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INVITATION

To:

Subject: Workshop on Empowerment of Ethnic Minority Communities in Development Projects

The participation of and leadership from ethnic minorities in development projects is critical in achieving impacts, sustainability and promoting empowerment of people and communities.

As each community has its own values, customs and cultural practices, understanding, appreciating and utilizing cultural identity and diversity are essential.

Government, local NGOs and INGOs working in Vietnam have acquired many relevant experiences in empowering local communities through their development interventions and projects.

In order to share and discuss such experiences, the Ethnic Minorities Working Group (EMWG) would like to invite you to a 1-day workshop on '**Empowerment of ethnic minority communities in development projects**'.

This workshop aims achieve the following objectives:

- To share and reflect on good practices and learnings of empowerment of ethnic minority communities in NGO and Government projects in Vietnam, in particular the impacts of participation, leadership, cultural diversity, program approaches, partnerships, etc in promoting empowerment of ethnic minorities; and
- To consider how such approaches can be replicated at scale (especially in government programs).

The workshop will be held from 8:30-17:00 on **10th April, 2013** at **Fortuna Hotel**, 6B Lang Ha Street Ba Dinh District, Hanoi, Vietnam. In order to prepare for logistics, please confirm your participation with Ms. Nguyen Thi Hoa, EMWG Coordinator via email address: emwg@ngocentre.org.vn by **7th April, 2013**.

The workshop's agenda is enclosed herewith this invitation.

We look forward to your participation!

Thank you very much,

On behalf of EMWG

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Bert Maerten'.

Bert Maerten,
Chairperson of EMWG



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TENTATIVE AGENDA

Time	Activities/Contents	Persons in charge
8:30-9:00	Registration	EMWG core members
9:00 - 9:15	Opening remarks	EMWG core members
9:15 - 9:35	Pride-based approach	iSEE
9:35 – 9:55	Human rights-based approach: Participation of Ethnic Minorities in EIDHR project	Helvetas
9:55-10:15	CEMA presentation – title: to be confirmed	Mr. Trinh Cong Khanh, Head of Policy Department, CEMA
10:15-10:30	Break time	All participants
10:30-11:30	Group discussion	All participants
11:30-12:00	Result sharing	All participants
12:00-13:30	Lunch time	All participants
13:30-13:50	Visioning approach	CARE International in Vietnam
13:50-14:10	Findings of the evaluation of cultural diversity in Oxfam programs	Oxfam
14:10-14:30	Child-centred approach: The Parenting Program	Plan International in Vietnam
14:30-15:30	Group discussion	All participants
15:30-16:00	Break time and poster visit	All participants
16:00-16:30	Result sharing	All participants
16:30-17:00	Conclusion and closing	EMWG core members