

## An initial analysis of RAO relationships with other organisations: Using information provided in their 2004 Funding Applications

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1. The G-RAP funding application form did not use very clearly defined categories, when asking about RAOs' relationships with others. The questions were as follows:
  - Details of any working contacts you have with other RAOs?
  - Details of your involvement in any networks, joint- campaigns, lobbying etc?
  - What structured collaboration do you have with civil society organisations?
  - Give details of any other grants or funding you have received in the last 3 years?
  - Are you currently seeking funding from any other organisation?
2. The answers given to these questions were collated into a spreadsheet. I then asked G-RAP staff to assist with the categorisation of all the organisations that were listed. The categories used were:
  - Educational Institutions, RAOs, Coalitions & Networks, Membership organisations, Religious organisations, Regional organisations, Bilateral aid organisations, Multilateral organisations, Government of Ghana, International Organisations, Commercial organisations, and Others
  - Where necessary, an organisation has been listed under more than one category. E.g. Membership & Regional
  - The organisations and their categorisations are listed at the end of this paper. The key to the category numbers is at the end of the list.
3. The table below shows the frequency distribution of types of organisations mentioned by each RAO<sup>1</sup>. The RAOs with the widest range of connections (to many types of organisations) are listed to the top. The types of organisations that were mentioned the most frequently by the RAOs are listed to the left.
  - The RAOs with the most varied, and numerous (self-reported) connections were ABANTU for Development Ghana, and Ghana Center for Democratic Development (CDD). Does this view correspond with other information at hand?
  - The RAOs with the least varied and least numerous (self-reported) connections were Ghana Trades Union Congress (TUC) and Third World Network (TWN). Does this view correspond with other information at hand?
4. The most commonly mentioned types of organisations were other RAOs, INGOs, Coalitions and networks, and Regional organisations. Of more interest and concern were the types of organisations infrequently mentioned:
  - Firstly, there appear to be very few, if any, organisations that could be called Community Based Organisations (CBOs). This may reflect my failure to notice them in the listed organisations, and/or the result of the application form not asking about them specifically. Since RAO linkages with CBOs are central to the G-RAP strategy this problem needs attention.
    - G-RAP staff should examine the list of RAO-mentioned organisations to identify any that qualify as CBOs (and explain why)
    - The next round of funding should include an application form that asks specifically about RAO linkages with CBOs.

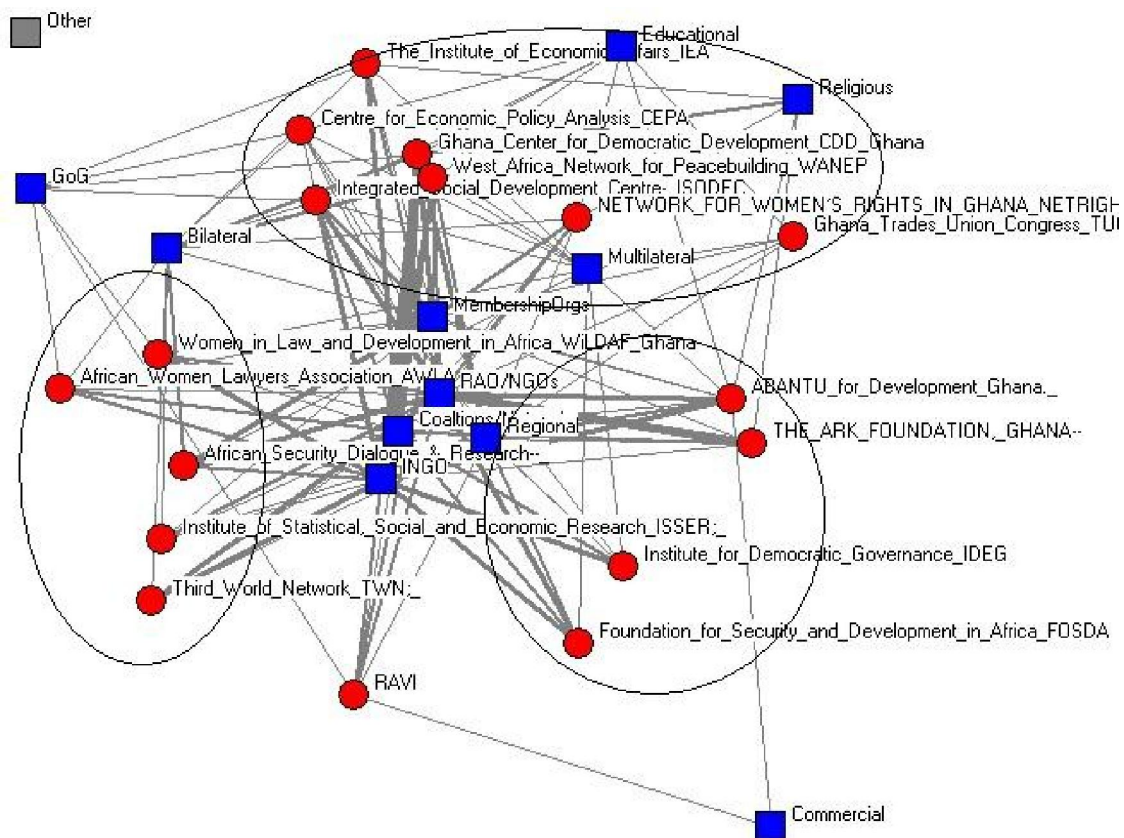
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<sup>1</sup> RAVI has been included, though it is not a RAO

