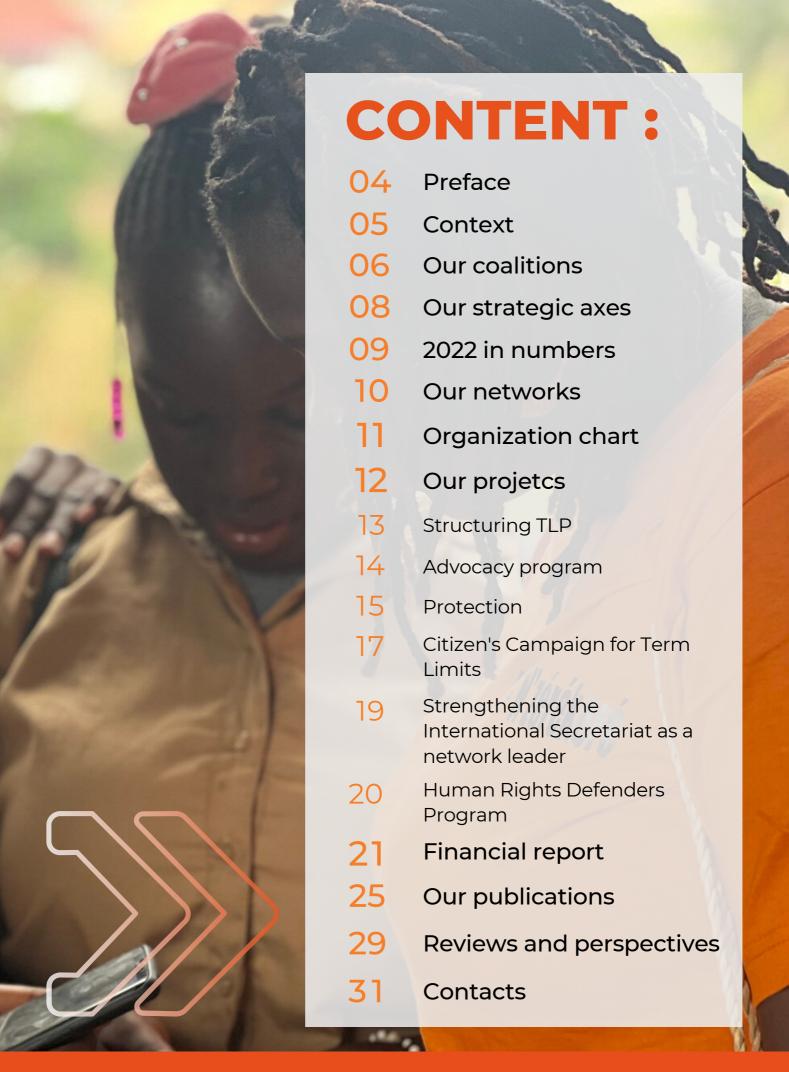


2022

# ANNUAL REPORT







# PREFACE:



Marc Ona Essangui Président

The year 2022 was a challenging one for Tournons La Page. In a context of severely shrinking civic space, accentuated by health emergency laws to combat Covid-19, TLP continued its empowerment process and further developed its activities of citizens' control of public action and documentation of violations.

In 2022, the members of our organization have faced the rise of populism in their immediate environment to the point where our message is sometimes confused with that of more radical currents whose main demands are addressed to external actors when it is first necessary and our duty to address our own leaders.

The Citizens' Campaign for Term Limits launched during the year aims to respond to the numerous constitutional coups observed in recent years, notably in Togo, Côte d'Ivoire and Chad, which keep despots in power against the will of the people. This situation is all the more dangerous because it sometimes leads, as in Guinea, to military coups, with the leaders drawing their legitimacy from the disappointment of regimes that have emerged from often fraudulent or contested elections. These coups, whether constitutional or military, are a real obstacle in our fight for democracy.

At the level of internal governance, our organization has acquired legal tools accepted by all in order to break with the approximate management of our bodies. The adhesion of new members both in Europe and in Africa, without forgetting the arrival of new donors, are irrefutable proof of the credibility and the interest aroused by the themes developed within our coalitions.

