

**MINECOFIN** 



AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN

UMBRELLA OF HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS IN RWANDA (CLADHO)

AND

MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC PLANNING (MINECOFIN)

### WHEREAS:

- On 04<sup>th</sup> August 2015, Parties entered into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MoU") to stimulate and facilitate the scope of the activities of both institutions and formalize collaboration between the Parties with the overall objective of improving budget transparency and accountability;
- Parties wish to clarify the responsibilities of each party to achieve the goals of the MoU;

## NOW THEREFORE the Parties hereby agree to amend the MoU as follows:

1. Article 3 of the MoU is modified and shall be read as follows:

# "III: Commitments and responsibilities of Parties

MINECOFIN and CLADHO agree on the following to achieve the goals of this MoU.

#### a) Mutual commitments

- 1. Collaboration in capacity strengthening/building of members of the civil society organizations in budgeting process;
- Collaboration during preparation and dissemination of Citizens Guide to the budget;
- 3. Collaborate in organizing the budget sensitization week between budget reading and budget approval.

### b) MINECOFIN Responsibilities

- 1. Facilitate Civil Society organizations (CSOs) to timely access budget information especially the Budget Framework Paper and the draft finance law;
- 2. Invite Civil Society organizations in core meetings such as Joint Sector Reviews and Sector Working Groups with ministries.

### c) CLADHO Responsibilities

- 1. Organize budget awareness campaigns;
- 2. Participate in the promotion of citizens' participation including children, youth and persons with disabilities in planning and budgeting process;
- 3. Participate/in pre-budget hearings at decentralized and national levels and share the findings with MINECOFIN;
- 4. Participate in the compilation and disseminating to the public the annual citizen guides to the budget;
- 5. Identifying capacity building needs and design capacity-building plans for CSOs, Children and youth committees to increase their skills in budgeting process;
- 6. Conduct analysis of the Budget Framework Paper and the annual finance law to provide supplementary information for consideration by MINECOFIN;
- 7. Capacity building of CSOs and awareness raising on Gender Responsive Budgeting and Gender Budget Statement;
- 2. The provisions of the MoU not specifically mentioned or referred to herein, remain unchanged.
- 3. This Amendment has been made in two copies in English language, each of which shall be an original

For and on behalf of MINECOFIN

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