



## Civil Society Organisations

In many countries, a weak link in the health research system is between population needs and the research and policy-making processes. COHRED works with civil society organisations and community groups to find ways to bring real population needs into the research and policy processes. If you are a civil society organisation (CSO), we can:

- Provide input to your work from the perspective of research for health and innovation.
- Give examples of how civil society organisations successfully engage in the research for health process in other countries.
- Link you with the emerging community of 'CSOs in research for health'.

## International and Multilateral Organisations

International and multilateral organisations in the health and research fields are primarily responsible for setting norms, standards and working directly with countries, through ministries. As a strategic partner, COHRED can provide your programme with broader reach in countries – for example, with research institutions, civil society, community groups or the media - and can support the practical implementation of international strategies standards or agreements, at country level. Current examples of this work include:

- Facilitating a consultative process with African countries to help them put into action the Global Strategy and Plan of Action on Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property Rights.
- Working with countries as part of the [Yaounde Process](#) to help define national needs for health innovation.
- Producing original research to present scenarios and a framework they countries can use to set national strategies for health, innovation and technology transfer for medicines.