Tri-Partite Partnership for support to National Human Rights Institutions – TPP NHRIs
Partnership to strengthening national human rights systems

The TPP-NHRIs aims to strengthen NHRIs in their capacity to promote and protect human rights, individually and through their regional and global networks resulting in increased fulfilment of human rights for all people.

Background
NHRIs are the cornerstones of strong national human rights promotion and protection systems. NHRIs have a critical bridging role in supporting the implementation of international human rights norms and standards.

They act as a vital bridge between the State, civil society and other public and private entities, acting as convenors for consultation on national processes that affect marginalized and excluded groups to promote transparent, participatory and inclusive national development processes and ensure that no one is left behind.

Strong, effective NHRIs have an enabling and catalytic impact on the realization of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and building peaceful, just and inclusive societies.

UNDP, OHCHR and the Global Alliance of NHRIs (GANHRI) have enjoyed a TPP since 2011 and in 2017 agreed to scale-up our strategic, complementary support.

WHO?
The TPP-NHRIs is a partnership of NHRIs, their regional networks and the Global Alliance of NHRIs (GANHRI) with UNDP and OHCHR

WHAT?
The TPP-NHRIs brings significant opportunities to leverage the respective mandates, expertise and operations of each partner to support NHRIs around the world whilst consistently strengthening the role of GANHRI and regional networks as universal and regional knowledge brokers, able to collect and share NHRIs expertise, lessons and practices for the benefit of NHRIs and the global human rights policy discourse.

WHERE?
Focus at country level with support for the regional networks and GANHRI

WHEN?
Ongoing - TPP since 2011 with an agreement to scale-up and operationalize in 2017 moving forward complementary support

HOW?
Jointly implemented by the partners and operationalized through the UNDP Global Programme on Strengthening the Rule of Law for Sustaining Peace and Fostering Development

GANHRI Annual Conference underlines the crucial role of NHRIs for the Protection and Promotion of Human Rights in Situations of Violence and Conflict, March 2017
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Rationale
The TPP-NHRIs is a foundation to build a unique, collaborative and coherent framework to strengthen support to NHRIs and the global and regional networks. Working together we can increase efficiency, leverage the complementarity of respective mandates.

The TPP – NHRIs has enabled more coherent and coordinated UN system-wide support to NHRIs. The TPP-NHRIs has been recognized by the UN Secretary-General, the General Assembly and the Human Rights Council as an example of good practice.

TPP-NHRIs Objectives
The TPP-NHRI has five main objectives:

- **GANHRI institutional capacity and ability to achieve its strategic goals are strengthened**
- **Effectiveness of the four Regional Networks of NHRIs is enhanced**
- **Country support and capacity building to equip NHRIs to optimally fulfil their mandate, including engaging with International Mechanisms is enhanced**
- **NHRIs efforts towards the 2030 Agenda and efforts to Leave No One Behind are supported**
- **NHRIs’ role in sustaining peace is strengthened, including in prevention and early warning.**

Leveraging complementary mandates

| GANHRI | Global voice of NHRIs, contributes to global policy development and facilitates NHRIs engagement with the UN system. Encourages and facilitates cooperation among NHRIs and acts as a knowledge broker for NHRIs |
| UNDP  | Development branch of the UN system. Operational in over 170 countries and supported NHRIs in over 90 countries with capacity strengthening and technical advisory services |
| OHCHR | Lead UN body on human rights with specific mandate to provide technical assistance for the establishment and strengthening of NHRIs. Provides secretariat support to GANHRI |

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61st Session of the Commission on the Status of Women recognizes the positive impact of NHRIs’ on women’s rights, March 2017

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A Commission officer talking with residents of the devastated Sunkoshi area following the April 2015 earthquake, April 2015

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