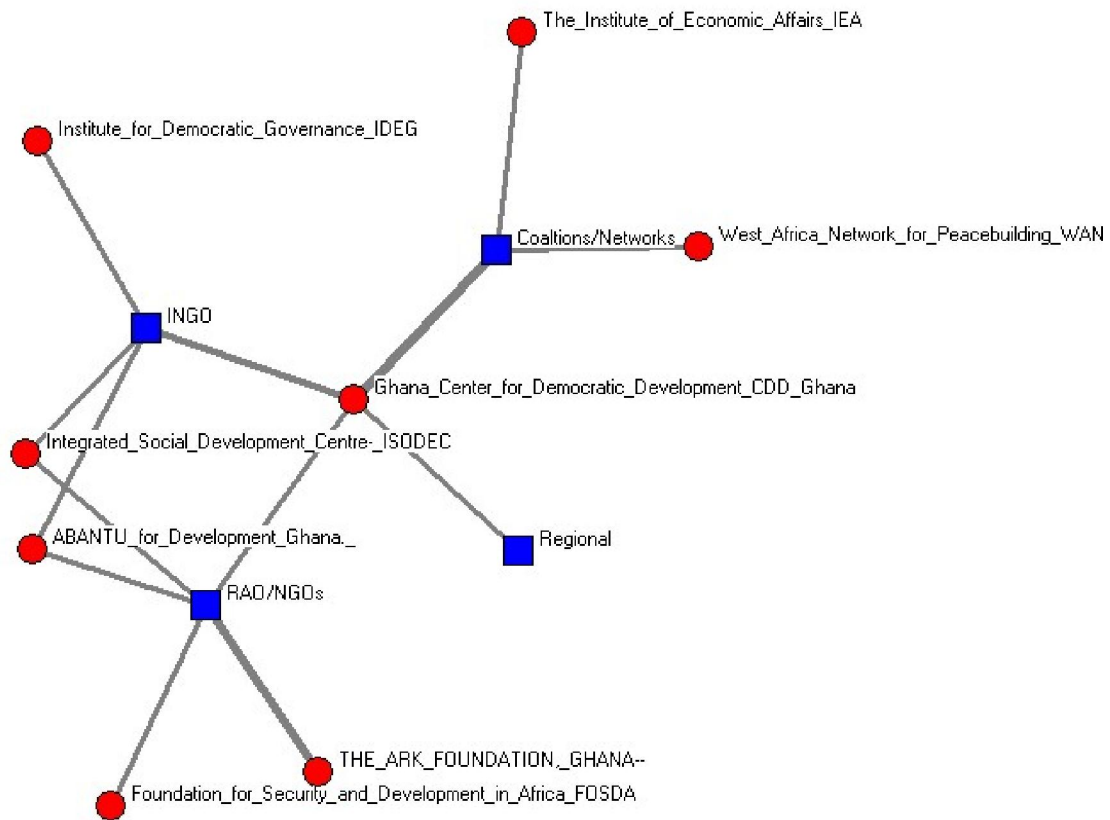
- The current baseline survey is already addressing this question by specifically asking about RAO connections with CBOs in 2005 and 2006. We need to see how RAOs' classifications of CBOs overlap with G-RAP classifications. This may need to be discussed in the workshop with RAOs in January.
- Secondly, the number of linkages with Government of Ghana was small. Only 7 of the 16 RAOs mentioned GoG links, and the average number of links was much smaller than the average number of links with other kinds of organisations. Because RAO linkages with GoG are a key part of the G-RAP strategy this also presents a potential problem. It may reflect a failure to capture information about existing links, or there may not in fact be very many. The baseline survey may help identify which is the case.

