

West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Sierra Leone started as Coalition of Collaborative Peacebuilding Programme, (CCP) in 1998 when the country was in the process of resolving its own civil conflict that started in 1991. Comprising of agencies like Campaign for Good Governance (CGG), Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Action Aid, Network Movement for Justice and Development (NMJD), ABC-Development, Democracy and Development Associates (DA-DA SL) and Centre for Development and Human Rights (CDHR), it was established to add citizens' voice through civil society to the peace process. With the demand for popular participation with representation from all over the country, it transformed to Network on Collaborative Peacebuilding – Sierra Leone (NCP-SL) in 2002. Being one of the national peacebuilding networks in the region, but with a name distinct from the other national networks, it was encouraged to carry the name WANEP-SL like its counterparts in Ghana, Liberia, Guinea, Nigeria and other countries in the West Africa Sub-region.