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Introducing the Southern Africa Refugee Organizations Forum (SAROF)

Gqeberha, 24th June 2024 - We are pleased to announce the launch of the **Southern Africa Refugee Organizations Forum (SAROF)**, a regional forum of organizations working together to promote the rights and well-being of refugees, asylum seekers, forcibly displaced community and stateless people in **Southern Africa**.

Mission

SAROF's mission is to amplify the voices of refugees, asylum seekers and forcibly displaced community, promote their protection, and support their integration into host communities. We aim to foster collaboration, coordination, and knowledge-sharing among our member organizations to ensure a comprehensive and effective response to the needs of refugees and asylum seekers in the **Southern Africa region**.

Objectives

- Advocate for the rights and interests of refugees and asylum seekers
- Provide a platform for information-sharing and coordination among member organizations
- > Support capacity-building and skills development for member organizations
- Promote refugee self-reliance and empowerment
- Foster partnerships with governments, UN agencies, and other stakeholders, etc, ...

Membership

SAROF is open to all organizations working with refugees and asylum seekers in Southern Africa, including local and international NGOs, community-based organizations, and refugeeled groups.

Steering Committee

The SAROF Steering Committee Members: The steering committee at country level will be part of the regional leadership of the forum and the composition will be as follow:

- a. Country Chairperson
- b. Country Secretary

SAROF Values: Integrity, Transparency, Accountability, Leadership.



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- c. Country Treasurer
- d. Country Spokesperson
- e. Country Project Coordinator

The Steering Committee will provide strategic guidance and oversight to ensure the effective implementation of SAROF's objectives.

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