



## STRENGTHENING GRANT-MAKING SYSTEMS

The philanthropy sector has undergone significant operational adjustments occasioned by COVID-19's disruptive effects on development underscoring the need for a strengthened and renewed multilateralism and a new approach to partnerships. Dynamic Accountability and Participatory Grantmaking is undergoing an overhaul. Civil Society Organizations must embrace a participatory approach to grantmaking whilst remaining accountable to their partners and beneficiaries.

Key Issues that are arising include;

### 1. Robust stakeholder engagement

Ideally, organizations should engage with their constituents before making decisions. This includes a needs analysis that identifies what the constituent's want, not what the organization thinks they want. This builds relationships and demonstrates an organizations willingness to listen, engage and enable participatory approaches that foster trust and results in enhanced effectiveness, efficiency, impact and accountability.

### 2. Feedback Mechanisms

The practice of Dynamic Accountability closes a feedback loop and enables CSOs to act by collecting relevant data and prioritize activities to adapt to beneficiary/constituent needs. The current environment demands a reprogramming towards emergency relief and health related issues which should then lead to reflection and learning.

### 3. Harnessing the power of partnerships

Collaborations and partnerships are powerful tools in strengthening information sharing and collective bargaining. This can be used to map out needs of communities and demand transparency from right holders in the use of public funds, case in point COVID19 funds.

### 4. Prioritizing accountability

For many organizations during this erratic COVID19 era, accountability can easily be forgotten and fall through the cracks. During this time, Dynamic Accountability is important to ensure the harnessing and use of the available limited resources. Organizations should find it useful to enjoin Dynamic Accountability into each step of programming processes.



We invite you to join us on August 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am to 12.30PM for this exciting peer learning session. Please click [HERE](#) for more information about the learning and [HERE](#) to register for the session.

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