

Program for the
**Busan Global Civil Society Forum
(BCSF)**

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The Grand Hotel Haeundae

Busan, South Korea

**Busan Global Civil Society Forum (BCSF)
November 26, 2011 – Day 1
Program**

<p><i>Opening Ceremony 9h00 – 10h00</i></p>	<p><u>Welcoming Remarks</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Host Organizers – KoFID • BetterAid and Open Forum • Korean government (tbc) • Busan Metropolitan City (tbc) 	<p>Objective: The welcoming remarks will serve as an introduction to the Busan Global Civil Society Forum.</p>
<p><i>Opening Plenary Session 10h15-12h00</i></p>	<p><u>Plenary session – Features of the HLF-4</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on CSO Road from Accra to Busan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Brian Tomlinson, BetterAid and Open Forum (tbc) • Presentation of the final draft Busan Outcome Document (BOD) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Feminist organization (tbc) • Updating on political negotiation process on the BOD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Antonio Tujan Jr., Co-Chair BetterAid, IBON (tbc) • Presentation of the HLF-4 Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Emele Duituturaga, Co-Chair Open Forum, PIANGO (tbc) • Special Address <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Maina Kiai, UN Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association (tbc) <p><i>Co-Facilitators: Anselmo Lee and Carolyn Long (tbc)</i></p>	<p>Objective: This segment of the opening plenary will serve to set the stage for the forum. The session will start by presenting the ground that has been covered since the HLF-3. Following this we will get an overview of the current state of play going into the HLF-4 with updates on the Busan Outcome Document and a presentation of the official forum. It will close with a key note address from a high profile speaker.</p>
<p><i>Lunch 12h00 – 14h00</i></p>		
<p><i>Self-organized Workshops 14h00 – 15h45</i></p>	<p><u>Sectoral/Thematic Workshop 8 parallel sessions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum one session (1 hr 45 mins and) maximum 4 sessions. <p><i>See Annex for more information</i></p>	<p>Objective: These sessions will provide CSOs an opportunity to organize their own workshops in preparation for the HLF-4.</p>
<p><i>Self-organized Workshops 16h15 – 18h00</i></p>	<p><u>Sectoral/Thematic Workshop 8 parallel sessions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum one session (1 hr 45 mins and) maximum 4 sessions. <p><i>See Annex for more information</i></p>	<p>Objective: These sessions will provide CSOs an opportunity to organize their own workshops in preparation for the HLF-4.</p>
<p>Free Evening</p>		

**Busan Global Civil Society Forum
November 27, 2011 – Day 2
Program**

<p><i>Self-organized Workshops 09h00 – 10h45</i></p>	<p><u>Sectoral/Thematic Workshop 8 parallel sessions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum one session (1 hr 45 mins and) maximum 4 sessions. <p><i>See Annex for more information</i></p>	<p>Objective: These sessions will provide CSOs an opportunity to organize their own workshops in preparation for the HLF-4</p>
<p><i>Self-organized Workshops 11h00 – 12h45</i></p>	<p><u>Sectoral/Thematic Workshop 7 parallel sessions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum one session (1 hr 45 mins and) maximum 4 sessions. <p><i>See Annex for more information</i></p>	<p>Objective: These sessions will provide CSOs an opportunity to organize their own workshops in preparation for the HLF-4</p>
<p><i>Lunch 12h45 – 14h15</i></p>		
<p><i>Plenary Session 14h15 – 15h15</i></p>	<p><u>Overview of self-organized workshops</u> By groups spokespersons</p> <p><i>Co-Facilitators: CIVICUS and AWID (tbc)</i></p>	<p>Objective: During this session we will get hear back on the self-organized workshops.</p>
<p><i>Plenary Session 15h15 – 16h15</i></p>	<p><u>Preparing for the High Level Forum</u> Session on Overall Plans for Participation to be presented by the Busan CSO Coordination group (BCCG)</p> <p><i>Co-Facilitators: BCCG</i></p>	<p>Objective: In this the session we will turn to the agenda of the HLF-4 and begin our preparations on how we strategize.</p>
<p><i>Thematic Preparatory Sessions (in parallel) 16h45 – 18h30</i></p>	<p><i>Lessons Learned from Paris and Accra: Actions to Move Forward</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ownership and Accountability 2. Country Systems 3. Addressing Aid Fragmentation 4. Aid Predictability and Transparency 5. Results 6. Session CSO Enabling Environment 7. Session on Agriculture and Rural Development 	<p>Objective: The purpose of these sessions will be to coordinate CSO participation and positioning in the thematic sessions of the HLF-4. These will be strategic sessions where we plan how we will organize around the various themes of the HLF-4. They will take place in parallel and will be prepared and facilitated by the corresponding task forces.</p>
<p>Dinner Reception hosted by KoFID</p>		

