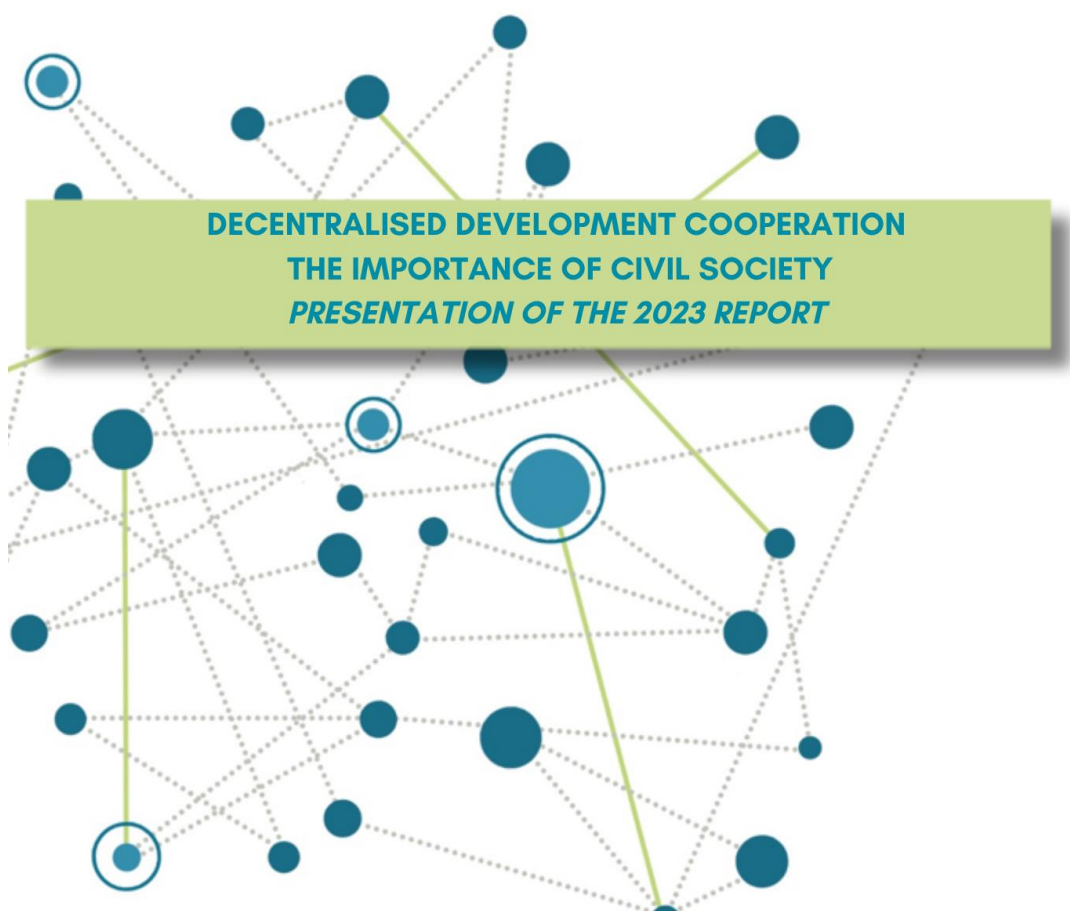


WORKSHOP



Tuesday, 20 february 2024
10:00 - 13:30 (CET) - Hybrid

Basque Government Delegation to the EU
Rue des Deux Églises / Tweekerkenstraat, 27, Bruselas, B-1000

Context

In 2022, eLankidetzeta, the Basque Government's Basque Agency for Development Cooperation, launched a report on decentralised cooperation. This was born with the aim of being the first of a series of annual reports to improve knowledge and assessment of decentralised development cooperation. In this session, we present the 2023 Report: Figures on Decentralised Official Development Assistance (DODA) 2017-2021 and analysis of its channelling through Civil Society Organisations (CSOs).

In addition to the data analysis, in each report we explore existing narratives on decentralised cooperation through case studies. In the 2022 Report we studied different forms of direct cooperation. However, the data analysis in that report showed that DODA effectively transferred to developing countries - international DODA - is mostly channelled through NGOs and very rarely directly.

This is why, in this second report, we decided to analyse different forms of collaboration between sub-state governments and civil society organisations (CSOs) in development cooperation. This form of channelling leads to a stronger rooting of international cooperation in society, the promotion of global citizenship and the connection between the local and the global.

In this practical workshop we will explore the relationships between sub-state governments and civil society organisations in the international field of development cooperation.

The workshop is framed within the framework of the Platform Strategy 2021-2030, responding to its action line a) Creating networks for advocacy within the Specific Grant Agreement (2023-2026)-SGA4.

Objectives

The objectives of the workshop are:

- a) To discuss the conclusions, the methodology, the analysis of the 2021 decentralised ODA data and the cases analysed.
- b) To raise awareness of the reality of international decentralised cooperation and, specifically, aid channelled through NGOs.
- c) To provide knowledge on international decentralised cooperation modalities in different countries.
- d) To identify challenges for future reports.

Participants

Cooperation professionals from public administrations, civil society organisations and international organisations involved in official development aid.



Agenda

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Decentralised Development Cooperation: the importance of civil society

Presentation of the Decentralised Development Report 2023.

Brussels, 20 February 2024 (Tuesday)

10.00-10.15	Registration and welcome coffee
10.15-10.35	Welcome and opening remarks Marta Marin , Basque Government delegate to the EU. Boris Tonhauser , director of Platforma. Paul Ortega , director of eLankidetzeta-Basque Agency for Development Cooperation. Marlene Holzner , head of Unit, Local Authorities, Civil Society, Organisations & Foundations (INTPA G.2), European Commission.
10.35-11.05	Presentation of the report: methodology, figures, and conclusions Aitor Perez , author of the <i>Decentralised Cooperation Report 2023</i> .
11.05-12.20	Round Table of regional and local governments: decentralised ODA channeled through civil society Jacques Mevis , 11.11.11/4 ^{de} Pillar Platform, Flemish support platform for citizen initiatives in global solidarity. Mario Brière , team Leader, Direction of the Francophonie and international solidarity. Quebec. Jordi Cortés , head of City-to-City Cooperation program of Barcelona.
12.20-12.30	Conclusions and closure
12.30-1:30	Lunch

If you have any questions related to the workshop please do not hesitate to contact us.
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