



## PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Under the banner of '**building solidarity to fight poverty and inequality**' SANGOCO intends to host **National NGO Week 2011 during the month of November 2011** in **Cape Town** enabling SANGOCO provincial structures to come together, meaningfully participate, engage and learn from one another in order to plan programmatic activities which promote and build understandings of human rights. Importantly, the Western Cape is a critical site to strengthen civil society activities and SANGOCO is an important vehicle to facilitate coherent input into government policies and programmes. Since, Parliament is located here it provides the Coalition with opportunities to ensure that voices that should be represented in parliament and other international fora are capacitated and heard.

**Aims and objectives of NGO Week 2011:** NGO Week 2011 aims to create a platform to promote and strengthen civil society's role but also serve to revitalize SANGOCO as it marks an important opportunity for the Coalition to:

- ✓ Reflect on and share our collective experiences, knowledge's, works and views from within SANGOCO and the sector more broadly.
- ✓ Analyse the changing environment and the factors which shape it.
- ✓ Collectively clarify the role, vision, mission and programmatic interventions of the Coalition.
- ✓ Assess and articulate the central leadership, institutional and strategic capacity challenges, opportunities and options for SANGOCO and the civil society community.
- ✓ Foster ongoing working relationships between and amongst the nine provincial SANGOCO structures and different civil society actors by devising strategic and practical ways to address poverty and inequality; and
- ✓ Establish the basis for the development of a short, medium and long term strategy to strengthen and revitalise the Coalition and civil society to address development challenges and deepen democracy across all the provinces of South Africa.

TIME	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DAY 1: Wednesday, 23rd November 2011</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(SANGOCO MEMBERS)</p>
	<p><b>Rationale:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Collectively clarify the role, vision, mission and programmatic interventions of the Coalition.</li> <li>✓ Assess and articulate the central leadership, institutional and strategic capacity challenges, opportunities and options for SANGOCO and the civil society community</li> </ul>
9h00 – 11h30	<p><b>Plenary: Opening and Welcome</b></p> <p>Accreditation</p> <p>Overview of the Programme</p> <p>Confirmation of the Agenda</p> <p>Confirmation of the Constitution</p> <p>Adoption of the minutes of NGO Week 2008</p> <p>Confirmation of Standing orders</p>
11h30 – 12h00	<p><b>MORNING TEA</b></p>
12h00 – 13h00	<p><b>Plenary: Critical engagements for social justice – Strengthening Civil society partnerships with other actors</b></p> <p>Keynote Address: Office of the Presidency of South Africa</p> <p>Messages of support conveyed by: CEO of the National Development Agency: Ms Vuyelwa Nhlapo</p>
13h00 – 14h00	<p><b>LUNCH</b></p>
14h00 – 16h00	<p><b>Plenary: Organisational and Provincial Reports</b></p> <p>Presidential Report</p>

	<p>Organisational Review  Treasurer's Report  Provincial Reports  Discussion:</p>
16h00 – 17h00	<b>Plenary: Organisational Review: Ensuring effective planning, management and coordination of the Coalition at all levels</b>
16h00 – 18h00	<p><b>Parallel Round-table discussions</b></p> <p><b>Vision:</b> Collectively clarify the role, vision, mission and programmatic interventions of the Coalition</p> <p><b>Constitutional Review and Institutional Architecture:</b> Assess and articulate the, institutional and strategic capacity challenges, opportunities and options for SANGOCO</p> <p><b>Leadership &amp; Governance Review</b> Assess and articulate the central leadership, strategic capacity challenges, opportunities and options for SANGOCO and the civil society community</p>
18h00 – 19h00	<b>Plenary: Reportback</b>
TIME	<p><b>DAY 2: Thursday, 24th November 2011</b></p> <p>OPEN SESSIONS  ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSIONS, DEBATES AND DIALOGUES</p>
	<p><b>Rationale:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Reflect on and share our collective experiences, knowledge's, works and views from within SANGOCO and the sector more broadly</li> <li>✓ Analyse the changing environment and the factors which shape it: Ensuring an effective sustainable enabling environment</li> </ul>
09h00 – 09h30	<p><b>Plenary: Opening and Welcome</b></p> <p><b>The Role of CSOs in confronting the challenges of poverty and inequality:</b>  Southern African Development Trust: Ashley Green-Thompson</p>
09h30 – 10h00	<b>MORNING TEA</b>
10h15 – 13h00	<b>Ensuring socio-economic justice by organising our sectoral networks</b>

	<p><b>Parallel Round-Table Discussions</b></p> <p><b>Youth: Unlocking skills and Creating Jobs</b> (South African Youth Council / COSATU Young Workers Forum / National Youth Development Council / The Jobs Fund)</p> <p><b>National Health Insurance: Strengthening our Health Systems</b> Treatment Action Campaign / Peoples Health Movement SA / COSATU / Aids Response / Black Sash</p> <p><b>Children’s Rights Dialogue</b> Children’s Rights Forum / UNICEF / ACCESS, DICAG &amp; CHAIN</p> <p><b>Promoting Jobs, Land, Housing and Food Security: Provincial Perspectives</b> Eastern Cape Coalition / SANGOCO Western Cape / Proudly Manenberg</p> <p><b>What policies and legislation are in place to protect vulnerable groups?</b> The Women’s Shelter / Rainbow House / LGBTQI</p>
13h00 – 14h00	<b>LUNCH</b>
14h00 – 16h30	<p><b>Plenary: Building a sustainable and effective enabling environment</b></p> <p><b>Ensuring flow of resources to civil society umbrella organisations</b> SANGOCO / NDA /NLTB</p> <p><b>Civil Society uniting in the fight against Corruption: SANGOCO</b> Towards shaping a National Anti-Corruption Agenda</p>
<b>TIME</b>	<p><b>DAY 3: Friday, 25th November 2011</b></p> <p><b>TAKING FORWARD THE RESOLUTIONS</b></p>
	<p><b>Rationale</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Foster ongoing working relationships between and amongst the nine provincial SANGOCO structures and different civil society actors by devising strategic and practical ways to address poverty and inequality; and</li> <li>✓ Establish the basis for the development of a short, medium and long term strategy to strengthen and revitalise the Coalition and civil society to address development challenges and deepen democracy across all the provinces of South Africa.</li> </ul>

9h00 – 11h30	<p><b>Plenary: Opening and Welcome</b></p> <p><b>Adoption of Resolutions</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Constitution</li> <li>2. Institutional architecture</li> <li>3. Leadership and Governance</li> <li>4. Campaigns</li> <li>5. Sectoral Resolutions</li> </ol>
11h30 – 12h00	<b>MORNING TEA</b>
12h00 – 13h00	<b>Plenary: Function, Form and structure of the Coalition</b>
13h00 – 14h00	<b>LUNCH</b>
14h00 – 16h00	<b>Plenary: Adoption of SANGOCO Plan of Action/Road-Map 2011 - 2013</b>
	<b>Closing statements</b>

Please note the full programme and session abstracts will be loaded onto the website by **Monday, 21st November 2011**

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