After 7 years of essential support from Secours Catholique,-Caritas France, a permanent team at the level of the International Secretariat has been set up and the organization is now independent. At the same time, our media presence has grown, making our messages more audible and positioning TLP as a reference organization on civic space and democracy in Africa.

I come to the end of my mandate with a sense of satisfaction even if much remains to be done to increase TLP's influence and to strengthen the functioning of our coalitions on the ground, notably by ensuring that our movement becomes a model of democracy at the international and local levels.

# **CONTEXT:**



For several decades, authoritarian and repressive regimes have confiscated the political destiny of many African countries and limited the possibilities of democracy on the continent. In 2015, Tournons La Page produced a report that established a clear picture: 87% of Gabonese, 88% of Togolese and 76% of Cameroonians have known only one family/leader in power. Paul Biya celebrated his 40th year in power in Cameroon on November 6, 2022.

In addition to the lack of political alternation in a number of African states, there is an increasingly disturbing trend towards military constitutional coups. This second type of coup reflects the refusal of African leaders to confront term limits or unfavourable electoral results. This, coupled with electoral fiddling, has allowed them to remain in power for decades while squandering state resources. According to an article published in December 2019 in the newspaper Le Monde, since the early 2000s, no less than "eleven African heads of state [have] changed their constitutions to stay in power." To this negative record is added another index, that of the state of democracy in Africa, highlighted in a report published by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) in January 2020.

In West and Central Africa, many leaders are having difficulty moving their regimes toward democracy. Indeed, authoritarian and repressive regimes continue to characterize these two regions: only Côte d'Ivoire (ranked 23rd out of 50 African countries) is considered a "hybrid" regime by the EIU, the other nine countries in which Tournons La Page operates are categorized as "authoritarian" regimes (Gabon is ranked 29th, Togo ranks 31st, Niger 32nd, Guinea 36th, Congo 38th, Cameroon 40th, Burundi 45th, Chad 48th, and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) ranks last in the African ranking).

It is primarily the African people, and among them the poorest citizens, who suffer from this confiscation of power by the African political elites. In parallel to this power grab, there is a generalized restriction of civic space, limiting freedoms of expression, demonstration and privacy, and muzzling any voice of dissent. Civil society organizations, the media and independent press organs are thus the collateral victims of African autocratic systems. This muzzling has resulted in waves of repression: mass arrests, judicial harassment, kidnappings and assassination attempts. For example, on October 20, 2022, 18 months after the coup d'état led in Chad by Mahamat Idriss Déby, son of the former dictator who succeeded him, demonstrations calling for the return of constitutional order and the departure of the military were bloodily repressed, with several hundred people reportedly killed.

Five members of Tournons La Page are still detained for their opinions in Guinea, Gabon, Togo, Burundi and Chad. In this worrying context, Tournons La Page's activities to promote and defend democracy have proven to be more essential than ever.

# **OUR COALITIONS:**

# **TLP-Niger**

Coordinating organization: TLP-Niger

Members: Agir pour Être Niger (AEN), AEDD, ANAMOD, AMAM, Alliance Pour la Paix et la Sécurité, Femmes Actions et Développement (FAD), CADEV-Niger, CRD-Niger, CODDHD, Croisade, Mouvement des Jeunes Républicains, MPCR, Métissage Niger, ROTAB, RED, RNDD-Niger, REPRODEV, SYNCOTAXI, SYNACEB, Démocratie Toujours, TEDHELTE, Notre Cause Commune, MNPD, ANCDDH, Transformons le Niger, Citoyens 227 Connectés, HIYRA, Ligue Nigérienne contre la Corruption, RENAC, Agir pour un environnement et un développement durable and VDDP Tima Dogo.

#### **TLP-Guinea**

Coordinating organization: TLP-Guinea

Members: Ablogui, Balai citoyen, PDH, l'AVIPA, Mouvement FNDC, CANEG, Destin en main, Forces Sociales de Guinée and PCUD.

