

## Concept Note

### The 8<sup>th</sup> Certified NGO Forum On

## **“Promoting CSOs Development Effectiveness in the context of CSO Good Governance in Cambodia”**

10<sup>th</sup> June 2014, at KSSA Building, Phnom Penh

### I. Introduction:

The Cooperation Committee for Cambodia (CCC) is a well-established and deeply respected coalition of more than 160 international (INGO) and local non-governmental organizations (LNGO) in Cambodia. Since 2011, CCC revisited its strategic direction and adopted a new Vision and Mission called Vision 2015 by which a single integrated and long range 5-year program entitled the Governance Hub Program (GHP) 2011-2015 was also approved, with its overarching vision for a strong and capable civil society, cooperating and responsive to Cambodia’s development challenges.

The results from risks assessment on institutionalization of Governance & Professional Practices (GPP) in December 2012, internal and external review on both documents and studies in 2013, external consultant is strongly recommended that CCC review its current Governance Hub Program (GHP) and Vision 2015. In order to stay relevant, more effective, and responding to new development paradigms happening nationally and internationally, CCC has put a lot of resources and efforts to develop a new version of its Vision and GHP refocused for 2014 - 2018.

Since 2004, CCC has initiated the NGO Governance & Professional Practice (NGO GPP) to ensure that NGOs comply with minimum standards of good and professional practice for NGOs to be more accountable and improve governance standards. This has been recognized as an effective system to respond to the growing pressure from both within and outside the NGO sector, and from both national and international sources. The NGO GPP gains national and international recognition as an effective tool to promote NGO internal self governance. It also is responsive to Principle number 5, 6 and 7 of the Istanbul Principles on CSO Development Effectiveness which was globally endorsed in 2010. As of May 2014, **59 certificates have been given to INGOs and Local NGOs** who have successfully complied with all standards in the NGO Code.

The certified NGOs (CNGOs) play a vital role model to contribute to promote minimum standards and voluntary certification system (VCS) to NGO community as well as involving in the field check with NGO GPP team members to respond to the demand growth of applications. They are expected to work together to promote VCS and to comply with the Istanbul principles.

### Partnerships for Sustainable Development in Cambodia

To maintain the compliance with the minimum standards and voluntary certification system (VCS) within the certified NGO and continue promoting VCS, CCC has established the Certified NGO (CNGO) Forum since 2010. Since then, the forum had been successfully conducted every bi-annual aiming at providing an opportunity for the CNGOs to share and discuss on maintaining their compliance with the standards as well as promoting the visibility and credibility of VCS to different stakeholders. Last year, the sixth and seventh forum for certified NGOs were successfully conducted on 07 May 2013 and 05<sup>th</sup> December 2013 respectively, and the eight forums will be held on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014, with the following objectives, expected outcomes and agenda.

## II. Objectives

1. To share and update on global development movement and Post-2015 development agenda; and Good Governance for anti-corruption.
2. To discuss and identify effective ways to promote the visibility and credibility of GPP certified NGOs (Certified NGO directory) and joint proposals of the certified NGOs.
3. To strengthen the relationship and collaboration among certified NGOs.
4. To share with the Certified NGOs on possible ways to improve organizational financial sustainability.

## III. Expected outcomes

1. GPP certified NGOs understood and well aligned themselves with the global movement Post-2015 Development Agenda and Good Governance with anti-corruption perspective.
2. Possible ways determined, discussed and used to promote visibility and credibility of the certified NGOs.
3. The business mind-set mainstreamed and adapted by the certified NGOs to improve their organizational financial sustainability.
4. Joint mechanism identified, discussed, developed and implemented to improve the relationship, collaboration, and sustainability of the certified NGOs.

## IV. Target participants

Opportunity to attend this important forum is extended to a representative from those 42 certified NGOs whom can be the executive director, advisor, board member or senior manager.

