

*Questionnaire
for a study by CINGO's Expert Council on NGO Law on "Recent national developments that
actually or potentially undermine the ability of NGOs to operate"*

Deadline for responses to global.litigators@gmail.com with ngo-unit@coe.int in copy:
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1. Please, state the name, field of activities and the country(-ies) of operation of your NGO.
2. Has the funding of your NGO changed in the last two years?

In answering this question, please focus on the following sub-questions: Has your budget decreased or increased? Did you have to look for alternative sources of funding? Has the ability to access foreign or domestic funding been restricted? Did you have to find alternative ways of accessing the funds?

3. Have the expenses of your NGO changed over the last two years?

In answering this question, please focus on the following sub-questions: Have your administrative expenses and disbursements grown? How has the tax burden changed? How have your compliance costs and other mandatory payments evolved? If you can, indicate the percentage points of change

4. Has the operational ability of your NGO changed in the last two years?

In answering this question, please focus on the following sub-questions: Have you had to lay off any staff? Have you been able to employ new staff? Have you had to close down any projects or been able to launch new ones?

5. Are there any recently adopted or pending legislative or regulatory proposals that have or would lead to restrictions of the activities of NGOs or their access to funds?

In answering this question, please focus on the following sub-questions: Have new restrictions been introduced on the types of activities in which NGOs engage (including ones that focus on activities that assist certain groups)? What are the justifications advanced for the new restrictions?

6. Have the criteria for access to public funds or other forms of support been modified in the last two years?

In answering this question, please focus on the following sub-questions: Has the practice of allocating of public funds or other forms of support to NGOs been reviewed and how? In particular, are funds no longer being provided for specific types of activities or for activities assisting specific groups or on new criteria? What were the reasons for the modifications?

7. Have any legal challenges to new restrictions been launched, domestically or internationally? What has been their outcome, if any?