## **TLP-Ivory Coast**

Coordinating organization: TLP-CI

Members: AFHON, Agir Pour Mon Pays, Alliance pour le changement Panafricain, Alternative citoyenne, l'Association des petits pêcheurs de Côte d'Ivoire, ATTAC-CI, CIDDH, Coalition des Indignés, CODE 91, CNJ, ECV, FEJECK, Initiative Ivoirienne pour la démocratie et le développement, JVE, Ligue Ivoirienne des jeunes leaders, Mouv. CREDO, Mouv. Démocratique de Côte d'ivoire, Mouvement des nouvelles générations Kemites, Mouv. Devoir Citoyen, NOVOX CI, AGELEC, ONG L'ART, La Cité de la Tolérance, ONG SEMI, Vivre Sans Violence, PAOJ-CI, Réseau Ivoirien des Jeunes Évaluateurs, Réseau Action Justice et Paix, RICAD, Sénat des Jeunes CI and l'Union Fédérale des Consommateurs.

## **TLP-Togo**

**Coordinating organization:** Front Citoyen Togo Debout

Members: ALCADES, ASATEPT, Bindjé Gué Bindjé, FCTD, FDP, FTBC, GCD, Rameau de Jessé, MJS, LCT, LTDH, MPT, Mouv. NUBUEKE, SJDS, UST, STT, SYNPHOT and ACDI.

# TLP-Cameroon

Coordinating organization: TLP-Cameroun

Members: ASDHD, AGDED, ADEES, ADEV-Cameroun, AMDN, AJBS, AJDF-Cameroun, ASCODEM, ASPROLFEV, ACDESPE, AAD, AJE, AMA, ADDO, APADER, APC, ASDPEPH, Aura Foundation, CAPDEN, Care Society, CSSP-Adamaoua, COFOURCOOP BOD, CODEPRE, Comité des Femmes de la CSP Est, Denis Miki Foundation, Dynamique Citoyenne, EPDA, ERUDIC, FECASE, FDB, FCJ, GeED, GNOI, Green&Better World, Growing Together, HHA, HUMANUS, Initiatives, IYEC-Cameroun, InterActions, JEDDB, JDR, JEURAC, La Grande Palabre, LCDH, LESDA, MAXITY, MOPAFEJ, OFERA, PIJEDECA, PLIS, RCDM, RENOSGESTRI, RISC, RSFDH, REVD, SHALAND Foundation, SKF, Solein Plus, SOS Jeunes Actifs, SYNAFGREF, UOAD-Cameroun and VUODD.

# TLP-Gabon

Coordinating organization : Réseau Femme Lève-Toi

**Members:** Brainforest, Club90, Dynamique Unitaire, Dynamique Oscaf, Educaf, Réseau Femme Lève-toi (REFLET) and ROLBG.

Caption:



Coalitions created before January 2023



New coalitions starting in January 2023: Benin, Malawi, Mali and Uganda.

## **TLP-Chad**

Coordinating organization: APAD

Members: AFDCPT, APLFT, ASJDH, Ça suffit, CSAPR, CTDDH, Droits de l'homme sans frontières, IYINA, Lyina, PACT, Patriotes de la Diaspora Tchadienne, Trop c'est trop, Union des Syndicats du Tchad, APAD.

# **TLP-Congo**

**Coordinating organization:** Commission Episcopale Justice et Paix

Members: Action Evangélique pour la Paix (AEP), MC Rasle-bol, Association des Victimes du M22, RPDH, Commission Diocésaine J&P, Commission Episcopale Justice et Paix, Mouvement pour la Culture Citoyenne, Fondation NIOSI, la CDHD, Plateforme Congo Maison Commune & RAJLC.