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<p align="center"><i>Thematic Preparatory Sessions (in parallel) 09h00 – 10h45</i></p>	<p><i>From Aid Effectiveness to Development Effectiveness</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Capacity development and Knowledge exchange 2. Rights-based approaches 3. Fragility, Conflict and Vulnerability 4. South-South cooperation and Triangular Cooperation 5. Public-Private Cooperation 6. Special Session on Gender 7. UN-DCF Strategy Session 	<p>Objective: The purpose of these sessions will be to coordinate CSO participation and positioning in the thematic sessions of the HLF-4. These will be strategic sessions where we plan how we will organize around the various themes of the HLF-4. They will take place in parallel and will be prepared and facilitated by the corresponding task forces.</p>
<p align="center"><i>Preparatory Sessions on Building Blocks (in parallel) 11h00 – 12h45</i></p>	<p><i>Addressing the post-Busan Building Blocks</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Transparency 2. Results and Accountability 3. South-South and Triangular Cooperation 4. Fragile States 5. Climate Finance 6. Effective Institutions and Policies 7. Private Sector 8. A New Consensus on Aid and Development <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Future development cooperation b. Post-Busan governance framework 	<p>Objective: The purpose of these sessions will be to coordinate CSO participation and positioning in the thematic sessions of the HLF-4. These will be strategic sessions where we plan how we will organize around the various themes of the HLF-4. They will take place in parallel and will be prepared and facilitated by the corresponding task forces.</p>
<p><i>Lunch 12h45 – 14h15</i></p>		
<p align="center"><i>Regional Planning sessions and BCSF Press Conf. (in parallel) 14h15 – 16h00</i></p>	<p><u>Regional/subregional Lobby Planning Caucus (up to 7 parallel sessions)</u></p> <p>Africa, Asia, Latin America, North America, Europe</p> <p><u>BCSF Press Conference</u></p>	<p>Objective: These sessions as meant to allow the regional caucuses to convene and prepare regional strategies for the HLF-4. To be facilitated and prepared by the regional focal points.</p>
<p align="center"><i>Closing Plenary 16h30 – 18h30</i></p>	<p><u>Reporting, synthesis and action plan and closing ceremony</u></p> <p>Sign-off CSO statement to HLF-4</p> <p><i>Co-Facilitators: BCCG</i></p>	<p>Objective: To wrap-up the BCSF, present our overall action plan for the HLF-4 and endorse a one-page CSO statement to the HLF-4.</p>
<p>Free Evening</p>		

Annex: List of Self Organized Workshops

Day 1 – Session 1 (14h00 to 15h45)

1. *Reality of Aid Global Meeting and Workshop on Aid and the Private Sector* (Open to everyone)

Organizer: Reality of Aid (RoA)

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The Workshop is on “Aid and the Private Sector” following the theme of the next Reality of Aid (RoA) Report. This RoA Global Meeting welcomes members and other organizations interested in this emerging trend and increasing focus on the private sector. The Workshop aims to stimulate discussions on what official donors are doing in the field of “aid and the private sector”. Who precisely do they support, and which criteria influence this choice? What are the results on the ground? Does the assumption that private sector activities supported by official aid lead to less poverty and better lives really hold?

