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"Welcome Partners"

Connect with Peacebuilding and Conflict Management Organizations

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Summary and Current Status of the Portal

The Peacebuilding Portal is part of the Conflict Management Capacity-Building Project implemented by the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs and funded by the United Nations Development Programme's Regional Bureau of Africa. The main objectives of the Portal are: to fill the need for information dissemination and networking among the peacebuilding community, build their capacity to respond and mitigate conflict, and pro-actively use ICT to strengthen peace-building NGOs' linkages among themselves and with national, regional and international stakeholders. The Peacebuilding Portal provides a practical way to connect with local, national and international organizations dealing with conflict management and peacebuilding; locate specific data on related projects and programmes that are implemented by the NGOs in a country or geographical region; and identify NGOs and experts working on particular themes within conflict management and peacebuilding.

Some of the relevant themes include:

- Peacebuilding/Conflict Management/Post Conflict
- Gender issues
- Disarmament
- Education
- Human/Minority/Ethnic Rights
- Refugees/IDPs
- Children/Youth
- Environment/Land/Development
- Media/Outreach/Advocacy

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How to make this a tool for UN system & the international community

We have focused our attention over the past year on collecting data on NGOs working in conflict prevention, management, resolution, peacebuilding, post-conflict in sub-Saharan Africa in order to assist these NGOs to have a voice for communicating with each other and sharing information at different levels through this on-line database, which will be accessible to the general public via the UN Secretariat's server. The Portal will eventually expand to include other regions of the world.

The objective of this correspondence is to make others aware of the Portal and our willingness to connect with those who have information on NGOs working on the above themes. Please help us gather information. If you can contribute information on NGOs or guidance to lead us to other networks and groups that can help in this effort, please email the Peacebuilding Portal Manager, Catherine Gazzoli, at catherine.gazzoli@undp.org.

In this document you will find:

- Example of the Portal's search, advanced search and NGO profile display functions
- A chart that displays the thematic breakdown for NGOs profiled thus far in the Portal
- A chart that displays the country breakdown for NGOs profiled thus far in the Portal

Thank you

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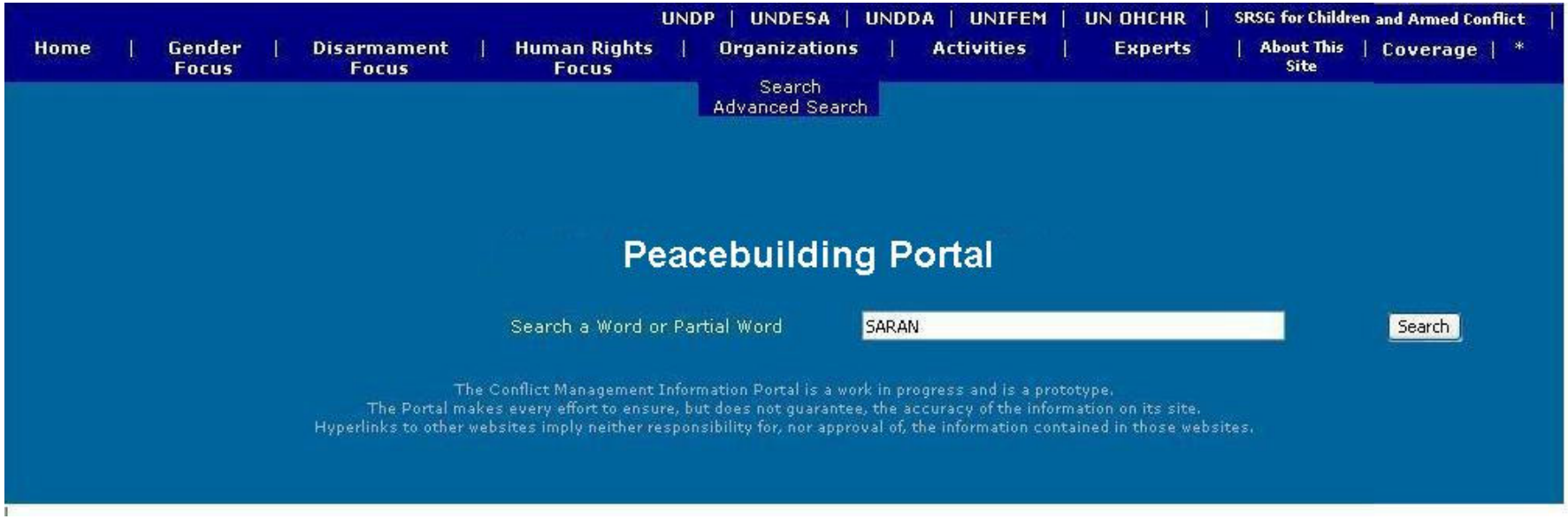
Simple search function example