## **TLP-RDC**

Coordinating organization: NDSCI

Members: ASMDE, AFRO (Actions sans frontières), ASFCO (Amis Sans Frontières du Congo), Action pour la promotion sociale de la femme, ANU-RDC, ASADHO, Association des reboiseurs du Bushi et regroupement des écologistes, CEIPDHO, COSIC, CIC, CEDECO, Forum Citoyen, les Héritiers de la Justice, ILVP, Justicia Lubumbashi, Kujigemeya, Karibu Jeunesse Nouvelle, NDSCI, OSP, Plus jamais ça, ProxiMédias Libres, SOS IJM, Solidarity Girls for girls, SFVS, UWAFI, Veranda MUTSANGA

#### TLP-Burundi

Coordinating committee: FORSC/FOCODE/APRODH Members: Association des Amis de la Nature, APRODH, AJCPI, COSOME, CAVIB, CREDEJ, FOCODE, FORSC, Ligue ITEKA, MFFPS, RCP, Network of Burundian journalists for the ICC.

# **TLP-Europe**

Coordinating organization: Agir ensemble pour les droits humains

Members: Agir ensemble pour les droits humains, Survie, le CRID, CCFD-Terre Solidaire, CNCD.11.11.11, Monde selon les femmes, Justice et Paix Belgique, Justice et Paix France, IFSI-ISVI, Terre des Hommes, France Libertés, Mouvement de la Paix, Réseau Foi et Justice, CGT, CFDT, Oxfam, Ritimo, Internet sans frontières, Action Aid France, Avocats sans frontières France.



# **OUR STRATEGIC AXES:**

The last year of the three-year program 2020-2022 allowed us to pursue the vision of Tournons La Page, namely to form a broad citizen alliance and to carry out joint mobilizations in order to build and sustain the conditions for a true democracy on the African continent. It also aimed to meet the main objective of the three-year program, that is to say, to contribute to the improvement of democratic processes in Africa and Europe by strengthening the capacity for action of civil societies. To achieve this goal, the movement has set four strategic priorities that structure its action plan until 2022.



The first pillar reflects the awakening of the population's consciousness in order to appropriate democratic principles. The members are also trained in the animation of community groups in order to create a territorial network in each coalition of Tournons La Page.



# Advocacy and communication

This component plans to build advocacy that strengthens counter-powers while conducting strategic multi-level processes. To fully realize this objective, TLP prioritizes and facilitating operational and secure communication platforms and/or tools. This has allowed TLP to master the documentation of human rights violations and to form a real expertise on democracy.



# **Building capacity**

Tournons La Page is committed to strengthening its governance and the capacities of its members. This consists in consolidating TLP's governance bodies, sharing knowledge and enhancing skills within the movement.



# Protection of the members

The protection of members is an essential component that aims to strengthen their physical, digital and / or emotional protection by providing training for this purpose and by capitalizing on the achievements in terms of protection.

The year 2023 symbolizes the adoption and implementation of a new three-year program that will end in 2025. In this respect, the fields of action presented above will evolve. In fact, four strategic priorities have been identified as a result of an evaluation of the previous three-year plan and the operations of the International Secretariat. Among them, TLP aspires to become a true school of democracy, notably by developing an internal and external training offer. This will allow us to cross-fertilize and valorize activists' knowledge, to reinforce the capacities of our members, in order to develop TLP's expertise in democratic processes in Africa.

# 2022 IN NUMBERS:



11

## COALITIONS

Burundi, Cameroun, Congo, Ivory Coast, Europe, Gabon, Guinea, Niger, Democratic Republic of Congo, Chad and Togo

241

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS



**25** 

MEMBERS IN
DANGER
ASSISTED BY
OUR EMERGENCY
FUND



20

RADIO BROADCASTS

136

# PRESS ARTICLES

Mentioning "Tournons La Page " or the " Citizens' Campaign for Term Limits" in the international press