2. *Development for a Decent World. Trade Union preparatory meeting for the HLF-4* (Partially Open)

Organizer: International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)

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The meeting will focus on the preparation of the trade union delegation to the HLF4 through a detailed briefing, identifying key advocacy issues and strategizing for an effective participation in the HLF4 sessions. The meeting will start with an update on the HLF4 policy process and trade union positions, followed by the trade union representatives identifying the most important issues to be addressed in relation the HLF4 and developing strategies to work on these issues. The meeting will also provide an opportunity to discuss the practical aspects of the participation in the HLF4.

3. *Global Women’s Forum*

Organizers: Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development (APWLD), co-organized with Association for Women’s Rights in Development (AWID), Coordinadora de la Mujer, the African Women’s Development and Communication Network (FEMNET) and WIDE Network

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Building on the success of the Women’s Forum at Accra in 2008, women’s organisations involved with BetterAid plan to organise a Women’s Forum in Busan. Women’s rights organisations assert the need for sufficient space for women’s organisations (and organisations working to advance women’s rights) to develop and share a feminist vision of development and development cooperation. The Forum will be designed to both coordinate and advance the advocacy of women’s organisations during the HLF and to strengthen women’s participation in the process.

4. *Human Rights and Development Cooperation: From Commitment to Reality*

Organizers: FORUM-ASIA, IBON

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5. *Promoting an Enabling Environment for Civil Society – Challenges and Responses* (Open to everyone)

Organizers: ICNL, CIVICUS, Oxfam, Open Forum

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This workshop will engage participants in the discussion of challenges and opportunities related to democratic space and an enabling environment for civil society around the globe and in different contexts, with the aim of creating common ground and a collective voice for promoting this issue at the HLF4 and beyond. These discussions will be instrumental in honing and coordinating CSO contributions on ownership and enabling environment during HLF4. The event will also provide a unique opportunity for CSOs to directly engage with Maina Kiai, UN Special Rapporteur on the Rights to Freedom of Association and Assembly.

6. Aid Effectiveness in Conflict Affected and Fragile States: a New Deal for whom? (Open to everyone)

Organizers: Conciliation Resources, CARE, CDA Collaborative Learning Projects, Development Initiatives, GPPAC, Interpeace, Saferworld, Tiri - Making Integrity Work

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1.5 billion people live in areas affected by conflict, fragility and violence. Not one low-income fragile or conflict-affected state has achieved a single Millennium Development Goal.

This workshop will be an opportunity for a wide range of civil society, multi-mandate agencies, peacebuilding, development and humanitarian actors from the North and the South to:

- Foster a common understanding on the ongoing issues and processes related to aid effectiveness in CAFs;
- Share common challenges faced by civil society actors in CAFs;
- Jointly strategise for the official HLF4 process and the outcome document;
- Discuss the implications of this new framework for civil society in CAFs post-Busan.

7. Transparency, accountability and verification: priorities for HLF4 and beyond (Open to anyone)

Organizers: Development Initiatives, ICSO Advisory Group of the Open Forum, Tiri, PWYF, ONE

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Transparency, accountability and verification provide the essential foundations for improving effectiveness. This workshop seeks to provide CSOs with the opportunity to discuss:

- a) How best to secure a stronger commitments to transparency, accountability and verification at HLF4;
- b) How to maintain pressure on Governments beyond Busan to fully implement HLF4 commitments in these areas.

8. Development effectiveness and roles of civil society organizations in Arab region: consultation results and next steps (Open to everyone)

Organizers: Arab NGO Network for Development (ANND)

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The Fourth High Level Forum (HLF4) comes at a time when the Arab region is witnessing critical changes in its political governance as well as questions on the development model adopted in the region thus far. To address these issues, the Arab NGO Network for Development is organizing a session during the Busan Civil Society Forum entitled "Development effectiveness and roles of civil society organizations in Arab region: consultation results and next steps". The session will be an opportunity to address these issues, share reflections and recommendations resulting from a series of consultations around aid and development effectiveness held in the Arab region, and discuss the challenges and opportunities in the light of peoples' revolutions in the Arab region.

