



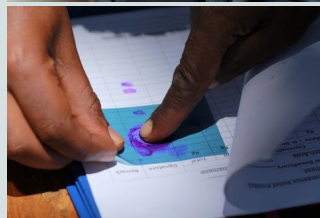
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Highlights from CANGO

Photos from a recent food distribution in Shashemene via CFGB and organized by FHI



Over the past few months, many CANGO members have been occupied with the humanitarian response to the drought-affected parts of Ethiopia and the growing refugee situation. In the August meeting of the CANGO General Assembly, members held a briefing, facilitated by Feleke Tadele, the director of OXFAM Canada in Ethiopia, to review how each NGO is responding. Many of the NGOs present received funding from CIDA's Multi-

lateral Branch through the East Africa Drought Fund. The session allowed members to share information on their drought and refugee programming and provided a space for identifying the commonalities within the different responses.

In the upcoming months, many CANGO members will be taking advantage of a training workshop offered by IMA International on Impact Assessment. CANGO will also be

partnering with CIDA on a partner's forum in February that will provide members and other NGOs in Ethiopia with an occasion to discuss some of the main thematic areas that are part of civil society programming in Ethiopia. Furthermore, it will give NGOs an opportunity to learn more about CIDA's programmatic focus and to engage in a dialogue with CIDA officers.

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Food Security in Benishangal Gumuz

The Benishangal Gumuz (BSG) Food Security and Economic Growth project is managed by a consortium of six CANGO members (SCC, CPAR, World Vision, FHI, CHF, and OXFAM Canada) in partnership with the International Network for Bamboo and Rattan.

The project, led by SCC, is a 20 million dollar initiative over five years with the purpose of seeking the implementation of part of the regional Food Security Program. As a consortium, the project presents an innovative management structure, combining the experi-

ence and resources of relevant stakeholders in support. The ultimate outcome of the project is to improve food security and economic growth for women and men in BSG. It is expected to cover 60% of the population in the seven woredas targeted.



creatribution: kree-ey-truh-byoo-shuhn - noun

definition: where passion and creativity combine to result in a unique contribution to the world.

The design of imagine1day's fundraising strategy involved rethinking volunteerism in the Canadian community. The new approach, known as a CREATRIBUTION gives Canadians the opportunity to choose the way in which they contribute to a charity and for CREATRIBUTORS (as individual donors are known), to view giving as fulfilling and fun.

Modeled after a business principle called the hedgehog, a CREATRIBUTION invites you to contribute to the world by exploring what you love to do and

"CREATRIBUTION invites you to contribute to the world by exploring what you love to do and what you're great at."

what you're great at. It's about finding out where your passion, your talents and your creativity intersect.

Moving away from the current charitable paradigm, imagine1day distinguishes itself as a community that creates awareness through shared experiences and inspiring connections.

Through a CREATRIBUTION, a new story is being told for Ethiopia. Here is one CREATRIBUTOR's experience:

Lacey Norton is passionate about art. Through her unique contribution called submiT, she gives the Vancouver art community an opportunity to support education in Ethiopia. submiT involves the re-production of local art on t-shirts to generate funds for the construction of a classroom in Ethiopia. By following her passion, Lacey generated exponentially more for herself, her community and a village in Ethiopia than she would have had she simply written a cheque.

Visit <http://imagine1day.org/how-you-can-help/become-a-creatributor> to learn more about Creatribution™.

PROFILE of One CANGO Member: International Development Enterprises (IDE)

IDE is an international non-profit organization whose mission is to create income and livelihood opportunities for poor rural households. IDE was founded on the belief that a successful way to alleviate rural poverty and create wealth is to help small-plot farmers use their own resources to earn a profit. With programs in Asia, Africa, and Latin America, IDE Ethiopia is one of IDE's newest country programs established in July 2007. IDE Ethiopia works in Oromia, Southern Nations, Nationalities, and Peoples (SNNP) and Amhara Regional States with a focus on vegetables, fruit, honey, and coffee value chains.

In Ethiopia, many small-plot farmers can't afford to irrigate their land and therefore have to rely on rain-fed cereal crops to provide for their families. Affordable irrigation technologies that IDE provides, such as treadle pumps and rope and washer pumps, open the door to the production of fruits, vegetables, and other high value crops. These crops provide better returns and can be harvested multiple times a year.

For information, please visit IDE's website:
www.ide-ethiopia.org



Beneficiary of an IDE supported micro-finance loan. The loan enabled him to buy a suction pump which in turn enabled him to expand his cultivation and consequently improve his family income.



