

WELCOME TO OUR RECIPE PROJECT BULLETIN FEBRUARY 2025

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 rightsrespecting 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 February 2025.

ACTIVITIES

- From 4-10 February, Asociación Aguayo (in collaboration with Fundación InternetBolivia.org)
 participated in a training workshop for feminist organisations running helplines for people facing on
 gender-based violence in digital spaces. The workshop was organised in São Paulo, Brasil, by
 MariaLab, a Brazilian feminist non-profit organisation working at the intersection of gender,
 technology and politics, with the objective of building organisational capacities to use digital
 forensic analysis tools for evidence gathering, monitoring and legal accountability in cases of
 tech-facilitated gender-based violence.
- Mzalendo Trust (Kenya) finalised a training manual on digital security practices, digital advocacy, and emerging trends in digital governance, to support the roll-out of capacity building activities for civil society organisations and human rights defenders.



- Asociación Aguayo (in collaboration with Fundación InternetBolivia.org) participated in the first Latin American Summit of Digital Women Defenders held in Mexico City on 24-27 February, together with other members of its recently established network aimed at addressing tech-facilitated gender-based violence in Bolivia.
- Oxfam represented the ReCIPE project partners in the Global Encryption Coalition European Advocacy Workshop hosted by the Internet Society, building ties and discussing strategies among advocates to safeguard the use of strong encryption as a key enabler of privacy and human rights in the digital space.

EVENTS

The Cooperation Committee for Cambodia (CCC) and Asociación Aguayo (in collaboration with Fundación InternetBolivia.org) attended RightsCon 2025, where they engaged with digital rights advocates, government representatives, technologists and business leaders on issues ranging from tech-facilitated gender-based violence to strategies for digital inclusion and online security within constrained civic spaces.

REPORTS & PUBLICATIONS

Report/Publication Title

Oxfam published a <u>blog post</u> on key takeaways from engaging in Internet Governance Forum initiatives during the first year of the ReCIPE project.

SPOTLIGHTING OUR PARTNERS: MZALENDO TRUST, KENYA



Oxfam is proud to work with <u>Mzalendo Trust</u>, a Kenyan non-partisan Parliamentary Monitoring Organisation. Their mission is to promote open, inclusive, and accountable parliaments in Kenya and in Africa more widely. They do this by creating and managing civic technology tools that can be used by everyone, producing evidence-based research, and leading and facilitating advocacy and partnerships with parliaments and other relevant stakeholders. Mzalendo means "patriot" in Swahili.



Learn more about their <u>work</u> in the framework of the ReCIPE project.



COMING UP:



Training

Mzalendo Trust will host a two-day training event for civil society organisations and human rights defenders on digital rights, safety and governance frameworks.



NGO CSW69/Beijing+30 Forum virtual parallel event

Oxfam, Somalia Non-State Actors (SONSA), the Center for Constitutional Governance (Uganda) and Asociación Aguayo (in collaboration with Fundación InternetBolivia.org) will hold a virtual parallel event during the civil society forum happening alongside the 69th UN Commission on the Status of Women (taking place in New York City on 10-21 March 2025), addressing the topic of women's digital inclusion and safety for achieving gender equality.



Digital Rights and Inclusion Forum | Lusaka, Zambia

Oxfam will facilitate a session on the role of multistakeholder partnerships in advancing rights in a digital age with speakers from Kenya, Somalia and Uganda, at the Digital Rights and Inclusion Forum (taking place in Lusaka on 29 April – 1 May 2025).



Palestine Digital Activism Forum | Online

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

To learn more and stay up to date with the ReCIPE Project, visit our website:

<u>oxfamrecipe.eu</u>

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