Please see an example of how to use the simple search. The simple search can find a word or partial word in any of the NGO profiles on the Portal, e.g. for keyword "Saran", who chairs the Mano River Peace Network, the Portal will provide the user with the Mano River Peace Network NGO profile.



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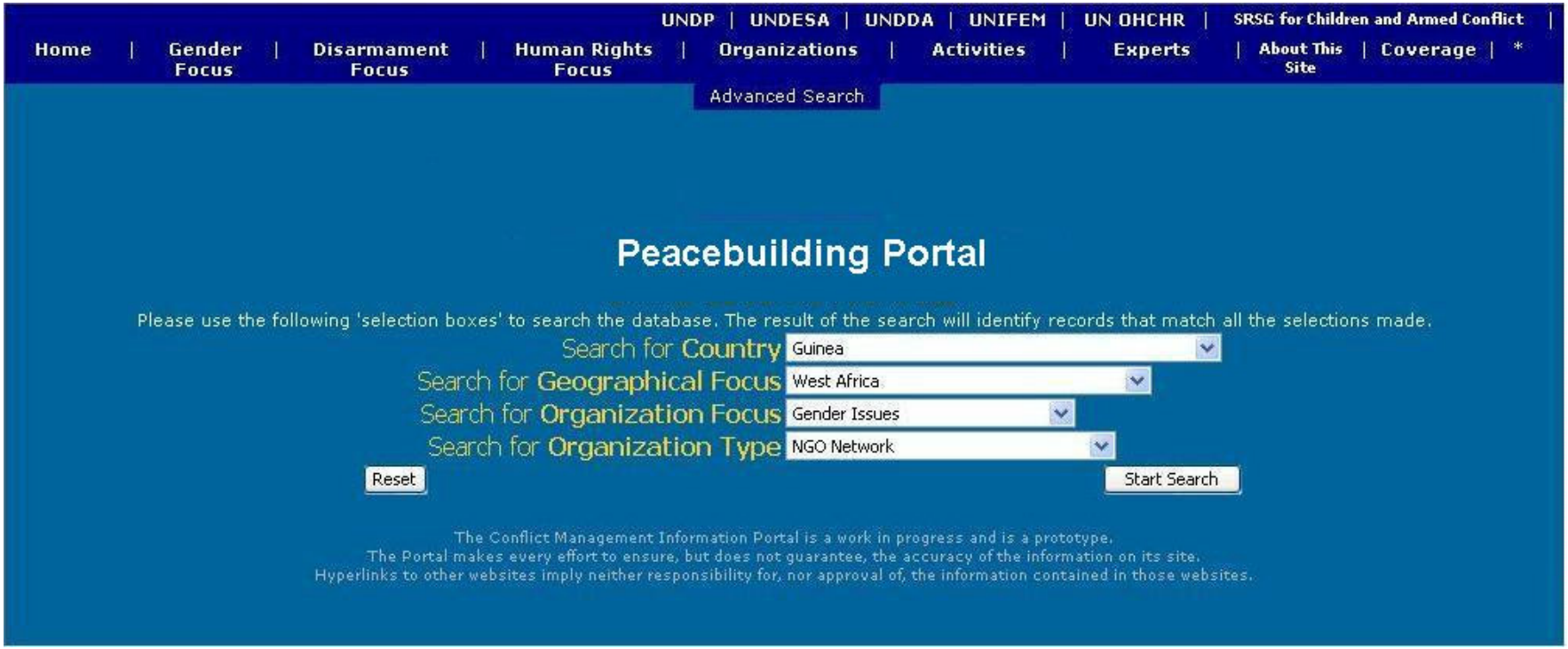
Advanced search function example

The advanced search offers four main selection fields: country, geographical focus, organization focus and organization type. The user can choose to utilize all four selection fields or combine search using two or three of the fields, or choose only one field.