5. The same spreadsheet of data can be subject to network analysis.

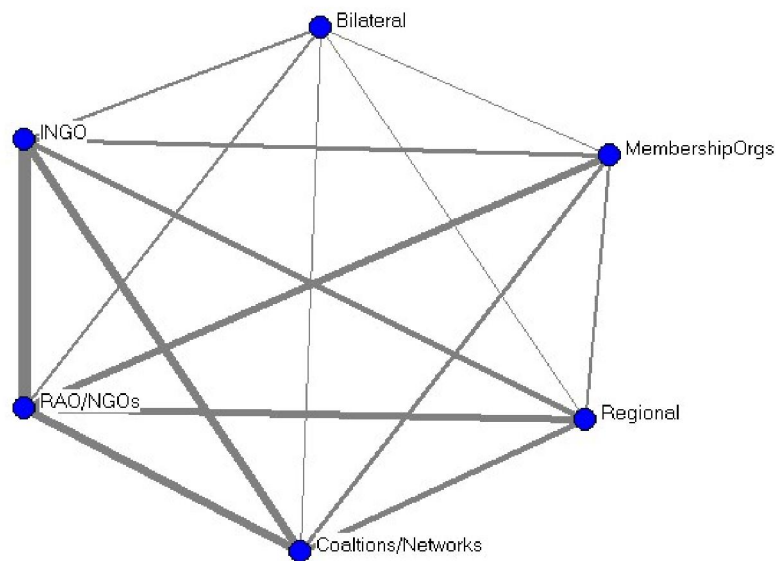
- The diagram below shows the overall network, of RAOs linked to the different types of organisations. Do the three apparent clusters of RAOs make any sense to G-RAP? Do they have anything in common apart from the information that was used to construct this network diagram?



6. The same network can be simplified by focusing in on the strongest connections (those involving the most links with organisations of a given type). The diagram below represents the most connected 50% of the set of RAOs



7. It is also possible to identify what types of organisations RAOs might be connecting, by being in contact with multiple types of organisations. The six most connected types of organisations are shown below. The least connected organisations were Commercial, Religious, Educational, and Government



	RAO/NGO	INGO	Coalitions/Regional	Membersh	Bilateral	Multilatera	GoG	Education: Religious	Commerci: Other	Sum	Count	
ABANTU for Development Ghana.	6	6	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	24	10	
Ghana Center for Democratic Development CDD Ghana	6	8	13	6	4	3	2	2	3	49	10	
Integrated Social Development Centre- ISODEC	7	6	4	2	3	1	1	2	1	27	9	
Centre for Economic Policy Analysis CEPA	1	1		1	1	2	1	1		9	8	
NETWORK FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS IN GHANA NETRIG	4	2	1	1	3	1		1	1	14	8	
West Africa Network for Peacebuilding WANEP	3	3	7	4	1	3	1	1		23	8	
RAVI	4	3	2	1	3		1		1	15	7	
Women in Law and Development in Africa WILDAF Ghana	3	5	2	2	1		1	2		16	7	
The Institute of Economic Affairs IEA	3		7		2	1	1	1	1	16	7	
African Security Dialogue & Research--	5	3	1	1	5	3	1			19	7	
Institute of Statistical, Social and Economic Research IS	3	2	2	2	1	2				12	6	
African Women Lawyers Association AWLA	2	4	3		2	1	1			13	6	
Institute for Democratic Governance IDEG	2	6	3	2	1		1			15	6	
THE ARK FOUNDATION, GHANA--	11	2	4	1	1			1		20	6	
Ghana Trades Union Congress TUC-	1			2	2		1	1		7	5	
Third World Network TWN;	5	5	2	1		2				15	5	
Foundation for Security and Development in Africa FOSD	7	5	3	4			2			21	5	
Sum	73	61	56	33	32	20	13	10	8	7	2	0
Count	17	15	15	15	15	11	11	7	7	5	2	0

