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Consolidation of Democracy and Good Governance in Lesotho (CDGG)

Brief Description

Consolidation of Democracy and Good Governance in Lesotho (CDGG) is a five-year programme jointly funded by the government of Ireland and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) designed to build on the existing multi-donor support whose main purpose is to institutionalise and deepen democracy and good governance through improved electoral processes, effective functioning of parliament and enhanced promotion of human rights.

Specifically, the CDGG will provide support to: (1) harmonization and streamlining of the electoral legislation to ensure that elections add value to democratic governance and political stability; (2) parliamentary reforms to improve the effectiveness of the legislature in its three-pronged mandate of law-making, representation and oversight; and (3) the promotion and protection of human rights in accordance with the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. To achieve its primary goals and objectives, the CDGG has identified, albeit not limited to, the following key institutions as enabling partners: The Independent Electoral Commission (IEC), Parliament, Ministry of Justice, Human Rights and Correctional Services and the Office of Ombudsman.

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