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The NGO profile display matching both the simple and advanced searches.

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ID	2495	Name	Mano River Women Peace Network (MARWOPNET)
Country	Guinea	Organization Type	NGO Network
Organization Focus	Conflict Management	Geographical Focus	West Africa
URL		Contact Name	Ms. Saran Daraba
Address	P.O. Box 1359 Conakry	Phone Number	+224 451867 or 224 422963
Email Address	sdaraba@yahoo.com		
Description	The Mano River Women's Peace Network is a combination of the forces of all the other diverse networks operating in the region to ensure successful implementation of their newly established platform for peace. MARWOPNET has been especially concerned about threats to peace and stability in the Mano River countries of Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone. MARWOPNET has helped bring leaders of the three governments back to negotiations in 2001 and served as a signatory to Liberian peace accords in 2003. Throughout those efforts, the network has struggled to ensure that women's voices are heard. A highly distinguished accomplishment of MARWOPNET has been receiving the United Nations Prize in the Field of Human Rights for 2003. The award, presented on December 10, 2003 by UN General Assembly President H.E. Julian R. Hunte, honored the Chair, Mrs. Saran Daraba Kaba (Guinea), and two Vice-Chairs, Mrs. Theresa Leigh-Sherman (Liberia) and Mrs. Agnes Taylor-Lewis (Sierra Leone).		
Objective	The objectives of MARWOPNET are: to sensitize the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) leaders on the necessity of continued peace efforts in the Mano River sub-region; to sensitize Mano River Heads of States on the importance of including women's voices and concerns in the ongoing peace process in the sub-region; to inform ECOWAS participants of MARWOPNET's work in the Mano River; to inform the international community of MARWOPNET's participation in the ECOWAS Summit; to enforce and strengthen the dialogue between the Mano River countries; and to find further support for MARWOPNET's mission among the ECOWAS states.		
Comments	The background of MARWOPNET is as follows: The women of the Mano River Union met in Abuja at the beginning of May 2000 knowing that the peace in the region was fragile, but hopeful that the cycle of violence had finally come to an end. The meeting was organised by FAS in conjunction with the African Women Committee on Peace and Development (AWCPD) and the West African Women's Association (WAWA) and hosted by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS). It brought together women from Liberia, Sierra Leone and Guinea to share experiences, build consensus and launch a sub-regional peace-building programme. Participants included women leaders and representatives of local non-governmental organisations (NGOs) who perform important tasks in their communities and who have demonstrated potential in the fields of peace, human rights and development.		
Accredited by	ECOSOC	Participated in	Beijing+5
Affiliation	Femmes Africa Solidarite, the African Women Committee on Peace and Development (AWCPD), the West African Women's Association (WAWA)	Reference to GenderData	

