



Initiative pour les **défenseur·es**
des **droits humains** dans le monde

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CASE STUDY :
INCLUSION AND PROTECTION PRACTICES
HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS AND PARTNERS AT RISK IN THE SOLIDARITY
SECTOR
AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

➤ **INTRODUCTION**

As part of the "Initiative for Human Rights Defenders in the World" project, supported by the French Development Agency (AFD), the French Human Rights Platform (PDH) and 5 of its members, including *Agir ensemble pour les droits humains (Agir ensemble)* as lead partner, is launched a call for expressions of interest with the aim of identifying good practices in the field of rights-based approaches in general and the protection of human rights defenders; in particular, within solidarity and international cooperation organisations operating in the project's target countries, namely France, Burkina Faso, Togo, Ivory Coast, Madagascar, Burundi, Republic of Congo, Lebanon, Mexico and Cambodia.

The results of this call for expressions of interest, which are part of wider data collection exercise, will be published and shared in a case study which will be shared with the relevant authorities, namely the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (MEAE) and the AFD during a presentation event in September 2024.

The aim of the case study is to highlight the efforts made by solidarity and international

cooperation actors specifically in terms of inclusion and protection of human rights defenders and partners at risk, and generally, from a rights-based approach, as well as their constraints and difficulties, with a view to inform the implementation of France's human rights and development strategy.

The organisations whose practices are identified will be invited to take part in the finishing process of the case study and will be invited to the event at which the results will be presented.

To find out more about the initiative or the call for expressions of interest, please consult the project sheet in the link below, or contact Luisa FENU, the independent consultant responsible for preparing the case study.

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➤ **SELECTION CALENDAR**

Interested organisations should send their responses to luisa.fenu@icloud.com. **no later than January 15, 2024.**

The selection process includes two phases:

1. After studying the following survey and in cooperation with the Project Steering Committee, the consultant will contact the organisations whose projects meet the criterias set out below;
2. An interview will then be organised with the shortlisted good practice promoters to get a deeper understanding of the project and ensure that it meets the case study criterias.

Interviews will take place between January 15 and February 15.

At the end of these two phases, organisations will be informed of the outcome of the process.

➤ SELECTION CRITERIAS

The responses received will be evaluated on the basis of the following criterias:

- Being operational in the intervention's country ;
- Being a member of the French civil society or being a local partner present one of the project's target countries;
- Offering a practice that can be reproduced in another context (province/country/region);
- Complying with the international human rights law ;
- Being able to demonstrate its positive impact on beneficiaries/defenders/partners at risk and their environment.

➤ SURVEY

❖ INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR ORGANISATION

1.Name of your organisation (optional) :

2.Your speciality :

3. Interest or link with the theme of the study :

❖ YOUR PROJECT

1. Project name :

2. Theme:

3. Link to case study's topic :

4. Type of support / link with France :

5. Project start/end date :

6. Location (optional) :

7. Beneficiaries :

❖ PROJECT PRESENTATION

1. Can you give us a brief description of your project (objectives, results, main activities)?

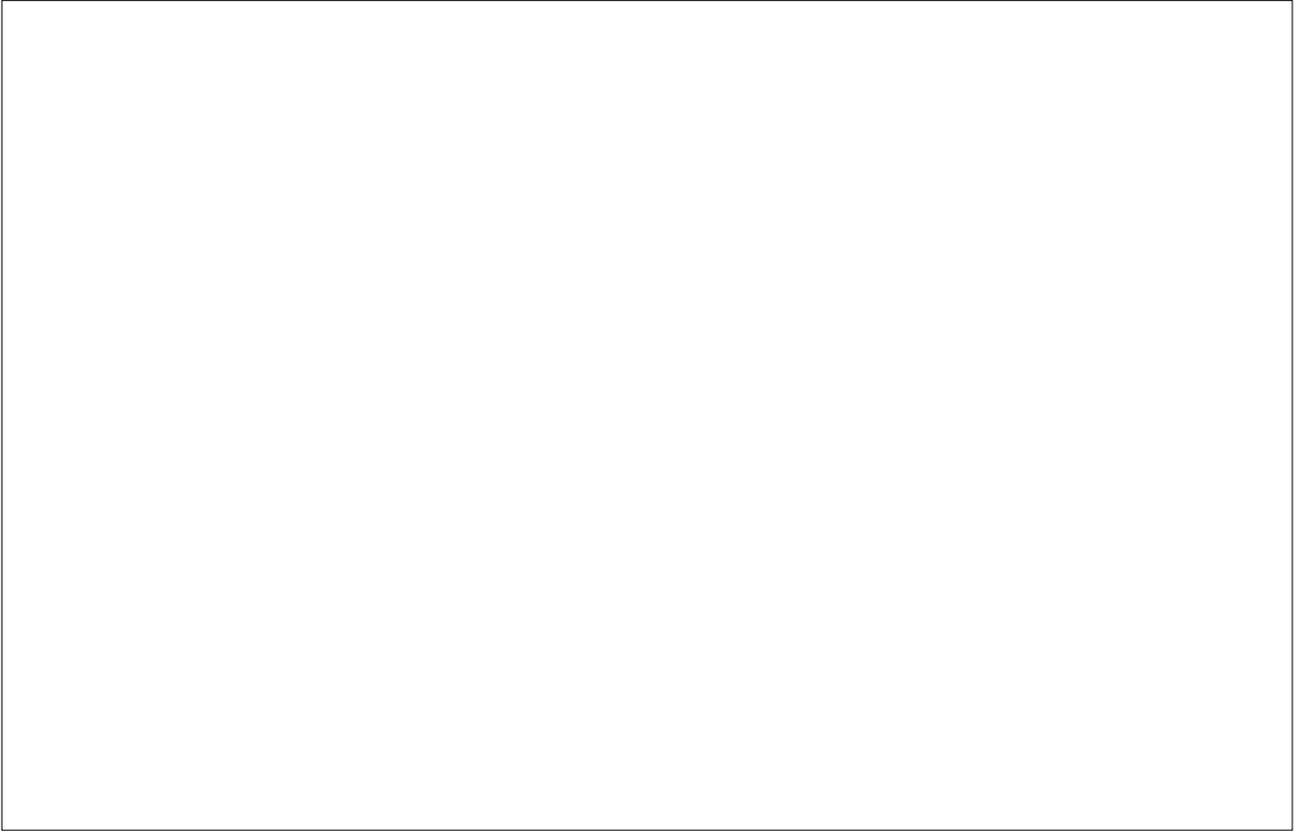
2. What is the background of this project?

