



## Platform Information

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**Secretariat staff, board and members**

Full staff: 3 | Part time: 1 | Volunteers: 5  
 7 board members | 46 members

**Partner countries of members**

Moldova, Georgia, Armenia, Ukraine, Tunisia, Egypt, Burundi

**Annual budget of the platform****Sources of financing and main expenses**

2011 **Budget:** approx. 140 000 EUR | **Current sources:** Membership fees, MFA, CONCORD (AidWatch), TRIALOG (Platforms support 2012), World Vision Romania | **Expenses:** Project activities (80%), Human resources (19%), Administrative costs (1%)

**Involvement in Development Cooperation/ Development Education projects**

EU funded: TRIALOG, World-Wise-Europe: A more coherent Europe for a fairer World | MFA funded: NGO initiatives in the region (Black Sea NGO Forum, Mobility Fund for Experts Romania-Moldova), Romanian Development Camp

**Working groups of the platform**

Development Education | Policy/Advocacy | Humanitarian Aid

**Involvement in CONCORD working groups**

AidWatch | Cotonou | EPAN | DARE Forum | HIV/AIDS | Policy Forum

**Successes of last year**

- FOND organised the Romanian Development Camp focused on the national strategy on development cooperation policy
- Study Visit to Georgia for member NGOs
- Black Sea NGO Forum 2012
- Launch of the first national AidWatch Report

**Main challenges**

Financial sustainability | Members' involvement weakened by their financial sustainability | Weak policy/advocacy capacity | Ministry of Foreign Affairs staff turnover | Lack of interest from potential relevant actors: local authorities, private sector

**Strategic aim**

Strengthening membership capacities and policy/advocacy component of the platform, fundraising, being more active at European and regional level

**Main events planned for 2013**

The Romanian Development Camp VI | The Black Sea NGO Forum VI | Working group activities | Launch of mobility fund for experts

**Relationship with the MFA and other donors**

The platform is officially recognised as a consultative partner of the MFA with expertise in providing the NGDO perspective on Romanian development cooperation policy. The platform has been negotiating a partnership agreement with the MFA since June 2011, but negotiations stagnated due to staff changes in the ODA Unit. The financing framework with the MFA will continue to be managed in 2012 by UNDP Romania (trilateral agreement).

**ODA spending in million EUR**

86 (2010) | 118 (2011)