



# UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## The Grand Bargain 2.0: Moving forward together with localisation and quality funding

### Event Invitation

Five years after the Grand Bargain came into being at the World Humanitarian Summit in Istanbul in May 2016, the need for humanitarian assistance has increased worldwide, amplified by the devastating effects of the Covid-19 pandemic. The Grand Bargain's objective to create a more efficient and effective humanitarian system in order to reach more people in need is more relevant than ever.

This event will take place shortly after the Grand Bargain Annual Meeting where the signatories will decide how to move forward with their commitments in a Grand Bargain 2.0. There is broad consensus on the need to narrow the focus and increase high-level political engagement. Localisation and quality funding have been identified as the two strategic priorities for the future Grand Bargain.

Still many questions remain and, together with our guests, we would like to explore the signatories' proposal in more detail. What can we expect from a Grand Bargain 2.0? Which challenges remain for its implementation? How can we change roles and responsibilities in order to realise equal partnerships in humanitarian response? How can we ensure quality and direct funding for local actors?

The event will be held in English. Please note that the event will be recorded for internal purposes. **To participate, please register online until 17 June 2021.** All registered participants will receive the login details shortly before the event.

#### WHEN?

Tuesday, 22 June 2021,  
10:00 am to 1:00 pm CEST

#### WHERE?

Online (Zoom)

#### REGISTRATION

Please register [↘ online](#)  
until 17 June 2021

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## PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

10:00 am	<b>Welcoming remarks</b> Maike Röttger, Board Member, VENRO
10:15 am	<b>What is the Grand Bargain 2.0? The results of the Grand Bargain Annual Meeting, 15-17 June 2021</b> Gareth Price-Jones, Executive Secretary, Steering Committee for Humanitarian Response (SCHR)
10:30 am	<b>Commentary: The Grand Bargain 2.0 from a local perspective</b> Alix Masson, Advocacy Officer, NEAR – Network for Empowered Aid Response
10:40 am	<b>Involving the audience: Flash exchange on expectations towards the Grand Bargain 2.0 (breakout rooms)</b>
10:50 am	<b>Commentary: Challenges for the future Grand Bargain</b> Darina Pellowska, Research Fellow, Centre for Humanitarian Action (CHA)
11:00 am	<b>Involving the audience: Time for questions and exchange</b>
11:15 am	<b>Break</b>
11:30 am	<b>Panel Discussion: Moving forward with localisation and quality funding</b> <b>Masresha Andarge</b> , Peacebuilding, Human Rights and Humanitarian Programs Advisor, Action for Integrated Sustainable Development Association (AISDA, Ethiopia); <b>Alexandra Geiser</b> , Co-Spokesperson for the VENRO Working Group on Humanitarian Assistance; <b>Pit Köhler</b> , Head of Division, Humanitarian Assistance – Policy, International Organisations, Multilateral Coordination, German Federal Foreign Office; <b>Fatima Imam</b> , Executive Director, Rehabilitation Empowerment and Better Health Initiative (REBHI, Nigeria) <b>Involving the audience: open discussion</b>
12:55 pm	<b>Wrap-up and concluding remarks</b> Maike Röttger, Board Member, VENRO, and Bodo von Borries, Facilitator, VENRO
1:00 pm	<b>End</b>

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