## Organisations mentioned by RAOs, in their application forms

A_West_Africa_Action_Agenda_for_the_Prevention_of_Art	WAAAPAC	6
ABANTU_for_Development_Ghana._	ABANTU	2
ActionAid_Ghana	AAG	11
Advocates_for_Gender_Equity_	AGE	2
Africa_Centre_for_Strategic_Studies	ACSS	7
Africa_Governance_Monitoring_and_Advocacy_Program_	AGMAP	6
Africa_Trust_Networks_(ATN)	ATN	6
African_Capacity_Building_Foundation_ACBF;	ACBF	11
African_Conflict_Prevention_Pool_UK_Govt,_	ACPP	7
African_Democracy_Forum_	ADF	6
African_Human_Security_Initiative_	AHSI	6
African_Security_Sector_Network	ASSN	6
African_Women's_Development_Fund_AWDF-_	AWDF	6
Afrobarometer_project	ABP	6
Ahmadiyya_Movement	AM	5
Akina_Mama_wa_Afrika.--	AMWA	11
Anti_Corruption_Coalition_	ACC	3
Associates_for_International_Resources_and_Developmer	AIRD	12
Association_for_the_Advancement_of_Women	ASAWA	4
Association_for_Women's_Rights_in_Development_(AWIC	AWID	4
Association_of_Ghana_Industry	AGI	4
Bawku_East_Womens_Development_Association_(BEWD	BEWDA	4
British_High_Commission_	BHC	7
CARE	CARE	11
Catholic_Relief_Services_CRS_	CRS	11
Center_for_Democratic_Development_(CDD)	CDD	2
Center_for_Democratic_Governance_Burkina_Faso,_	CDG,BF	2
Centre_for_Budget_Advocacy_(CBA)	ISODEC	2
Centre_for_Development_Studies:_University_of_Cape_Cr	CDS_UoC	1
Centre_for_Economic_Policy_Analysis_CEPA	CEPA	2
Centre_for_Indigenous_Knowledge_and_Organisational_D	CIKOD	2
Centre_for_Public_Interest_Law_(CEPIL)	CEPIL	2
Centre_for_Public_Private_Cooperation, Nigeria	CPPC	2
Centre_for_the_Development_of_People_(CEDEP)	CEDEP	2
Child_Rights_Information_Network_UK,_	CRIN	11
Christian_Aid	CA	11
Christian_Council_of_Ghana_	CCG	5
CIDA	CIDA	7
Civil_Society_Forum_CSF.-	CSF	3
Coalition_Against_Mining_in_Forest_Reserves	CAMFR	3
Coalition_on_Democratic_Election_Observers_CODEO_	CODEO	3
Coalition_on_the_Rights_of_the_Child_	CRC	3
Coalition_on_the_Women's_Manifesto_for_Ghana	CWVG	3
Comic_Relief_	CR	11
Commission on Human Rights and Administrative Justice (CHRAJ)	CHRAJ	9
Cordaid	CordAID	11
Country_Indicators_for_Foreign_Policy_Project,_Carlton_U	CIFPP,_CU	1
Danida	Danida	7
Department_for_Peace_&_Conflict_Studies:_University_of	DPCS_UoI	1
Department_of_Immigration	Dol,G	9

