



WELCOME TO OUR RECIPE PROJECT BULLETIN

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ReCIPE (which stands for “Recentering the Civic Internet through Partner Engagement”) is a project led by Oxfam Ireland and co-funded by the European Union with the aim of cultivating a rights-respecting digital ecosystem. ReCIPE is implemented with partners in 10 countries: Bolivia, Cambodia, El Salvador, Kenya, Occupied Palestinian Territory, Senegal, Somalia, Tunisia, Uganda and Vietnam.

This Bulletin covers key highlights from project implementation during April 2025.

ACTIVITIES

- In Bolivia, Asociación Aguayo (in collaboration with Fundación InternetBolivia.org) held a training workshop for public servants in partnership with the Gender Directorate of the Santa Cruz Governor's Office. The workshop aimed to strengthen their technical and interpersonal skills to respond to cases of digital gender-based violence.
- The Co-operation Committee for Cambodia (CCC) coordinated the Digital Rights Working Group meeting on April 22.
- The Center for Constitutional Governance (CCG) held an in-person workshop on digital literacy and digital security in Uganda.
- Oxfam and Forum Civil held a workshop on the formulation, content and implementation of the New Deal For Technology, a comprehensive digital strategy recently launched by Senegal’s government.



Photos from the workshop on responding to cases of digital gender-based violence held by Asociación Aguayo (in collaboration with Fundación InternetBolivia.org).

- Al Khatt in collaboration with Oxfam in Tunisia held an intensive training on digital rights and digital security. 18 participants from civil society and media received training to strengthen their skills in personal data protection, digital risk management and digital sovereignty, and promoted secure and responsible use of technologies.



Photos from Forum Civil's workshop on the New Deal for Technology.



Photos from Al Khatt's training on digital rights and digital security.

EVENTS

SONSA contributed to the National Human Rights Summit organized by the Ministry of Family and Human Rights Development on April 14, 2025, which centred around civil and political rights, focusing on the roles of women and youth in society. During the event, SONSA encouraged participants to collaborate effectively to reduce internet violations against women, including blackmail, and to advocate for access to the internet and other digital rights relevant to human rights.

SONSA led Somali civil society participation in an event for the Girls in ICT Day 2025 Conference, hosted by the National Communications Authority (NCA) in partnership with National Telecommunication and Technology Institute (NTTI Somalia) and SIMADiLab under SIMAD University. The event, titled "Girls in ICT for Inclusive Digital Transformation," aimed to champion digital inclusion and empower young Somali women in tech.

Oxfam and the Center for Constitutional Governance (CCG) contributed to the Uganda Internet Governance Forum (IGF).



On April 22, in commemoration of International Girls in ICT Day, in Bolivia, ReCIPE partner Asociación Aguayo (in collaboration with Fundación Internet Bolivia), in alliance with the Vice Ministry of Opportunities, held a seminar on Preventing Gender-Based Violence Perpetrated Through Technology. The event also featured a theatrical performance as a means of raising awareness.

Photo from a theatrical performance hosted by Asociación Aguayo (in collaboration with Fundación Internet Bolivia) to raise awareness on preventing technology-facilitated gender-based violence.

Oxfam facilitated a world café session at the Digital Rights and Inclusion Forum (DRIF) in Lusaka on April 30. Hosts from the Center for Constitutional Governance (CCG) in Uganda, TrustLaw Initiative in Kenya, and digital rights experts from Somalia contributed to the session, which was titled “Digital rights are human rights: How can partnerships help advance rights in a digital age?”.

Participation in this event provided the ReCIPE team with valuable exposure to a wide range of stakeholders in Africa focused on digital rights.



Photos from the Digital Rights and Inclusion Forum (DRIF).

REPORTS & PUBLICATIONS

- Al Khatt has published an article titled "The danger is not limited to journalists: why it is time to amend Decree 54?", discussing legislation intended to stop cybercrime but being used to limit press freedom and free speech. Available in French [here](#) and Arabic [here](#).
- On International Girls in ICT Day, SONSA celebrate the power and potential of girls in technology in Somalia and globally. The SONSA ReCIPE team is committed to advocating for Somali girls' digital inclusion and empowering them with essential skills for success in today's tech-driven world. SONSA published a post on the X (Twitter) platform and [Facebook](#) to raise awareness and promote this important initiative.
- Asociación Aguayo (in collaboration with Fundación Internet Bolivia) published a leaflet with information on digital security tools for women in politics, available [here](#).

SPOTLIGHTING OUR PARTNERS: SOMALIA NON-STATE ACTORS (SONSA)



Oxfam is proud to work with [Somalia Non-State Actors \(SONSA\)](#), a multi-sectoral platform with membership of networks and umbrella organizations including NGOs, CBOs, professional organisations, educational actors, and others. SONSA fosters good governance, encourages social cohesion, and supports the socio-economic development of Somalia through policy advocacy, capacity development, and coordination.

As a partner in the ReCIPE project consortium, SONSA is working to improve data protection and digital governance in Somalia, ensuring safe and equitable access to online tools to assist and enable participation in human rights advocacy.

Learn more about their [work](#) in the framework of the ReCIPE project.

COMING UP:



Digital Security training, Bolivia

Asociación Aguayo and the S.O.S Digital Center, in alliance with the Ombudsman's Office and the Association of Councilwomen, will carry out digital security training sessions for women in politics throughout the month of May.



ReCIPE Kitchen, online

Oxfam Ireland and the Cooperation Committee for Cambodia (CCC) will co-host the first ReCIPE Kitchen, a peer-to-peer learning session. Members of the ReCIPE consortium and representatives from other partner organisations will come together to discuss protecting and expanding the online civic space.



Launch event, Somalia

SONSA will attend the launch of National Identification and Registration Authority NIRA's Systems: HUBIYE Platform (Verifier), Certificate Delivery System (CDS), and e-Aqoonsi Digital Application. This event will benefit SONSA's engagement with various stakeholders, particularly government agencies and other CSOs, to improve digital inclusion.



Kenya Internet Governance Forum (IGF), Nairobi

Oxfam and Mzalendo Trust will contribute to the [Kenya IGF](#), which takes place 12-16 May.



Palestine Digital Activism Forum, Online

MIFTAH will participate in the [Palestine Digital Activism Forum](#) taking place online on 20-21 May 2025.



Ireland Internet Governance Forum (IGF), Dublin

Oxfam will represent the ReCIPE project at the [Ireland IGF](#), with Jim Clarken, Oxfam Ireland's CEO, participating in a panel titled 'Geopolitics and Internet Governance'.



Digital Defenders Network, Bolivia

In Bolivia, the second in-person meeting of the Digital Defenders Network will take place from May 29 to 31.



Global Internet Governance Forum (IGF), Norway

ReCIPE partners will actively contribute to the Global IGF in Lillestrom. Check out our booth in the IGF Village (numbered A02-28 in the meeting's area and online) and make sure to drop by our networking session on mapping and addressing digital rights capacities and threats (event details on the [IGF website](#)).

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