20

JOINT PRESS RELEASES AND

3

## **TRIBUNES**

drafted and/or signed with other organizations and/or personalities

ADVOCACY REPORTS



23 163

FOLLOWERS ON SOCIAL NETWORKS



**592.3** 

THOUSANDS OF EUROS OF BUDGET

# **OUR NETWORK:**



Since its creation in 1976, CRID has taken a critical look at globalization and development. A staunch defender of human rights around the world, CRID defends a different vision of globalization and development, which is too often supplanted by the economic interests of states and multinationals. With a network of nearly 50 organizations, CRID conducts numerous campaigns to challenge public decision-makers and mobilize citizens, based on the advocacy work of its members

# IOI Plateforme IOI Droits de l'Homme

The Human Rights Platform (HRP) is a collective of French NGOs acting internationally for the promotion and defense of human rights. Created in 2017, it now has 26 members and allows them to increase their visibility, representation, linking and mutual reinforcement. Tournons La Page is part of its Steering Committee since the General Assembly of June 2022.



CIVICUS is a global alliance of civil society organizations and activists committed to strengthening citizen action and civil society around the world. Established in 1993, CIVICUS is an alliance with over 9,000 members in more than 175 countries. Its definition of civil society is broad and includes non-governmental organizations, activists, civil society coalitions and networks, social and protest movements, volunteer organizations, advocacy organizations, charities, faith-based groups, labor unions, and philanthropic foundations.

# **Africans Rising**

For Justice, Peace & Dignity

Africans Rising is a pan-African movement of individuals and organizations working for peace, justice and dignity. Africans Rising seeks to play a critical role on the continent by engaging governments, businesses, and global and national NGOs to focus on the challenges that Africans see as critical, including demands for a fair global trading system, concrete actions to combat the effects of climate change.

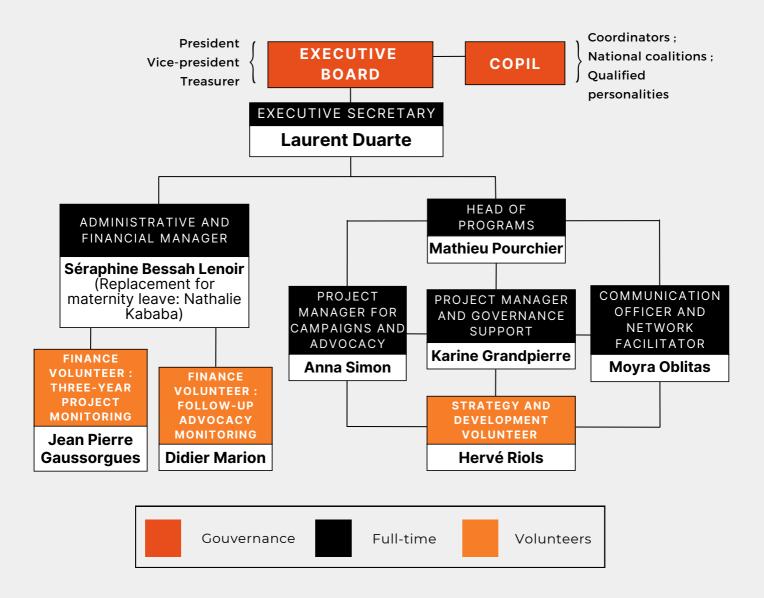


While civil society organizations and movements have effectively documented the global repression of civil liberties, there is an urgent need to increase solidarity among diverse sectors of civil society and to harmonize strategies for reclaiming civic space. The Vuka! coalition was born in response to the growing consensus that civil society must better coordinate its efforts and develop new forms of organization to combat the closing of civic space.



The European Network for Central Africa (EurAc) aims to help the Great Lakes region build a better future. EurAc advocates for a strong, coherent and sustainable commitment from the European Union and its Member States, integrated with a regional approach. EurAc brings together 36 European civil society organizations working in and on the region and supports local civil society in Burundi, the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and Rwanda in the promotion of peace and development, and the defense of human rights.

# **ORGANIZATION CHART:**





# **OUR PROJECTS**





**Period**: 2020-2022 **Budget**: 574 400€.

Funding sources: Secours Catholique-Caritas France, Coordination Sud

The three-year program is a structural project supported mainly by Secours Catholique-Caritas France (SCCF) and has three main focuses:

- Financial and technical support to our member coalitions in Africa;
- Support for the capacity building of the movement and its members;
- Support to the TLP international secretariat as a network leader.