## V. Detailed agenda

Time	Topic	Resource persons
07:30-08:00	Registration	<b>Mr. Chan Pheakdey, CCC-GPP</b> Monitoring & Evaluation Officer
08:00-08:05	<b>Introduction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of Forum Objectives</li> </ul>	<b>Ms. Kao Sokdeth, CCC- GPP</b> Certification Officer
08:05-08:20	Welcome and Opening remark	<b>Mr TANG Sun Hao</b> Country Director, Norwegian People's Aid (NPA) and NGO Code

		Compliance Committee (NCCC) member
08:20-08:35	<b>Welcome and Introduce New Certified NGOs</b>	<b>TLC, Morodok, CWDCC</b>
08:35-09:05	<b>Session 1: Update on Post-2015 Cambodia Development Framework</b> <i>Question and Answer</i>	<b>Mr. Soeung Saroeun, Executive Director of CCC</b>
09:05-10:15	<b>Session 2: Panel Discussion on Good Governance for Anti-Corruption</b>  <i>Presentation 1: Brief key points of Anti-Corruption policy/law</i>  <i>Presentation 2: Cambodia's approach in fighting against corruption.</i>  <i>Presentation 3: How good governance could fight against corruption?</i>	<b>Moderator: Ms. Sin Puntheary , Head of Communications and Member Development of CCC</b>  <b>Mr. Srin Sovann, Assistant to Vice-President of National Anti-Corruption Council</b>  <b>Mr. Pich Pisey, Program Director of Transparency International Cambodia</b>  <b>Mr. Ok Serei Sopheak, Freelance Consultant</b>
10:15-10:30	<b>Coffee break, social relationship and networking</b>	
10:30-10:50	<b>Session 3: Sharing best practices of being a Certified NGO</b>	<b>Mr. Chhun Vuthy, HR Director of LWD, Working Group of NGO GPP and Certified NGO.</b>
10:50-11:30	<b>Session 4: Update from the field and Promoting the visibility and credibility of certified NGOs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Challenges from field of ANGO and CNGO</li> <li>• Update of the directory book of certified NGOs</li> <li>• Plenary discussion and identifying possible effective ways to promote credibility and visibility of certified NGOs.</li> </ul>	<b>Ms. Keo Mara,</b> CCC-GPP Quality Assurance Specialist
11:30-12:00	<b>Presentation on New version of GPP codes and standards</b>	<b>Mr. Sok Sovann,</b> CCC-GPP Certification Specialist
12:00-01:30	<b>Lunch Break, social relationship and networking</b>	
01:30-03:00	<b>Session 5: Update the progress of Joint Proposal by group leaders</b> <i>Presentation 1: Update about Joint Proposal for</i>	<b>Ms. Sar Montha, CCC – GPP Manager</b>

	<p><i>Group 1</i></p> <p><i>Presentation 2: Update about Joint Proposal for Group 2</i></p> <p><i>Presentation 3: Update about Joint Proposal for Group 3</i></p>	<p><b>Mr. Tep Boonny</b>, Executive Director of Save Cambodia 's Wildlife</p> <p><b>Mr. Thorn Vandong</b>, Executive Director of BSDA</p> <p><b>Ms. Sim Chan Borina</b>, Executive Director of PK</p>
03:00-03:30	<b>Session 6: How to financially sustain the organization</b>	<b>Mr. Or Channy</b> , Executive Director of CRDT
03:30-03:45	<b>Coffee break, social relationship and networking</b>	
03:45-04:35	<b>Session 7: Possible ways to turn organization into business model</b>	<b>Mr. Om Seng Bora</b> , Founder & Chairman of Asia CEO & Entrepreneur Development Center
4:35-4:45	<p><b>Session 8: Plenary Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluation of the event</li> </ul>	<b>Mr. Hak Kunthy</b> , CCC-GPP Certification Officer
4:45-5:00	<b>Closing Remark</b>	<b>Mr. KHIEU Vicheanon</b> , Deputy Secretary General of ACC and Executive Member of ASEAN Quality Assurance Network (AQAN), WG of NGO GPP

**Note:**

☞ CCC reserves the rights to alter the agenda based on the availability of the speakers and time constraint.

☞ CCC will be able to support only one person who from each certified NGO based on the attached Traveling policy of CCC and with the supporting document. **CCC will not pay; if have no invoice or receipt attached.**