

NGO ETHICAL PRINCIPLES

Cherishing human dignity, human rights, freedom and justice, we shall work for public benefit within the framework of a human-centered democratic society and the rule of law, free of corruption, violence and intolerance.

We are joining this document in declaration of our intent to make our best effort to abide by the following principles at all times in our operations.

Principle 1. Internal Democracy

NGO shall have an internal governance structure that provides for democratic decision-making in defining NGO mission, goals, management policy and its implementation, financial operations and program activities.

Principle 2. Non-Partisanship

NGOs obliged to be officially non-partisan shall not engage in partisan activities (i.e., activities that serve interests of a particular political party, force or group). NGOs affiliated to political parties may join these Principles. In such a case, they shall uphold the principle of non-partisanship in their public benefit activities.

Principle 3. Transparency and Accountability of Activities

NGOs shall ensure the transparency of their activities and report regularly to the public.

Principle 4. Financial Transparency and Accountability

NGOs shall truthfully conduct their financial accounts and reports and ensure an efficient use of funds. Financial reports shall be open to public.

Principle 5. Equality

NGOs shall not discriminate on the basis of age, gender, ethnicity, nationality, social background, social status, sexual orientation, race, previous conviction or other categories.

Principle 6. Conflict of Interest

NGOs shall strive to avoid conflict of interest. In case avoidance is not possible, a person faced with the issue shall openly declare his/her conflict of interest.

Principle 7. Health and Environment

NGO activities shall be health- and environment-friendly.

Principle 8. Cooperation and Coordination

NGOs shall strengthen their cooperation, coordination and partnerships based on mutual respect and support.