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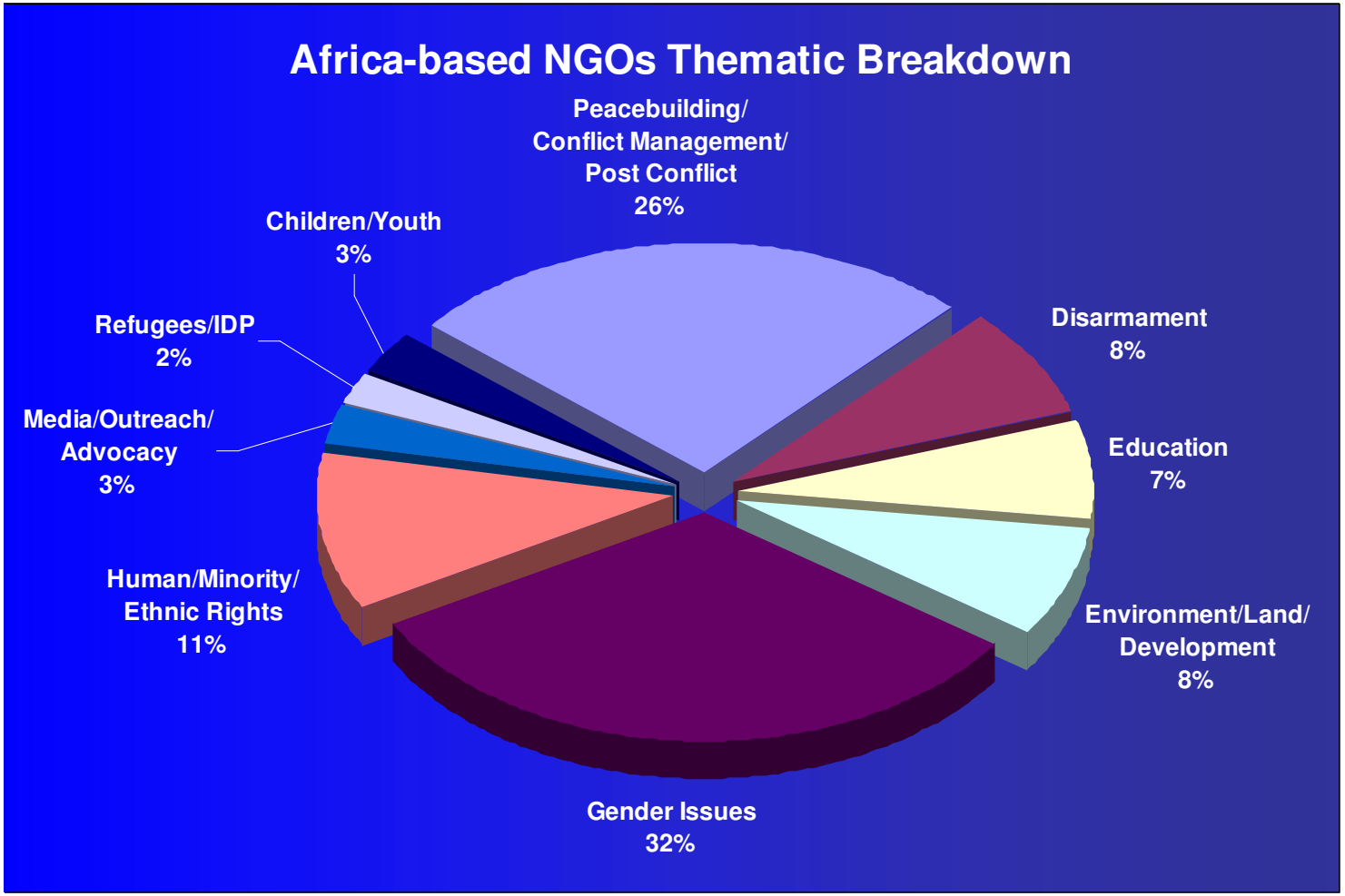

