

Appendix 5: National Coalition Monitoring Mechanism – An Idea

As mentioned in the proposal, it is essential in the new GCAP structure to have a system in place to ensure that the national coalitions have a broad-based, open and inclusive constituency.

It is proposed for the interim measure (when the *transitional* Governing Council is in place) that each national coalition would individually sign an MOU with the GCAP Trust to secure mutual accountability with each other. In it, the national coalition will be asked to commit itself to the openness and inclusivity of its constituency. There should also be a concerted effort for each national coalition supported by the regional and global structures to develop a national coalition capacity building and organizing plan for both existing and new coalitions with tools and means to deliver the plan.

While this is envisioned for the interim period, there has been some discussion of the Future Structure Task Group for the creation of an on-going system by which this important element of national coalitions will be secured. It will include the following. We encourage the transitional Governing Council to take up this idea to start the discussion so that some system incorporating this idea or alternative models can be instituted after the next Global Assembly.

- Regional structure carries the responsibility of quality assurance of national coalitions in the region. With this mandate, Regional Councils establish a national coalition screening committee that would regularly review the openness and inclusivity of national coalitions. The committee would include council members (who do not have conflict of interest) as well as some independent members.
- For new national coalitions, the screening committee would do screening and check with references in a country to establish legitimacy and credibility of applicants. For existing coalitions, the committee will conduct biennial (every other year) review. For both processes, the criteria adopted by the Governing Council will be utilized.
- The screening process should not just be a gatekeeper role but also include dialogue with national coalitions to develop a coalition building and capacity building strategy and planning. This would enable national coalitions to address their weaknesses and facilitate resource mobilisation that would help implement a national coalition building plan.