Dept_of_Economics: University of Ghana	DE_UoG,C	1
Development_and_Peace_	D&P	3
Development_and_Women_Studies_-_University_of_Ghar	DAWS_Uo	1
DFID	DFID	7
Dutch_Embassy	Dutch Emb	7
Eastern_African_Sub_regional-Initiative_the_Advancement	EASSI	6
Eastern_Mennonite_University,_USA	EMU,USA	1
Economic_Commission_for_Africa_ECA,_	ECA	6
Economic_Community_of_West_African_States_ECOWAS	ECOWAS	6
Economy_of_Ghana_Network.	EGN	3
Electoral_Commission_EC,_	EC,GoG	8
European_Union	EU	8
FAO_	FAO	8
Fellowship_of_Council_of_Churches_in_West_Africa_FEC	FECCIWA	5
FNV_Holland_	FNV,H	11
Ford_Foundation	FordF	11
Forest_Watch_Ghana_(FWG)	FWG	2
Forum_on_Early_Warning_and_Early_Response_(FEWER)	FEWER	6
Foundation_for_Security_and_Development_in_Africa_FO	FOSDA	2
Friedrich_Ebert_Foundation	FEF	11
GAPVOD_	GAPVOD	3
Gender_Study_and_Human_Rights_Documentation_Centr	GSHRDC	2
Ghana_Action_Network_on_Small_Arms_GHANSA_	GHANSA	3
Ghana_Anti-Corruption_Coalition_(GACC)	GACC	3
Ghana_Commercial_Bank_	GCB	12
Ghana_Community_Radio_Network_(GCRN)	GCRN	3
Ghana_Federation_for_the_Disabled_	GFD	4
Ghana_Integrity_Initiative_(GII)	GII	2
Ghana_Journalist_Association	GJA	4
Ghana_Medical_Association_	GMA	4
Ghana_National_Association_of_Teachers	GNAT	4
Ghana_National_Chamber_of_Commerce_and_Industry	GNCC&I	4
Ghana_National_Education_Campaign_Coalition_GNECC,	GNECC	3
Ghana_NGO_Coalition_on_the_Rights_of_the_Child_	GNGOCR	3
Ghana_Trades_Union_Congress_TUC-	GTUC	4
Global_Facilitation_Network_for_Security_Sector_Reform_	GFN_SSR	3
Global_Fund_for_Women	GFW	11
Global_Partnership_for_the_Prevention_of_Armed_Conflic	GPPAC	3
GROUPE_DE_RECHERCHE_ET_D'INFORMATION_SUR	GRIP	11
GTZ	GTZ	7
Hewlett_Foundation--	HP	11
IBIS	IBIS	11
Inspector_General_of_Police's_IGP's_	IGP, GoG	9
Institute_for_Democratic_Electoral_Assistance_(IDEA)	IDEA	11
Institute_for_Democratic_Governance_IDEG	IDEG	2
Institute_for_Policy_Alternatives_IPA_	IPA	2
Institute_for_Security_Studies_ISS,_Pretoria	ISS,SA	11
Institute_of_Democracy_in_South_Africa_IDASA_	IDASA,SA	2
Institute_of_Statistical,_Social_and_Economic_Research_I	ISSER	2
Integrated_Social_Development_Centre-_ISODEC	ISODEC	2

