



#### 6th ANNUAL ECOWAS FORUM OF NATIONAL VOLUNTEER AGENCIES IN WEST AFRICA

#### Cotonou, Republic of Benin, 27 - 29 May 2024

### THEME: "Innovating for Impact: Transforming Volunteerism through Innovation in the ECOWAS Region"

#### WORK PROGRAMME

### Day 1

| TIMING        | ACTIVITIES   | ACTION BY  |
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|               | OPENING CEREMONY   | STATE PROTOCOLE  |
| 08:00 - 8:45  | Arrival and installation of participants   | EYSDC / ANpE   |
| 08:45 - 09:00 | Arrival of officials   | EYSDC / ANpE   |
| 09:00 - 09:10 | Welcome remarks  | DG ANpE  |
| 09:10 - 09:20 | Address by Commissioner for Human Development and Social Affairs, ECOWAS Commission  | Commissioner for Human Development and Social Affairs, ECOWAS Commission |
| 09:20 - 09:30 | Artistic break: Traditional Dance  | Djolokoko  |
| 09:30 - 09:35 | Documentary on the ECOWAS Volunteers Programme   | Monique  |
| 09:35 – 09:45 | Opening Speech by the Minister of Small and Medium-sized Enterprises and Employment Promotion  | Minister Modeste Kerekou or representative                               |
| 09:45 - 09:55 | Artistic break: Traditional Dance  | Djolokoko  |
| 09:55 – 10:05 | Group Photograph   | Communication EYSDC  |
| 10:05 – 10:20 | Coffee Break   |  |
| 10:20 – 10:30 | Introduction of participants   | Facilitator  |
| 10:30 – 10:40 | <ul><li>Constitution of the Presidium</li><li>Adoption of Agenda and Work Programme</li></ul>  | Chair of the Forum   |
| 10:40 - 10:50 | Review of the objectives and expected outcomes of the 6 <sup>th</sup> Forum  | Director EYSDC   |
| 10:50 – 11:20 | <ul> <li>Presentations (5 min each) on the status of implementation of the resolutions of the 5th Forum by the 15 Member States, the Executive Secretariat of the Forum (EYSDC) and partners (UNV, France Volontaires, any partner and NGO who participated in the 5<sup>th</sup> Forum)</li> <li>Presentation on the progress of the SoP selection</li> </ul> | EVP<br>Facilitator<br>Participants                                       |
| 11:20 – 11:35 | Exchanges to complete or correct factual errors  | EVP/Facilitator/Participants   |

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| 11:35 – 13:00 | Introduction and general discussion on the theme of the 6th Forum:<br>"Innovating for Impact: Transforming Volunteerism through Innovation in<br>the ECOWAS Region<br>Presentation by CONFEJES<br>Discussions | Facilitator/Participants       |  |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch Break   |                                |  |
| 14:00 – 14:30 | <ul> <li>Distribution into working groups</li> <li>Selection of focal points for different working groups</li> </ul>  | Forum Chair and Facilitator    |  |
| 14:30 – 16:30 | Working Group sessions  | Resource Person / Participants |  |
| 16:30 – 17:00 | Coffee Break: Participants take a break and return to their workgroups  |                                |  |
| 17:00 – 18:00 | Working Group sessions  | Rapporteurs/Participants       |  |

## DAY 2

| TIMING        | ACTIVITIES  | ACTION BY                     |
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| 09:00 - 11:00 | Presentation of outcomes from working groups: Participants go through the ideas and ask questions for clarification | Rapporteurs/Participants      |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | Coffee Break  |                               |
| 11:30 - 12:00 | Launching of the published 2021 Best Practice Guide   | EYSDC                         |
| 12:00 - 12:30 | Any other business/Information on up-coming events of interest  | Rapporteurs/Participants      |
| 12:30 - 14:00 | Choice of theme and venue of the 7 <sup>th</sup> Forum  | Resource Person/ Participants |
| 14:00 – 15:00 | LUNCH   |                               |
| 18:00         | ECOWAS DAY Celebration  |                               |

# DAY 3

| TIMING        | ACTIVITIES                           | ACTION BY                   |
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| 08:30 - 10:30 | Drafting and Translation of Report   | Rapporteurs and secretariat |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Coffee Break                         |                             |
| 11:00 - 12:00 | Consideration and adoption of report | Participants                |
| 12:00 - 12:30 | Closing Ceremony                     | Director EYSDC and Partners |
| 12:30 - 13:30 | LUNCH                                |                             |
| 13:30 – 17:00 | Tourist sites visitation<br>OUIDAH   | ANpE                        |
|               | End of Forum                         |                             |