Programme

The Fellowship is a 10-month tailored learning and development programme for leaders and changemakers working in Global South grassroots and civil society organisations.

CCF will help participants to
- fundraise for their projects and programmes,
- successfully implement and measure the impact of their projects and programmes and
- build and grow a supportive peer-learning and -mentoring community.

Fellows will receive integrated training and facilitated peer group support in three streams:

MENTORING

Participants will develop, practice and apply key mentoring skills, competencies and tools to grow and support their colleagues and partners to grow. Trained and matched in two-way peer to peer mentoring relationships, participants will develop and apply mentoring skills to enhance their leadership potential and tackle key challenges together.

LEADERSHIP

Participants will enhance their ability to 'Lead Beyond Authority', enabling them to engage more effectively with donors and stakeholders. They will also learn the coaching approach to leadership and share personal challenges through peer group coaching.

SKILLS-BUILDING

Practical workshops and tailored technical assistance on proposal writing and project management. Fellows will receive ongoing support and mentorship from the GDF team throughout the Fellowship.

The table below shows the full programme of the fellowship, which runs from 1 November 2023 to 29 August 2024. Fellows are expected to participate in all online events of the fellowship.

A calendar version of this schedule is available for viewing here.

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Please note that all starting times are 13.00 GMT or BST.

Stream	Content	Dates	Total time commitment
ONLINE SESSIONS			
Kick-off	Introductions, cohort-building	Wednesday 1 November 2023	3 hours
Mentoring	Mentoring Training	Thursday 16 November 2023 Thursday 7 December 2023 Thursday 14 December 2023 Thursday 18 January 2024 Thursday 25 January 2024 Thursday 8 February 2024	2.5 hours per session 15 hours total
	Peer-mentor pairing	Thursday 22 February 2024	2.5 hours
	Mentoring check-ins	Thursday 25 April 2024 Thursday 11 July 2024	1.5 hours per session 3 hours total
Leadership	Leading Beyond Authority	Thursday 23 November 2023 Tuesday 5 December 2023 Wednesday 10 January 2024 Thursday 29 February 2024 Thursday 21 March 2024	2 hours per session 10 hours total
	Peer Coaching	Thursday 28 March 2024 Thursday 18 April 2024 Thursday 27 June 2024	1.5 hours per session 4.5 hours total
Skills-building	Skills-building workshops	Thursday 30 November 2023 Thursday 1 February 2024 Thursday 15 February 2024 Thursday 7 March 2024 Thursday 4 April 2024 Thursday 11 April 2024 Thursday 2 May 2024	2 hours per session 14 hours total
	Technical Assistance drop-in clinics	14 sessions in total, taking place every other Tuesday, starting from December 12, 2023 and continuing until August 1, 2024.	1.5 hours per session 21 hours total
	Darwin Initiative proposal writing seminar series	12 sessions in total, taking place every Tuesday, starting from June 4, 2024 and continuing until August 20, 2024.	1.5 hours per session 18 hours total
Graduation	Graduation	Thursday 29 August 2024	2 hours
TOTAL ONLINE TIME COMMITMENT			**93 hours**
IN-PERSON SESSIONS			
	Community Exchange	12-14 May 2024	3 days + 1 travel day
	ISE Congress 18	15-19 May 2024	5 days + 1 travel day
TOTAL IN-PERSON TIME COMMITMENT			**10 DAYS**