

## EMPOWERING VOICES, BUILDING TOMORROW.



CÔTE D'IVOIRE

A more participative future begins with the voices we elevate today. By enhancing participation of women and youth, we build stronger, more inclusive democracies for tomorrow.

Women and youth remain underrepresented in political decision-making in Côte D'Ivoire. **Only 15% of seats in the National Assembly are held by women, while young people**, despite forming a significant part of the population, **struggle to access leadership opportunities** within political parties.

The **WYDE Political Parties Project** works to foster a more inclusive democracy, ensuring women and youth are not only participants but leaders in shaping political processes. Through **capacity building, legal and policy reform, research, and multiparty cooperation**, the project provides targeted support to strengthen political inclusion.

## The Multiparty, Multi-Country, Single-Party Approach.

WYDE Political Parties operates through three complementary approaches to maximize political inclusivity and institutional impact:

- **Multiparty:** Strengthening cross-party dialogue and inclusivity across ideological lines.
- **Single-Party:** Supporting internal party reforms for greater youth & women's participation.
- **Multi-Country:** Engaging regional networks for knowledge exchange and shared best practices.

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## Key Initiatives

### Capacity Building & Leadership Development

- Training and capacity building for young and female political leaders.
- Trainerg of Trainers (ToT) for self-sustaining network within political parties.

### Policy Reform & Electoral Frameworks

- Supporting policy dialogues on inclusion and representation.
- Research on public financing and electoral laws affecting youth and women.

### Research & Political Advocacy

- Post-election studies on youth and women's engagement.
- Publications and advocacy efforts to influence political reform.

### Best Practice Exchange & Political Alliances

- Regional conferences for youth and women's leadership.
- Coalition-building workshops for ruling and opposition parties.
- Youth Advisory Board (YAB): identification and amplification of emerging leaders.

## Implementing Partners

- CIS (Centerpartiets Internationella Stiftelse)
- IGD (Institut Général Tiémoko Marc Garango)
- KAS (Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung)
- FNF (Friedrich Naumann Stiftung)

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WYDE Political Parties is part of the broader EU initiative WYDE - Women and Youth Democratic Engagement, under the European Commission's Thematic Programme for Human Rights and Democracy 2021-2027. The project's main goal is to strengthen the capacity of political parties globally to be more inclusive and representative, particularly of women and youth, who are often underrepresented in political processes.