CIDA CORNER



The Muskoka Initiative

As part of its commitment to support the maternal, new born and under-five Child Health Initiative known as the Muskoka Initiative, the Government of Canada dedicated \$1.1 billion in new funding to countries with the highest rates of maternal and child mortality (which includes Ethiopia). Canada's funding for MNCH is focused on three themes: a) strengthening health systems to improve service delivery to maternal, new-born and child health at the local level; b) preventing and treating the leading illnesses and diseases that are killing mothers and children; c) improving nutrition by in-

creasing access to healthful and nutritious food and essential micronutrient supplements that improve and save lives. Ethiopia will benefit from approximately \$105M in Muskoka funding through Geographic Programs Branch, Multilateral and Global Programs Branch, and Partnerships with Canadians Branch, reaching an estimated 4.7 million Ethiopians.

A call for proposal was put out by the Partnership with Canadians Branch under its Partners for Development Program, to provide financial support to Canadian organizations working in partnership with local civil soci-

ety groups. In Ethiopia, five projects by Canadian organizations valued at \$10.18M were selected, making Ethiopia the second highest recipient of PwCB Muskoka funds. Plan International Canada, Care Canada, Christian Children's Fund Canada, AMREF, and the Center for Affordable Water and Sanitation Technology will implement Muskoka projects over the next three years. On October 6th, CIDA met with all Muskoka funded partners to initiate a process of learning exchanges that will continue over the life of the Muskoka Initiative.

The Ethiopian Urban Development Partnership

The Canadian Urban Institute (CUI) is Canada's applied urban policy institute, dedicated to identifying, developing and delivering policy and planning solutions to enable urban regions in Canada and around the world to thrive and prosper. CUI forms partnerships with local authorities and their civil society and private sector constituents to strengthen local governance and urban management practices. This is achieved through sharing of Canadian expertise and facilitation of networking of applied research on a global scale.

With CIDA Partnerships with Canadian Branches (PwCB)

The project aims to pilot "made-in-Ethiopia" approaches to local planning and economic development

funding, the Ethiopia Urban Development Partnership Project (UDPP-E) aims to support the advancement of the country's urban development agenda by piloting "made-in-Ethiopia" approaches to local planning and economic development in two Ethiopian cities – Addis Ababa and Bahir Dar.

In Addis Ababa, the Eco-City Project supports the Eco-City local development process in two poor neighborhoods aimed at addressing urban poverty and improving living conditions in the informal settlement areas through job creation and improving basic services and living

conditions. This is achieved through mobilizing the community's resources, while at the same time minimizing the displacement of households or disturbing the socio-economic activities of these areas.

In Bahir Dar, CUI is supporting the Waterfront Development Project, which strives to stimulate economic activity on the waterfront, while preserving the natural environment and cultural heritage, and improving the social conditions of communities living in the area. After a first consultation in the summer of 2011, key principles were identified to guide waterfront development including public access; a clean and green waterfront; mixed-use development; diversified jobs; and urban-rural linkages. *(Continued on page 4)*

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CANGO's Mission

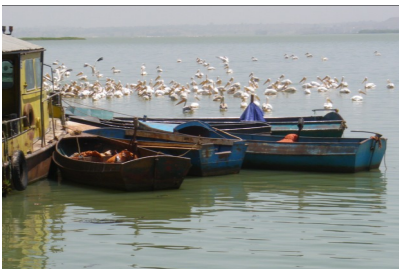
The Canadian Network of NGOs in Ethiopia, CANGO, was founded in January 2006, in Addis Ababa. The Network is voluntarily accessed by Canada-based NGOs operating in Ethiopia. Its overall purpose is to share information, promote cooperation and enhance collective action in an effort to address the challenges of poverty and governance in Ethiopia, including food and livelihood security, HIV/AIDS, disaster preparedness and response, capacity building of civil society and governance.

Currently, there are 20 NGO members in CANGO.

CANGO's Management Committee

- Kebede Ayele (IDE Ethiopia) CANGO Chair
- Daniel Leonard (MCC) CANGO Vice Chair
- David Throp (Plan Ethiopia) Supporting Member

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The Bahir Dar Waterfront

development schemes for the Bahir Dar Waterfront.

These two projects are being carried out in partnership with key

local actors working in the areas of urban planning and development.

(Continued from Page 1: CANGO Highlights) There are also plans to initiate peer reviews, where CANGO members will participate in field visits to each others projects and observe best practices from their colleagues. It is anticipated that the Benishangal Gumuz Food Security Project, managed by a consortium of six CANGO members, will be the first review opportunity in the new year.

As CANGO continues to grow, with more NGOs interested in joining, members are recognizing the benefits of working together on joint training and learning efforts, collective action and sharing information.

Dear reader,

This is the first edition of CANGO e-news, a quarterly newsletter. The objective of the newsletter is to raise awareness of CANGO members and their work here in Ethiopia. If you have any suggestions or would like to submit an article, please write to:
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