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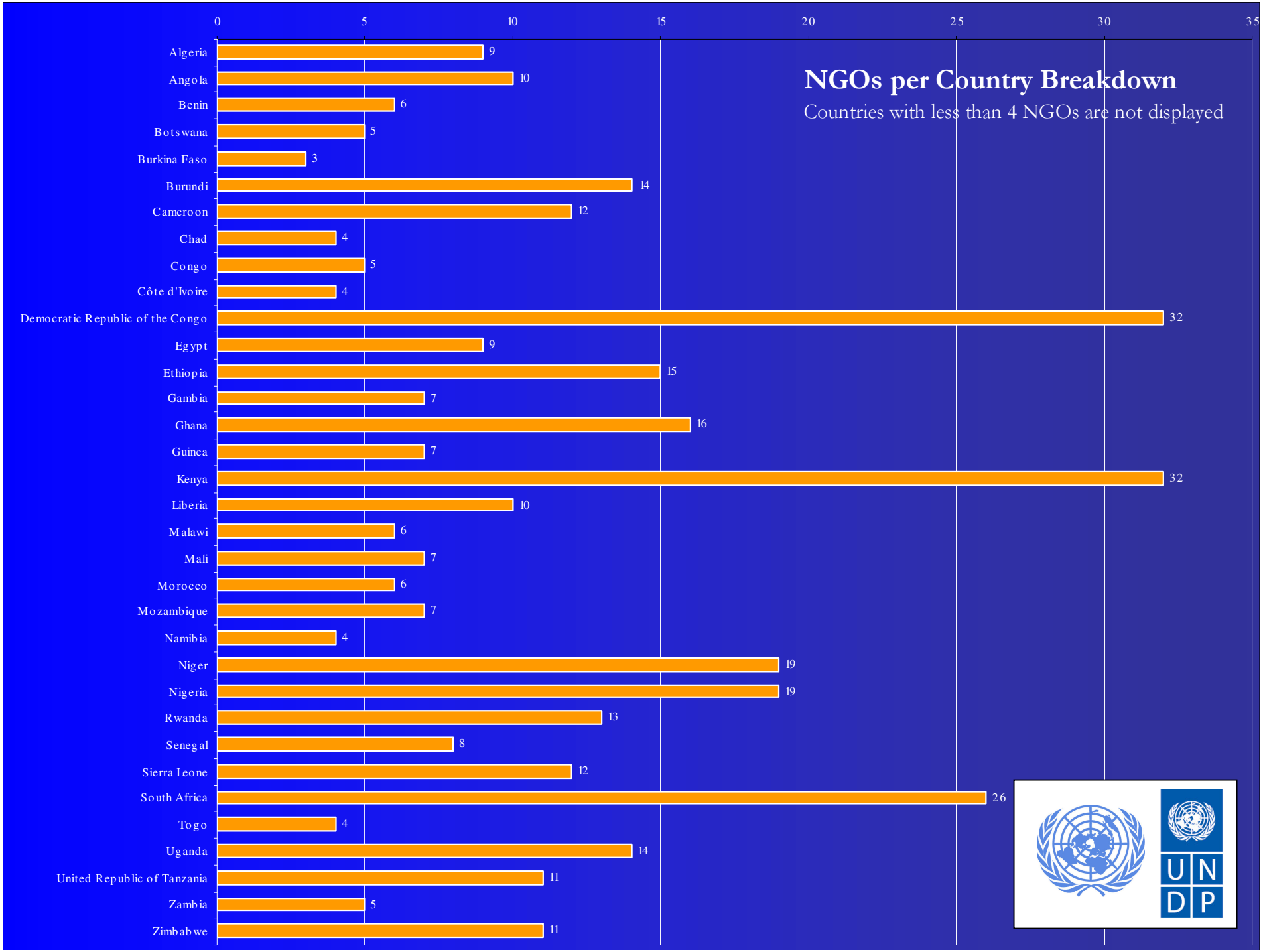
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Burkina Faso 3
Burundi 14
Cameroon 12
Chad 4
Congo 5
Côte d'Ivoire 4
Democratic Republic of the Congo 32
Egypt 9
Ethiopia 15
Gambia 7
Ghana 16
Guinea 7
Kenya 32
Liberia 10
Malawi 6
Mali 7
Morocco 6
Mozambique 7
Namibia 4
Niger 19
Nigeria 19
Rwanda 13
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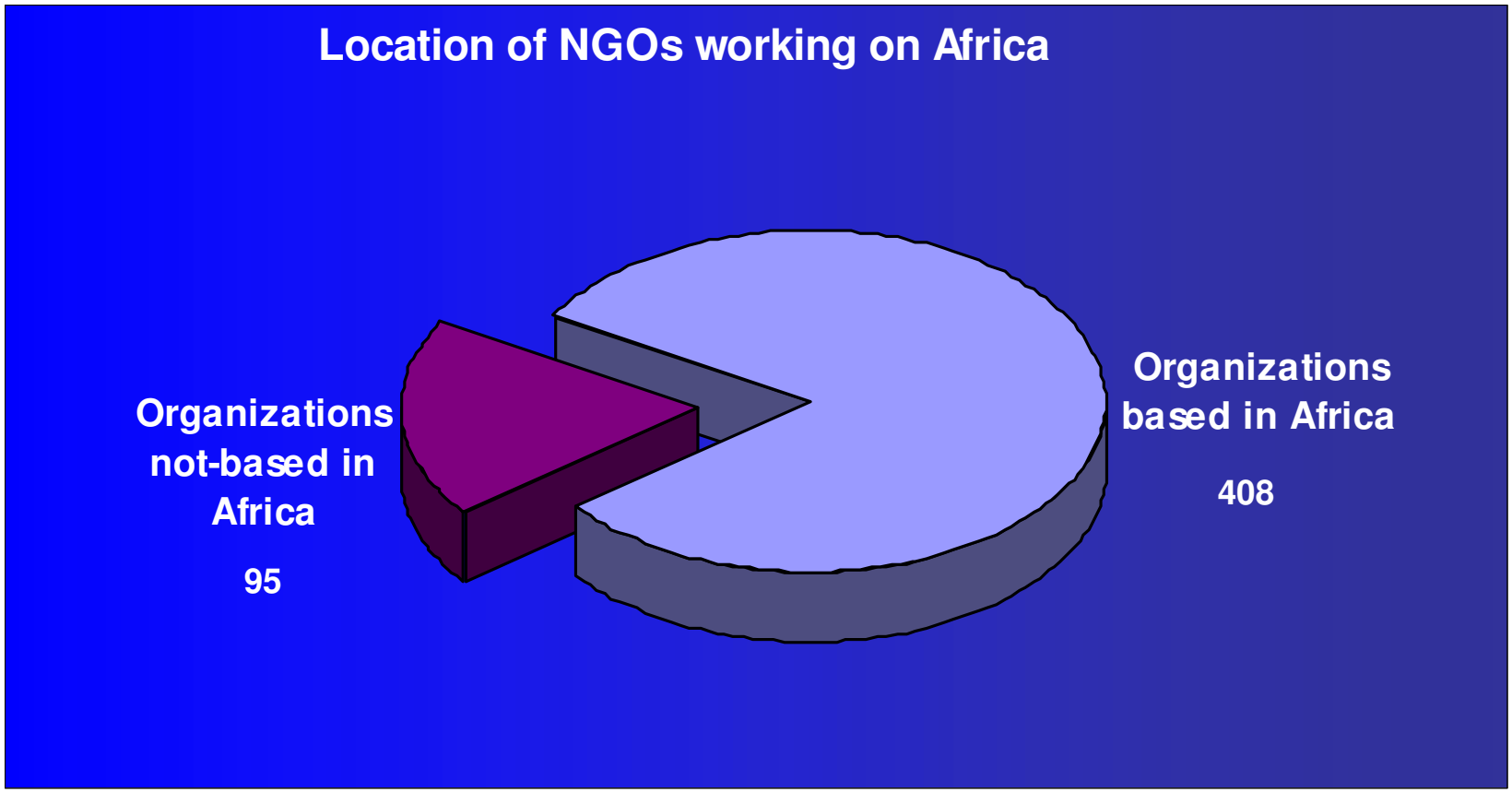

