

LOCALISATION: STOCKTAKING FOR NGOS

Localisation is widely discussed within the humanitarian sector. Expectations and ambitions among NGOs and even inside NGOs are diverse. Numerous challenges are to be solved.

VENRO and IFHV will organise a series of trainings and workshops on localisation. In a first seminar, we would like to give staff of local, national and German NGOs the opportunity to discuss the current approaches to localisation in their organisations, e.g. in the areas of project management, institutional funding, partnership agreements or advocacy. The aim is to give orientation on current localisation debates as well as to identify successful approaches.

We will discuss the following questions:

- What is the current status on localisation in the participating organisations?
- Which expectations on localisation do different NGOs have?
- What are enablers for localisation?
- What are internal and external barriers for localisation?
- How to address them?

The seminar is designed for staff of German and local/national humanitarian NGOs that are already familiar with the discussion on locally-led humanitarian action and are engaged in institutional change management. We kindly ask German NGO colleagues to forward this invitation to their local and national partner organisations.

The seminar will be facilitated by Dr. Katrin Radtke, professional training and liaison at the IFHV of the Ruhr-University Bochum as well as Karoline Krähling, policy advisor humanitarian action at VENRO.

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Thursday, 23 March and
Thursday, 30 March 2023

11am – 3 pm CET each

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Online (Zoom)

REGISTRATION

Please register [↘ online](#) until
15 March 2023.

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The sessions will be in English. Participation is free of charge. To enable interactive sessions, the number of participants is limited. Participants will receive feedback on their admission to the course one to two weeks after their registration.

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PROGRAMME

Session 1: 23 March 2023

11:00 **Welcome and introduction**

12:00 **Expectations on localisation**
Group discussions

13:30 **Input by participant on current localisation debates**

14:05 **Current state of localisation in our organisations**
What is working well?
What have we already achieved?
What are current discussions on localisation in our
organisations?

15:00 **End of session 1**

Session 2: 30 March 2023

11:00	Introduction and wrap-up from last session
11:30	Barriers of localisation What are barriers of localisation in our organisations? What solutions can we identify for this?
13:00	Presentation of study “<u>Localisation in Practice: Facilitating equitable partnership in humanitarian project management</u>” Darina Pellowaska, Center for humanitarian Action (CHA)
14:00	Action planning and wrap-up
15:00	End of seminar