

CROSS-PARTY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on International Development

PURPOSE OF THE GROUP AND PROPOSED DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. Please state the purpose of the Group.
2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.
3. Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.
4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.

1. The purpose of the group is to ensure liaison between MSPs and organisations working in Scotland on international aid and development issues. To further raise awareness in Scotland of these issues and to provide a Scottish forum for discussion, while also promoting stronger links between Scotland and international aid and development agencies. The group will also seek to promote development education in Scotland, to support Scottish organisations working in international aid and development programmes and where appropriate facilitate regular visits to Scotland by representatives of the international humanitarian agencies while engaging with minority residents in Scotland to encourage their involvement in the work of the group.
2. From inequality to extreme poverty, and from climate change to the most serious displacement crisis since records began – the world is facing multiple and complex crises. Amid such a situation what is **Scotland's place in the world and what role can Scotland play in being a responsible global citizen?** The Cross Party Group on International development aims to reflect, inform and discuss this fundamental question. It is in the public interest as the group will provide that vital link between Scottish aid and development agencies and those individuals working in this area with politicians and each other. Also the group will help MSPs better understand complex issues which may be raised with them by constituents.
3. There may be some cross over with the CPG on Malawi, as we may discuss some issues relevant to Malawi, however the CPG on International Development will cover much more development topics and countries than just Malawi. So there is a real need for a standalone CPG to tackle development issues beyond Malawi.

4. The current refugee crisis;
 The implementation in Scotland of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) which seek to end poverty, achieve gender equality and ensure food security by 2030;
 The current reviews both at Holyrood and Westminster into international development;
 The drought in Malawi and the resulting food shortage;
 Forgotten emergencies like Yemen;
 The impact of climate change and role of climate justice

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Please provide names and party designation of all MSP members of the Group.

Lewis Macdonald (Labour)

Kate Forbes (SNP)

Joan McApline (SNP)

Ash Denham (SNP)

Bruce Crawford (SNP)

Patrick Harvie (Scottish Green Party)

Mark Ruskell (Scottish Green Party)

Alexander Stewart (Conservatives)

NON-MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

For organisational members please provide only the name of the organisation, it is not necessary to provide the name(s) of individuals who may represent the organisation at meetings of the Group.

Individuals	<p>Dr Callum Henderson Honorary Consul for Rwanda to Scotland</p> <p>Dr Janey Andrews, International Development Manager, University of Strathclyde</p> <p>Dr Colin Pritchard , Senior Research Fellow in the School of Engineering, The University of Edinburgh</p>
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	<p>Dr. Barbara Bompani, Deputy Director of the Global Development Academy, The University of Edinburgh</p> <p>Hamish Goldie-Scot, Civil Engineer and Planner</p> <p>John M Francis, UNESCO Adviser</p>
Organisations	<p>Oxfam Scotland</p> <p>IDEAS forum</p> <p>Mercycorps</p> <p>EMMS</p> <p>Scotland Malawi Partnership</p> <p>Save the Children Scotland</p> <p>SCIAF</p> <p>Christian Aid Scotland</p> <p>Network of International Development Organisations in Scotland (NIDOS)</p> <p>Tearfund</p> <p>Tropical Agriculture Association (Scotland)</p> <p>Unicef UK in Scotland</p> <p>NHS Education for Scotland</p> <p>International Nepal Fellowship [INF]</p> <p>Action for Southern Africa (ACTSA Scotland)</p> <p>Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO International (Scotland))</p> <p>EMMS International</p> <p>Centre for Global Development at the University of Aberdeen</p> <p>Rwanda Scotland Alliance</p> <p>Scottish Refugee Council</p>
<p>GROUP OFFICE BEARERS</p> <p>Please provide names for all office bearers. The minimum requirement is that two of the office bearers are MSPs and one of these is Convener – beyond this it is a matter for the Group to decide upon the office bearers it wishes to have. It is</p>	

permissible to have more than one individual elected to each office, for example, co-conveners or multiple deputy conveners.

Convener	Lewis Macdonald MSP
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Deputy Convener	Patrick Harvie MSP
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Secretary	Oxfam Scotland
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Treasurer	
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FINANCIAL BENEFITS OR OTHER BENEFITS

Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) the Group anticipates receiving from a single source in a calendar year which has a value, either singly or cumulatively, of more than £500. This includes donations, gifts, hospitality or visits and material assistance such as secretariat support.

Not anticipating any financial benefit of more than £500.

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

Please provide details of the amount to be charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

No charge

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

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STATEMENT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT

I declare that the Cross-Party Group on International Development is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.

Signed	
Date	