



July 22, 2013

Dear Colleagues,

The AGOA Civil Society Session of the 12<sup>th</sup> AGOA – US-Africa Trade and Economic Cooperation Forum is scheduled to take place August 10 -12. The theme for the 12<sup>th</sup> AGOA Forum is “**Sustainable Transformation through Trade and Technology.**” This year’s Forum is being hosted by the Government of the Federal Republic of Ethiopia, and the planning for the CSO Session is being coordinated by the Ethiopian Civil Society Organization Planning Committee and the AGOA Civil Society Organization Network.

The Civil Society Organization planning committee is preparing for a maximum of one hundred **(100) CSO members** to participate in 2013 Forum.

Participation is limited and all CSO participants **MUST** be accredited prior to arriving in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

If you are planning to attend the 2013 AGOA Forum, we advise that you register online at <http://www.agoa2013ethiopia.org/>, as soon as possible, but **not later than, Friday July 26, 2013**. After registering, please immediately forward a copy of your registration form to the AGOA Civil Society Organization Network Secretariat at: [agoacsonetwork@democracy-africa.org](mailto:agoacsonetwork@democracy-africa.org); this is required so that the Secretariat can confirm your organization’s registration with the accreditation office in Addis Ababa, not following these instructions may result in your not being accredited to participate in the Forum. Also, please note that the deadline for registration is **JULY 31, 2013**.

Due to limited seating availability, accreditation is for **qualified** Civil Society Organizations, only, and is on a first come basis. We recommend that once you receive your accreditation letter that you make your hotel and travel arrangements.

Thank you for your interest and we look forward to your full participation in this very important Forum.

Please visit our web pages at: <http://www.democracy-africa.org/agoa-civil-society-network.html> for updates on the 2013 Forum and CSO’s contribution to the Forum.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at: [agoacsonetwork@democracy-africa.org](mailto:agoacsonetwork@democracy-africa.org)

Warm Regards,

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