session 3: Fit for Partnering

10:30 – a. Partnering competencies
12:30
- b. Capacity-to-build capacities (organisational and coalitions/alliances/networks development)
Guest: Local NGO leader

**WHEN?**
24 June 2020
30 June 2020
3 July 2020
10:30 – 12:30 each

**WHERE?**
Online (Zoom)

**REGISTRATION**
Please register by sending an e-mail to k.kraehling@venro.org until 17 June 2020.

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