International Confederation of Free Trade Unions - African	ICFTU-AFF	6
International Development Research Centre	IDRC	11
International Action Network on Small Arms	IANSA	3
International Alert	IA	11
International Budget Project IBP	IBP	11
International Center for Research on Women (ICRW)	ICRW	11
International Center for Transitional Justice ICTJ	ICTJ	11
International Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA) Ghana	FIDA	4
International Network for Girls	ING	3
Interpares	Interpares	11
Joan B. KROC Institute for International Peace Studies	JBKIIPS	11
LAWA Alumnae Ghana (LAWA)	LAWA	4
Legal Resources Centre (LRC)	LRC	2
Legon Centre for International Affairs, University of Ghana	LCIA_UoG	1
LO/FTF Council in Denmark	Lo/FTF,D	4
MacArthur Foundation	MAF	11
Market Access Promotion Network MAPRONET	MAPRONE	3
Media Foundation for West Africa (MFWA)	MFWA	6
Michigan State University, USA	MSU,USA	1
Military	GAF,GoG	9
Moral Rearmament	MR	5
Movement for Small Arms Control in West Africa (MALAO)	MALAO	6
Muslim Council	MC	5
National Council on Women and Development (NCWD)	NCWD	9
National Coalition Against Water Privatisation	NCAWP	3
National Coalition on Domestic Violence Legislation	NCDVL	3
National Commission for Civic Education NCCE	NCCE	9
National Domestic Election Observers NADEO	NADEO	3
National Endowment for Democracy	NED	11
National Media Commission NMC	NMC	9
National Multi Sectoral Committee on Child Protection	NMSCCP	3
National Network of Civic Unions (NETCU)	NETCU	3
National Union of Ghana Students (NUGS)	NUGS	4
NETWORK FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS IN GHANA NETRIGHT	NETRIGHT	2
Network of Democracy Research Institutes	NDRI	3
Northern Network for Development The Network	NND	3
Northern Network for Education Development NNED	NNED	3
NOVIB	NOVIB	11
Open Society Initiative of West Africa OSIWA	OSIWA	6
ORCADE*	ORCADE	11
Overseas Development Institute ODI	ODI	11
Oxfam America	OxfamUSA	11
Oxfam UK	OxfamUK	11
Peace and Security Network of the Special Initiative for	P&SNSIA	3
Political Parties	PP,GoG	4
Private Enterprises Foundation	PEF	2
SaferAfrica South Africa	SA,SA	6
SASK Finland	SASK	11
Save the Children -UK	SCF,UK	11
Shaler Adams Foundation	SAF	11

Sisters'_Keepers_Campaign_	SKC	3
SNV_Holland	SNV	11
Social_Enterprise_Development_SEND_Foundation	SEND	2
Social_Watch_Ghana_	SWG	2
Southern_African_Development_Community_SADC-_	SWDC	2
Special_Initiative_for_Africa_Ford_Foundation	FordF	11
SPF_FAST_The_Swiss_Peace_Foundation,_	SPF	11
Stockholm_International_Peace_Research_Institute_(SIPR	SIPR	11
Supreme_Court-Judges_	SC,GoG	9
The_Alliance_for_Reproductive_Health_Rights_ARHRs_	ARHR	3
THE_ARK_FOUNDATION,_GHANA--	ARK	2
The_Ford_Foundation_	FordF	11
The_Institute_of_Economic_Affairs_IEA	IEA	2
The_Netherlands_Institute_of_Multi_party_Democracy	NIMPD	11
The_Secretariat_for_Institutional_Support_for_Economic_F	SISERA	11
The_Structural_Adjustment_Participatory_Review_Initiative	SAPRI	3
Third_World_Network_TWN;_	TWN	2
Transparency_International	TI	11
UNDP	UNDP	8
UNICEF	UNICEF	8
United_Nations_Institute_for_Training_&_Research_UNITA	UNITAR	8
UNOCHA	UNOCHA	8
USAID	USAID	7
Wassa_Association_of_Communities_Affected_by_Mining_	WACAM	3
West_Africa_Action_Network_on_Small_Arms_WAANSA	WAANSA	3
West_Africa_Civil_Society_Forum_WACSOFF.-	WACSOFF	3
West_Africa_Network_for_Peacebuilding_WANEP	WANEP	2
West_Africa_Transitional_Justice_Network,_	WATJN	3
Westminster_Foundation	WF	11
Women_in_Law_and_Development_in_Africa_WiLDAF_GI	WILDAF	2
Women_in_Research_and_Education_in_Ghana_WERG;_	WERG	2
Women_in_the_Broadcasting	WiB	4
Women's_Initiative_for_Self_Empowerment_WISE	WISE	2
Women's_Manifesto_initiative	WMI	3
Women's_March_	WM	3
World_Bank	WB	11

### Categories and their ID numbers

Educational_Institution	1
RAO	2
Coalition / network	3
Membership_organisation	4
Religious	5
Regional_organisation	6
Bilateral_donor	7
Multilateral	8
GoG	9
Quasi_GoG	10
INGO	11
Commercial	12
Other	13