



OPEN CALL FOR PAPERS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

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Under the project ***CSO Watchdog: strengthening transparency, accountability and resilience in The Gambia (STAR)***, funded by the European Commission, TANGO, as a co-implementer, will publish a peer-reviewed journal. The goal of this publication is to address policies by analyzing current development interventions and making recommendations. The objectives of this peer-reviewed journal are:

1. To enhance the capacity of CSOs/NGOs on research and evidence-based reporting to promote transparency and accountability.
2. To establish a functionally effective CSO/NGO platform centered on evidence-based advocacy.
3. To establish a baseline on the progress of the NDP with reference to education, climate change, gender and youth empowerment, and peace-building.

Therefore, development practitioners, scholars, experts, writers, and analysts are all invited to submit an Abstract of not more than **250** words. The Abstract should include a *title, problem statement, purpose* of the article and the *method* to be used in the production of the article.

Accepted authors will first be invited to a conference where they will present their first draft in front of a team of peer-reviewed experts. After they have successfully presented their work and followed through the subsequent steps recommended by the peer-review experts, they will be remunerated and their work will be published in the journal. For this second Edition, we wish to explore *four* thematic areas: Women and youth empowerment, Peacebuilding and security, women in politics. Examples of areas to explore include:

- The irregular migration trend
- The Low participation of women in politics and leadership
- Peace building and security
- Crime and the security sector reform
- Unemployment and urban vulnerabilities
- Gender inequalities, mainstreaming and empowerment

We welcome Abstracts in these areas and other related areas on or before the **22nd July, 4 pm GMT**. All Abstracts should be sent to amie.touray@tango.gm and copied to sarrjainaba@fiohtg.org and ndev.bakurin@tango.gm with the subject title **Journal on Development and Policy**. For any inquiries, kindly send an email to amie.touray@tango.gm or call +220 7071192 +220 3994430.