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

- **How is the NGO's thematic focus determined?**

  The criteria to determine the thematic focus of each NGO listed on the Peacebuilding Portal is based on the type of activities in which the NGO is primarily engaged. An NGO can be working on many different themes within conflict management and peacebuilding, but for narrowing the search and to provide the Portal user with a more accurate list of NGOs, we list each NGO under just one thematic focus, the one that best explains what the NGO actually does. The advanced Search function is tailored for the Portal user who would like to search for an NGO according to its main focus. However, if a NGO haves a secondary focus, it can be found if the user runs a Simple Search using the secondary focus as keyword . . .

- **How is the content of the Peacebuilding Portal maintained?**

  We are currently in the phase of the project in which we are collecting, drafting and uploading content. In the near future, when content is uploaded and the Portal is launched, each NGO will have the opportunity to maintain and change its own profile. We are working on a *login* system that will allow NGOs to keep their own information updated. The Peacebuilding Portal team will safeguard the accuracy of the profiles by reviewing each updated profile before it goes back online and is available to the general public.

- **If an NGO is working in more than one country, under which country will it appear?**

  Thus far, NGOs are listed under the country where its headquarters office is based. It is our intention to list each NGO under all countries where it is working, indicating per each appearance if that is the headquarters office listing or a branch. The profile for different branches of the same NGO will be slightly different, in order to reflect the type of activities and contact information of that particular branch.

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