This program was a success with the finalization of the transfer of responsibilities and competences between Secours Catholique-Caritas France (SCCF) and TLP's International Secretariat, henceforth an independent organization. This finalization of the transfer allowed first of all to strengthen the accounting and administrative management of the International Secretariat (improvement of the bookkeeping and consulting services on the model and economic management of the association) and of the coalitions (2 audits in 2022). The year 2022 of the three-year program has allowed for the organization of the International Secretariat in terms of human resources. At the end of 2022, the team was stabilized with 4 employees on permanent contracts, 1 international solidarity volunteer and 1 employee on fixed-term contract. The three-year program has therefore met one of its objectives, which was to strengthen the salaried team of the International Secretariat to be able to strengthen and animate the network of members. The transfer process was also the subject of a capitalization (which began in 2022 and will end in the first quarter of 2023) aimed at drawing lessons from the incubation of TLP by the SCCF for 7 years and writing together a common history of TLP. In Africa, thanks to this program, the coalitions have conducted organizational audits (Chad, Cameroon, Togo and Guinea) and have received support for associative governance (support for the organization of general assemblies in Cameroon and Togo) and for economic management (DRC and Ivory Coast). This program is a foundation for TLP as it allows for the structuring and animation of the network and acts as a lever to develop new projects.



Period: 2021-2023 Budget: 325 000€. Funders : Misereor

This program, which began in January 2021, is funded primarily by our German partner Misereor. It aims to strengthen Tournons La Page's advocacy in Africa and Europe, particularly by producing reports and conducting advocacy missions. In this regard, for the year 2022 alone, three expert reports on rights violations and civic space in Niger, Chad and Togo were published. These reports have helped to fuel our advocacy and to raise awareness in the national and international media. Another focus of this program is to develop the communication of Tournons La Page: production of posters, layout of reports, animation of social networks...

Through this program, the members of Tournons La Page also participate in international events such as the World Social Forum in Mexico City, the Europe Sahel Summit in Madrid or the reception of the Honorary Citizen Award of the city of Lyon for our president.

It is within the framework of this project that we were able to invite a dozen members of the national coalitions to meet institutional actors in Europe. One of the highlights of the year was a workshop with the parliamentary deputy Nadège Abomangoli, Secretary of the Foreign Affairs Commission at the French National Assembly, on the theme "Democracy and Civil Society in Africa".

In addition, the program allowed the <u>structuring</u> of the <u>TLP-Europe</u> coalition through meetings and events, notably the celebration of the 8th anniversary of the movement.





Period: April 1, 2021 - March 31, 2023 (Second phase after

a launch in 2019) **Budget:** 414,913€

Funders: Voice, Protect Defenders

Partner: Agir ensemble pour les droits humains

In consortium with Agir ensemble pour les droits humains, TLP has set up the Protection Program for the benefit of its members. The fight for democracy exposes activists to considerable risks, especially as elections approach. Since its launch in September 2019, 52 TLP members have been arrested in different countries and some have served more than 6 months in prison for their work as human rights defenders.

The protection sought by the program is both preventive (advocacy, communication, training, creation of a protection network) and reactive (material and judicial assistance). Since its launch, 54 requests for assistance have been studied in 11 countries and 104 human rights defenders at risk have been supported with legal and medical assistance, securing of premises or even subsistence aid. In addition to this support, the Protection Program team carries out extensive advocacy with national, regional and international bodies such as the European Union, the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights of the United Nations to ensure that the rights of defenders are respected.

Several documentation reports on the restriction of civic space have been published to denounce violations, particularly in <u>Niger</u>, <u>Togo</u> and <u>Chad</u>. The advocacy on Chad turned into a <u>campaign</u> where several research articles and videos were published commenting on the military transition that led to a bloodbath, and a <u>petition</u> signed by over 13,480 people.

