

FUNDRAISING POLICY

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This policy aims to ensure that all fundraising conducted on behalf of the organisation is ethical and in compliance with laws and regulations while maintaining the trust of existing donors and attracting new ones. The policy applies to the organisation's employees, board members, and other representatives of Left International Forum.

1. Background

Left International Forum engages in fundraising to reduce the risk of dependency on a single or a few donors. Fundraising also contributes to building a stable financial base and securing the organisation's long-term sustainability.

2. Left International Forum's Approach to Donations

Left International Forum determines how and for what purposes the collected funds will be used based on knowledge of where they will have the most significant impact. If a donor has specific wishes regarding the use of their donation, the organisation will accommodate them as much as possible. However, the organisation prefers unrestricted donations to facilitate planning and avoid earmarked donations affecting long-term strategies.

Donors can modify or terminate their engagement with Left International Forum at any time.

Left International Forum accepts donations from all individuals and entities with honest intentions who wish to support its mission. This includes individuals, businesses, associations, foundations, and other organisations.

Left International Forum does not engage in fundraising activities targeted at individuals under the age of 18.



Left International Forum raises funds through various methods, including social media campaigns or on the organisation's website, events, legacy donations, private contributions, corporate partnerships, gift certificates, and crowdfunding.

All donations are handled with respect and transparency.

Left International Forum reserves the right to decline a donation. This may be necessary if, for example, the donation was acquired in a manner that conflicts with the organisation's values, the donation's source is associated with moral or ethical concerns, or there is suspicion of irregularities or illegal activities. Left International Forum can also decline a donation if it comes with conditions the organisation cannot fulfil or if the cost of accepting the donation outweighs its value. In cases where a donation is declined, the organisation will always provide an explanation.

If a donation cannot be used as intended by the donor, the donor will be contacted. If no solution is found, the donation will be returned. Left International Forum may also return a donation if it was given by mistake or if the donor changes their mind, provided this occurs within 30 days of receipt and no formal agreement prevents a refund.

If Left International Forum receives a donation clearly intended for another recipient, the donor will be contacted, and the donation will be returned immediately.

For donations in the form of real estate or movable property, the organisation will assess the possibility of liquidation. This also applies to donations of securities such as stocks and bonds. The general approach is to liquidate such assets to preserve their nominal value. Exceptions can be made if the donation aligns with the core mission of Left International Forum.

Left International Forum strives to maintain low administrative costs to ensure that as much of each donation as possible goes toward its intended purpose.

3. Left International Forum's Approach to Corporate Partnerships

Left International Forum seeks long-term collaborations with the business sector to enable high-quality projects that contribute to its mission. All partnerships must be mutually beneficial.

Corporate collaborations are formalised through written agreements, and both parties are expected to fulfil their obligations. Partnerships should be characterised by mutual dialogue and respect and are evaluated regularly.

Partnerships must be structured to ensure neither party's independence is legally nor ethically compromised. Left International Forum will not engage in partnerships that require it to compromise its independence.



Only companies that align with the Left International Forum's core values are eligible for collaboration. Additionally, companies must:

- Demonstrate social responsibility and leadership within their industry and the communities in which they operate.
- Contribute to positive societal development.
- Have a positive reputation regarding operations and products.
- Be engaged in development-related issues.
- Show responsibility and leadership towards their employees.
- Comply with the UN Declaration of Human Rights.
- Follow the International Labour Organization (ILO) conventions regarding child labour, employee health and safety, wages, benefits, working hours, labour conditions, discrimination, and disciplinary measures in the countries where they operate.
- Apply responsible environmental policies.

Left International Forum does not collaborate with companies that:

- Primarily operate in weapons or military industries, alcohol, tobacco, or pornography.
- Are subject to or violate UN sanctions.
- Engage in corrupt or unethical practices.
- Violate international laws and agreements.

4. Ownership and follow-up

This policy is reviewed annually by the board of Left International Forum. The Secretary-General is responsible for ensuring compliance with the policy and related documents, keeping them updated and relevant.

Related documents:

- Privacy Policy