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CCD/CaLP Online Sharing Session for Local Actors: On 8th October, CCD co-hosted the Sharing Session in partnership with CaLP global CVA and locally-led Working Group.

The session focused on the Ukraine response, featuring Anna Rollmann from Dobra Fabryka Ukraina as a keynote speaker. Key takeaways included:

- Ukraine is experiencing a complex humanitarian crisis, necessitating a largescale response involving local NGOs with established capacities.
- Key achievements include multimodal assistance, local NGO leadership in some areas of coordination, and standard budget allocations for capacity strengthening, while challenges persist in local NGO representation, understanding coordination mechanisms, and navigating unclear expectations.
- Opportunities exist to position local NGOs as key contributors in program design and enhance coordination for sustainable impact.

Matchmaking Event in Vinnytsia: CCD and the National Network of Local Philanthropy hosted the fifth regional "Matchmaking Event" in Central Ukraine (Vinnytsia) on 15th October, providing a platform for international donors and local organisations to share experiences, build partnerships, and inspire new approaches to social projects. Local organisations took centre stage through "Lokal Talks," showcasing impactful initiatives on inclusivity, psychological support, crowdfunding, and community fund management.



The event also included a workshop by Yuliia Novobrants, Fundraising Director at R2P, on the secrets of equitable partnership and effective fundraising, which are critical for successful project development. Networking with international organisations, such as Abilis, World Vision, and ERC, provided valuable recommendations and guidance for local organisations. Future events will expand to other regions, fostering collaboration and sustainable development.

Operational Planning Workshop by Alliance of Ukrainian Civil Society Organisations: From October 21st to 23rd, the Alliance of Ukrainian Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) held an operational planning workshop in Kyiv focused on local leadership in humanitarian response and recovery processes in Ukraine.

The event featured over 120 participants from various sectors, including national and local CSOs, international NGOs, UN agencies, donors, and academia. CCD facilitated a session on cash programmes and the role of local actors in collaboration with CWG Ukraine.

The session focused on strengthening local CSOs' role in quality cash programming, cash coordination and advocacy through...

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meaningful engagement in the planning, implementation and coordination of cash programmes.

CCD introduced the LNGO CoP and encouraged interested participants to join the platform. During group work, the participants shared their experiences and challenges related to local leadership in cash coordination as well as operational issues for cash programmes' implementation.

The session established several next steps for further advancing in this area, focusing on capacity strengthening, institutionalisation and two-way exchange and learning to strengthen the leadership of Ukrainian CSOs and quality engagement in designing, implementing, monitoring and coordinating cash programmes.

CCD CVA Two Day Training: On 24th - 25th October, 2024, a two-day CVA training for local NGO representatives, organised by the CCD and the R2P, focused on enhancing skills for effective cash assistance in Ukraine. The training combined theoretical and practical sessions, with the first day covering CVA fundamentals, project set-up and management, and stakeholder coordination.



The second day delved into developing Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and data management/deduplication. Led by experienced trainers Inna Latsyba and Nataliia Bryl from R2P, using interactive methods, the program enabled participants to exchange insights and optimise processes, concluding with certificates of completion and positive feedback on its impact on future work.

Joint Workshop with Community Led Initiatives CoP on Group Cash Transfers: On October 31st in Kyiv, a workshop on Group Cash Transfers (GCTs) was held, organised by the Community-Led Initiatives (CLI) CoP and CCD LNGO CoP. It brought together local and international practitioners to share insights and successes in community empowerment. Key highlights included global GCT resources, partnership success stories from Ukraine, and practical experiences with GCT projects. The event emphasised the importance of flexible approaches and strategic partnerships to enhance local leadership in humanitarian efforts and drive meaningful change.

Resources:

- ENG-UA CWG Glossary
- GCT Materials
- CCD Localisation Pilot Review ENG
- CCD Localisation Pilot Review UA
- Pathways to Localisation: Local Actors'
 Partnership Experiences in CVA programming ENG
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SpotlightMeet two of our LNGO CoP Partners!





Anna Rollmann, Mission Coordinator for Dobra Fabryka Ukraina.





Yevhen Pavlov, Winterisation Coordinator for the R2P Foundation.

Pilot Referral Partnership Project: Call for Participation

During the community meeting on October 17th, Anna introduced the mechanism and tools of referral partnerships.

This approach facilitates cooperation between organisations, where one refers beneficiaries to another for specialised assistance it does not provide itself.

A pilot project is now planned to launch in Kharkiv, with the potential to scale to other regions upon success.

This initiative aims to foster proactive collaboration in delivering comprehensive aid to beneficiaries.

Participation in the project does not require organisations to assist a specific number of referred beneficiaries. Each organisation can independently decide whom to support based on their priorities.

This pilot project is a step toward more effective collaboration and meaningful support for those in need.

Monthly Meeting CoP: Sharing Experiences in Winterisation

On November 26th, the monthly meeting of the professional community focused on Winterisation. Yevhen, Winterisation Coordinator for the Dnipropetrovsk and Kharkiv regions, shared insights on implementing this vital project.

During his presentation, Yevhen highlighted the project preparation process, the application of cluster recommendations, and the key steps in project implementation. He also detailed the challenges of identifying and selecting beneficiaries, emphasising the importance of accurate data. Among the challenges faced were:

- Staff shortages.
- Aligning humanitarian aid with state subsidies.
- Ensuring coordination with other organisations.

The meeting provided an excellent platform for participants to exchange knowledge and ideas, paving the way for more effective implementation of winter assistance programs.