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Thanks for reading our newsletter!

We are pleased to share outcomes of our engagements in the fourth quarter of 2016. You'll find some useful information on impact of our work within the civil society sector. Kindly share your comments on this issue with us and **feel free to forward!**

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# eNewsletter

## Strengthening Civil Society



### **3-year Capacity Development Programme for CSOs in Ghana Officially Launched**

The three-year Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) Capacity Development Programme from August 2016 to October 2018, between the West Africa Civil Society Institute (WACSI) and the Embassy of France in Ghana, was officially

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## Impact of Our Work

### **Strengthening the Advocacy and Networking Capacity of African CSOs for Effective Engagement**

Twelve civil society practitioners from countries including Tanzania, Ghana, Nigeria, Guinea, Niger and Cote d'Ivoire have been introduced to the concepts of policy advocacy and equipped with skills to design effective advocacy campaigns

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## More News From Civil Society in West Africa

### **Terms of Reference: Africa Hub Coordinator– Civil Society Innovation Initiative**

#### **[CIVICUS: World Alliance for Citizen Participation](#)**

is an international alliance of members and partners constituting an influential network of organisations at local, national, regional and international levels, spanning the spectrum of civil society. CIVICUS seeks to amplify the voices and opinions of ordinary people, giving expression to the enormous creative energy of the burgeoning civil society sector

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### **Request for expression of interest: Process Facilitator for Deliberations on the state of the Human Right Movement in Africa**

The human rights movement has reached a critical point with its achievements increasingly questioned by scholars. This raises the need for introspection on the future of the movement, utilizing a foresight approach rather than a predictive approach. The achievements of the human rights movement have been compared with past achievements such as the civil rights movement, end of apartheid and the end of colonialism, among others

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## Latest Blog Articles

### **Towards a People-Driven ECOWAS: Challenges and Opportunities**

The mantra “ECOWAS of the people” became popular when the [ECOWAS vision 20/20](#) was launched. Since its launch, many citizens remain skeptical about the people-driven agenda that the vision espouses. Sadly, the dividends of this vision are yet to be felt by the community citizens

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### **Sustaining a Co-Implementation Relationship: Experiences from the Mandela Washington Fellowship Programme**

Within a controlled environment, leaders can be nurtured, shaped and groomed to influence social change. The [International Research and Exchanges Board \(IREX\)](#) and West Africa Civil Society Institute (WACSI), in their attempt to strengthen Africa’s next generation of leaders, collaborated to implement the Africa-based component of the [Mandela Washington Fellowship \(MWF\)](#) Programme for Young Africans from West and parts of Central Africa

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