3. Why do you think this project is relevant to the case study?

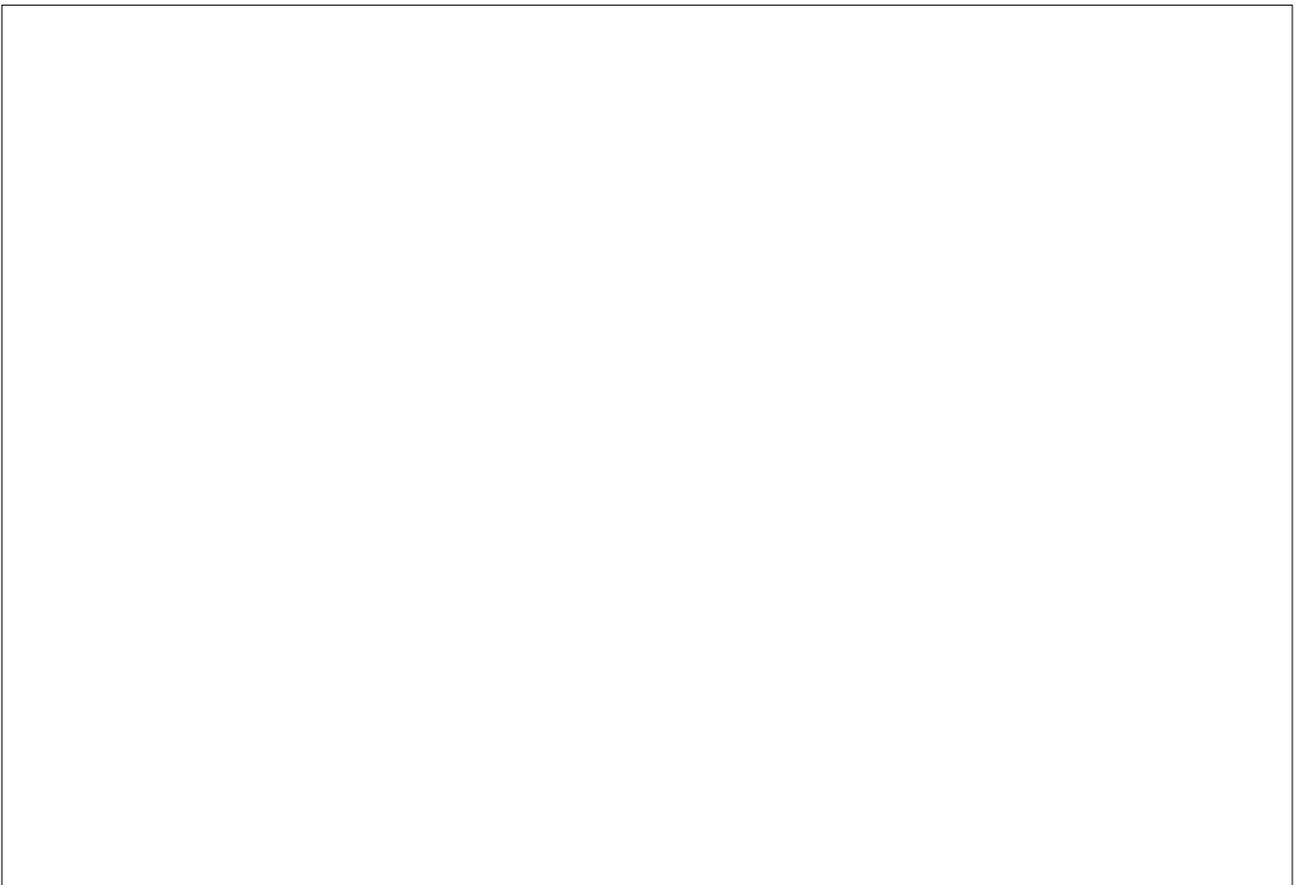
4. Can you describe for us the processes by which the people affected by the project and its beneficiaries participate in / contribute to the decision-making process?

5. How are the people benefiting from the project involved in the monitoring and evaluation process?

6. Can you tell us how the people benefiting from and/or affected by this project were involved in its design and implementation?



7. If not, what were your obstacles?



8. Can you tell us about an achievement of which you are particularly proud in terms of inclusion and protection of human rights defenders and partners at risk?



9. Can you describe your constraints/impediments in terms of human rights defenders and partners at risk's inclusion and protection?



10. Can you describe how your project applies a rights-based approach?

11. What is the expected long-term impact of this project?

12. How do you think it could be reproduced or scaled up in another country? context?

13. If you were to support a sister organisation in the design and implementation of this project in the future, what recommendations or advice would you give them?

14. Do you have any other comments that might be useful in considering your project?

So that we can contact you as part of the selection process, please do not hesitate to send us your contact details.

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