# Isis-WICCE's Report on Advancing the Implementation of the PSCF

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### OBJECTIVE

Project contributes to the women's platform thematic area 1 and 2:

Monitoring and advocacy on the PSC framework and the implementation of regional and national plans of action on UNSCR1325.

# Activities carried out and impact: Thematic area 1

- ► Translation of the PSCF to Swahili and production and dissemination of 400 copies: led to increased awareness of the framework among local women.
- Developed a monitoring tool to enable women track and document the implementation of the PSCF: women are able to document and report security cases for example they reported the activities of an armed group to the National Intelligence Authority.
- ▶ Held 5 workshops to sensitize 120 local women and leaders on the PSCF and demand for the implementation of the PSCF: enabled women to demand accountability from leaders
- ▶ 15 radio programmes aired on women peace and security and women's political participation: reached over 3,700 listeners; received over 2,900 sms which indicates negative attitude towards women in politics.

# Activities and impact

- Conducted a study on SGBV, women peace and security: findings were used for a policy engagement with 15 key actors (government officials, the army, the police and MONUSCO staff): increased evidence gathering skills of local women who were involved in the research. Leaders are more aware of the situation of women, peace and security in the Province.
- The findings were also presented at the Gender Is My Agenda AU pre-summit consultative meeting, to engage the AU Envoy on Women, Peace and Security and other regional actors.
- Trained 22 women leaders on strategies to advance women's participation in politics: they in turn trained 80 women who also serve as agents for peaceful pre-electoral processes.
- Isis-WICCE is a member of the working group on the review of the Uganda NAP
- Learning and exchange visit on UNSCR of Sudan women to Uganda
- Trained 17 young women from Burundi, South Sudan, DRC and Uganda on monitoring and advocacy of UNSCR1325

## Thematic area 2 VAW

- ▶ Ran an anti-SGBV campaign for four months (Feb-May 2017) working with youths: training 25 local musicians and comedians on SGBV; public advocacy event that listened to music composed by the musicians: reached over 2,000 youth who attended the event.
- Conducted a small study on SGBV including a policy analysis and recommendations for different actors to prompt change and reflect the commitments of the PSCF to peace, security and economic progress for all.
- ▶ Work with the ICGLR CSO Forum to monitor and promote the implementation of the SGBV Kampala Declaration (2011). Through raising awareness of civil society organizations in the region.

### Lessons learnt

- Working with other partners strengthened collaboration and enabled us to harness skills and resources
- Knowing what others are doing also helped us to avoid duplication of efforts.
- More need to be done to ensure networking of grantees at national level as well.
- ▶ The project activities helped to amplify women's voices and agency as central peace and security actors whose participation is necessary for the progress being sought by the PSCF.