In addition, the program has enabled the creation of pools of lawyers in each coalition who strategically litigate against systematic violations or repressive laws in national and international courts to obtain redress and jurisprudence, preventing these abuses from happening again.



In order to develop women's engagement, a group of women leaders was created at the end of 2021 within Tournons La Page movement as part of this project to develop a reflection on the obstacles that prevent them from taking part in the movement's governance bodies and from playing a de facto key role in the decision-making processes. To this end, a wide range of actions are undertaken to make women's voices heard and to encourage them to be more assertive. A podcast entitled "There is no democracy without women!" was launched at the end of 2022 to discuss the central role that women play in the democratization processes of their countries.







**Period**: July 1st 2022 - June 30th 2023

**Budget:** 106 000€.

Funders: NDI, CRID, CCFD-Terre Solidaire, Voice Partners: African Network of Constitutional Lawyers (ANCL), Africans Rising, Afrikajom Center, Afrique-Europe Interact, CREA, Front

Citoyen-Togo Debout, Synergie Togo.

The <u>Citizens' Campaign for Term Limits</u>, which began in September 2022, consists of launching mobilization activities in several African countries to sensitize African opinions on the issue of democratic transitions, to bring ECOWAS to take measures to ensure that the principle of limiting presidential terms to two in a lifetime is a constraint in each state. It also aims to obtain the commitment of African heads of state who are serving their second term or who have served more than two terms not to stand for another term.

This campaign follows several specific actions carried out by Tournons La Page and its partners, such as the organization of a <u>West African Citizens' Summit on good governance</u>, <u>alternation and democracy</u> in July 2021 in Cotonou, as well as the presentation of the <u>"term limit's stick"</u> - the symbol of the campaign logo - to Presidents Patrice Talon of Benin and Mokgweetsi Masisi of Botswana.

This campaign takes the form of activities and events with civil society, meetings with heads of state, and extensive ongoing communication about the results of these actions. It mobilizes the national coalitions of Tournons La Page but also civil society organizations working on the theme of democratic transitions in Africa, former heads of state who have observed the constitutional limit of two terms, opinion leaders (renowned artists, intellectual and academic circles, journalists, etc.) and influential actors in multilateral cooperation. The goal is to mobilize opinions and bring African organizations to make the necessary reforms to meet the aspirations of African populations and democratic principles.

From the beginning, the campaign has made news and demonstrated its importance: the concert that was supposed to announce its launch in Dakar was banned by the Senegalese authorities, for "risk of disturbing public order". Authorities who know that President Macky Sall is tempted by a third term, despite the limitation imposed by the Senegalese Constitution. Thus, about forty press articles have publicized this ban. Since then, several activities have consisted of highlighting democratic alternation in each country: the launch of a <u>song</u> for term limits, a <u>report</u> on civic space and violations committed since 2017 in Togo, against the backdrop of President Faure Gnassingbé's 5th term in office, or the <u>assessment</u> of Cameroonian President Paul Biya's 40 years in power.

A study on ECOWAS is also being prepared by one of our partners. The conclusions and recommendations will be presented at the summit on term limits that should be held in late summer 2023.





Period: March 2022 - March 2023

**Budget** : 59 430€

Funders: Fondation de France, Secours Catholique-Caritas France

In the last 8 years, Tournons La Page has grown from an international campaign supported by the Secours Catholique-Caritas France to an independent movement with elected bodies. In order to deepen governance, communication and information sharing within its network, a project to strengthen TLP's international secretariat was set up.

This project was structured around the implementation of the following actions:

- The logistical and strategic organization of the January 2023 General Assembly of Tournons La Page, in Cotonou (Benin). This meeting has allowed us to define a new strategic plan for 2023-2025 and to organize internal elections for governance positions;
- The creation of 4 new coalitions in Benin, Mali, Uganda, Malawi, which have been officially welcomed during the General Assembly of 2023;
- The establishment of a knowledge and best practices sharing system, including the creation of training workshops for communication officers;
- The strengthening of communication with the recruitment of a communication officer;
- The animation of TLP working groups: Communication, Women leaders, Protection;
- The construction of a project to make of TLP a school of democracy.





