

WAEON collaborates with NDI in the Liberian 2017 Elections

What WAEON seeks to do in the Liberia 2017 Elections

The West Africa Election Observers Network (WAEON) is collaborating with the Washington DC-based National Democratic Institute (NDI) to participate in the upcoming general elections in Liberia, scheduled for October 10, 2017. Through NDI, WAEON will contribute to NDI International Observation Mission for the elections. The ultimate aim of this collaboration are to:

- Contribute towards enhancing citizens' confidence in the electoral process;
- Lend credence to the final outcome of the election results that would be declared by the National Electoral Commission (NEC);
- Collaborate with other civil society organizations (CSOs) in the West Africa sub-region.

Snapshot of WAEON's Activities

Through NDI, WAEON will engage in the following:

- Deployment of two (2) WAEON members as Long Term Observers (LTOs) for four months;
- Deployment of four (4) WAEON members as Short Term Observers (STOs) for Election Day observation and possible run-off; and
- Collaborate with the Liberian Election Coordinating Committee (ECC), a WAEON member, to organize Post-Election Stakeholder Review workshops that will feed into advocacy for future electoral reforms.

Expected Outcome of WAEON-NDI Collaboration

The following are the expected impacts that the implementation of this collaboration will bring about:

- a. Enhance citizen's confidence in the electoral process by lending credence to the outcome of the election results;
- b. Strengthen civil society collaboration in election observation within the West African sub-region; and
- c. Strengthen WAEON through the engagements of member organizations.

Duration

This collaboration will take place between June, 2017 and February, 2018

About WAEON

The West Africa Election Observers Network (WAEON) was formed in 2010 to mobilize citizen groups to participate in elections within the West Africa sub-region. WAEON comprises of eleven civil society organizations from eleven West African countries: Niger, Nigeria, Togo, Burkina Faso, Ghana, Liberia, Mali, Senegal, Cote d'Ivoire, Guinea, and Sierra Leone. It recently granted observer status to two civil society organizations from Benin and the Gambia. WAEON's organizational structure consists of a General Assembly, an elected Executive Council and a Secretariat.

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