Day 1 – Session 2 (16h15 to 18h00)

1. **Reality of Aid Global Meeting and Workshop on Aid and the Private Sector** (continued from Day 1 – session 1)
2. **Development for a Decent World. Trade Union preparatory meeting for the HLF-4** (continued from Day 1 – session 1)
3. **Global Women's Forum** (continued from Day 1 – session 1)
4. **Human Rights and Development Cooperation: From Commitment to Reality** (continued from Day 1 – session 1)
5. **Promoting an Enabling Environment for Civil Society – Challenges and Responses** (continued from Day 1 – session 1)

6. Aid transparency: A ranking of 58 donors and the Swiss experience (Open to everyone)

Organizers: Publish What You Fund, AidRating and CSEND Switzerland.

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Publish What You Fund will present the findings and methodology for its pilot Aid Transparency Index, which ranks 58 donor agencies according to how much aid information they provide across 35 different indicators. CSEND will be looking at policy monitoring in Switzerland as a means to enhance decision making transparency – data will be presented on 5 countries. AidRating will discuss the promotion of transparency to the public in Switzerland and its rating and ranking scheme, which is published annually – practical examples and 2011 results for the largest Swiss agencies will be presented.

7. From Busan to Rio+20 and Beyond 2015 (MDGs)

Organizers: KoFID, GCAP, CIVICUS and Social Watch

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Given the fact that main focus of Busan HLF-4 is shifted from aid effectiveness to development effectiveness, it is important to discuss aid / development cooperation in the context of Rio+20 and search for new framework or paradigm for post-MDGs in 2015. This event is expected to provide an opportunity for CSOs engaged in MDGs and sustainable development (Rio agenda) to examine it in connection with the Busan HLF-4.

8. Exploring the 'value for money' and 'results' agendas in aid effectiveness – implications and opportunities for CSOs

Organizers: BOND, Oxfam

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The overall objective of this event is **to create an opportunity for CSOs to come together to discuss and debate the** concepts of 'value for money' and 'results' and in particular, to explore the challenges and opportunities of the emerging focus by donor governments on value for money as a driver of development and aid effectiveness.

Day 2 – Session 1 (09h00 to 10h45)

1. **Development for a Decent World. Trade Union preparatory meeting for the HLF-4** (continued from Day 1 – session 2)

2. **Global Women's Forum** (continued from Day 1 – session 2)

3. **Politics of Aid, Development Effectiveness and LDCs: The Context of Istanbul Programme of Action (IPoA)** (Open to everyone)

Organizers: LDC Watch with SAAPE, JSAPMDD, KoFID & RRN

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It is to highlight the importance and urgency to implement the IPoA, focusing graduation of the LDCs, & the need for comprehensive revision in the global aid architect, not the 'business as usual', but development effectiveness which should pursue a new international development architecture that is inclusive, rights-based & democratic, promoting local democracy, sovereignty & peace, in the context of IPoA & HLF4.

4. **Whose Ownership Matters? Development Results & Accountability for People: From CSO's Perspectives** (Open to everyone)

Organizers: Reality of Aid, KoFID, ODA Watch / ReDI, VOICE, AidRating, CSEND

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Despite some progress made to enhance aid effectiveness by many of partner countries since the Paris High Level Forum in 2005, the results of the Paris Declaration and, in particular, donors' contributions are rather disappointing. By taking this important opportunity at the 4th High Level Forum, the international development community currently considers seeking a new dialogue from aid effectiveness to development effectiveness in order to achieve development results as promised. At this critical time of change, it is a time for all of us, KoFID (Korea Civil Society Forum on International Development Cooperation) with ODA Watch, Re-shaping Development Institute (ReDI), Reality of Aid (RoA), VOICE (Voice for Interactive Choice & Empowerment), AidRating/CSEND as well as international development communities are collectively search genuine meaning of what development results mean and whom they are for.

5. *Effective Aid for Better Health* (Open to everyone)

Organizers: Busan Health Working Group

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The primary aims of this event are to showcase aid effectiveness practices in the health, and water and sanitation sectors, and to galvanise CSOs to more effectively engage with and promote aid effectiveness mechanisms in these sectors

6. *Successful Accountability Instruments for CSOs* (Open to everyone)

Organizers: CIVICUS, The INGO Accountability Charter, Open Forum

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CIVICUS, the INGO Accountability Charter and the Open Forum for Development Effectiveness have joined forces to organise an event which proactively tackles the question of ICSO accountability and lays down a well founded line of defence for criticism of lacking CSO accountability, as could be expected from some governments during the HLF. Under the title “Successful Accountability Instruments for CSOs” the aim is to present and draw on a number of recognized examples for improved accountability, from the CSO as well as the ICSO perspective. We will also engage in discussions on how to further improve our sector’s accountability and how to respond to the criticism of poor CSO accountability.”

7. *The role of Faith Based Organizations in Governance Assessments and Social Accountability*

Organizers: Act Alliance

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The organizers of this session want to help connect those working to resist the clampdown on civil society actors, learning from their analysis and successes, and identifying future needed actions. The session aims to assess the risks, discuss the identified trends that mark the clampdown on civil society (see Act Alliance 2011 report: Shrinking Political Space of Civil Society Action” : (<http://www.actalliance.org/resources/publications/Shrinking-political-space-of-civil-society-action.pdf>) and identify successful stories and strategies that can contribute to improving the role of civil society in assessments and accountability, even in contexts of limited political space. ACT Alliance’s main added value here is thought to be a provider of people’s lived experiences from the ground. Panelists from South partner will be invited to share their experiences.

8. *An International Framework for CSO Development Effectiveness: CSO effectiveness and impact at HLF4 and beyond* (Open to everyon)

Organizer: Open Forum

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Following the recognition of civil society as a development actor in its own right in Accra at HLF3, CSOs undertook to define our own development effectiveness standards through a global consultation process known as the Open Forum for CSO Development Effectiveness. For three years, the Open Forum has been mobilizing and consulting with thousands of civil society organizations (CSOs) across the world to develop the mutually shared standards and statements that guide our development work. The International Framework is the consolidated outcome of this process, and a strong collective political statement for acknowledgement by governments and donors in the CSO Key Messages and Proposals at HLF4. This workshop will engage participants with the International Framework as a lobby tool at HLF4, as well as introducing the Implementation and Advocacy Toolkits to help guide CSOs wanting to “put the principles into practice” in their own national contexts.

Day 2 – Session 2 (11h00 to 12h45)

1. ***Development for a Decent World. Trade Union preparatory meeting for the HLF-4*** (continued from Day 2 – session 1)
2. ***Global Women’s Forum*** (continued from Day 2 – session 1)
3. ***Politics of Aid, Development Effectiveness and LDCs: The Context of Istanbul Programme of Action (IPoA)*** (continued from Day 2 – session 1)
4. ***Whose Ownership Matters? Development Results & Accountability for People: From CSO’s Perspectives*** (continued from Day 2 – session 1)

5. **Effective Aid for Better Health** (continued from Day 2 – session 1)

6. **CSO Accountability and Transparency** (NOT OFFICIAL TITLE)

Organizers: The International Forum of national NGO platforms (IFP), Iniciativa Regional Rendir Cuentas, ALOP/Open Forum/Corporación Región and Open Forum/AidWatch Canada

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7. **Working together to make the EU more accountable** (Open to everyone)

Organizers: AidWatch EU, CONCORD, ActionAid

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The European Union is the major donor block; aid and development policies agreed in Brussels may change the lives of many. But do you really know how it works? AidWatch invites all NGO delegates to a discussion on how to improve the monitoring of EU policies in the post Busan framework. The event is meant to offer an opportunity for all delegates to know more about how AidWatch works, namely its mission, objectives, methodology and plans for 2012. Also, AW members are keen to learn from experts and practitioners that face the same sort challenges at different latitudes. We want to stir interest and create opportunities for partnerships. AidWatch has been reflecting for some years already on the need to create a space for productive sharing of information and lessons from colleagues around the globe. In fact, AW aims at making sure that its analysis and policy positions truly reflect the perspectives of all stakeholders and rightholders. The seminar will include an initial presentation from the AidWatch team and will then proceed through an open discussion focusing on possible joint activities in 2012.