**Period**: July 2022 - June 2024

Budget: 94 000€.

Financers: Human Rights Platform

Partners: Agir ensemble pour les droits humains, FIACAT,

FIDH, AFCNDH

Within the framework of the Human Rights Platform - to which Tournons La Page has been affiliated for two years and participates in the steering committee - a project financed by the AFD has been initiated with the aim of promoting the work of human rights defenders in nine countries, including 4 countries where TLP has coalitions: Burundi, Côte d'Ivoire, Congo and Togo.

This project, in consortium with four other members of the platform, allows for the strengthening and training of defenders' networks and thus increases their capacity to influence and promote human rights.

Among these networks are targeted by the capacity building, groups of women leaders of the national coalitions TLP-CI and TLP-Togo in order to carry out actions of citizen mobilization.

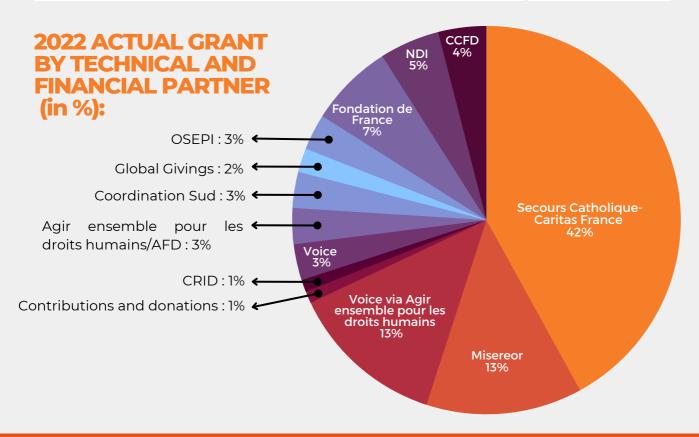
The innovative point of this program lies in the fact that it brings together international networks and their members beyond their respective mandates, cultures and zones of intervention.

# FINANCIAL REPORT



In line with the principle included in their bylaws of independence from institutions and sources of funding, TLP is pursuing and has accelerated the diversification of its technical and financial partners in 2022. Secours Catholique-Caritas France (SCCF), which provided 63% of the movement's resources in 2020, the year of inception of a self-standing organization, now represents only 42% of the resources managed by the organization and 40% if the share of the Protection program managed by Agir ensemble pour les droits humains is included.

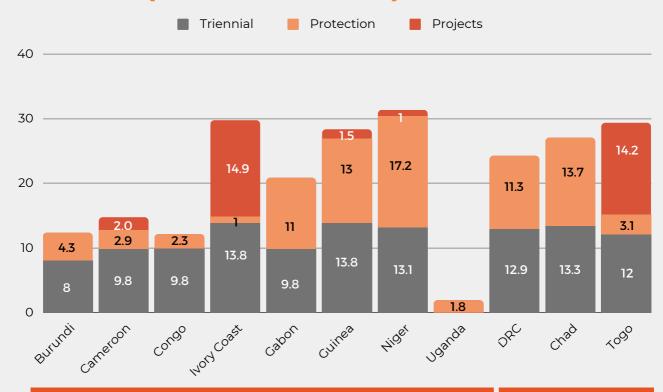
2022 ACTUAL GRANT BY TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL PARTNER (IN THOUSANDS OF EUROS)	592,3 €
Secours Catholique-Caritas France	249 000 €
Misereor	76 000 €
CCFD-Terre Solidaire	23 600 €
OSEPI	15 000 €
Voice via Agir ensemble pour les droits humains	79 800 €
Voice	20 000 €
Agir ensemble pour les droits humains/AFD	15 000 €
Fondation de France	40 000 €
NDI	28 900 €
Coordination Sud	17 900 €
Global Givings	13 600 €
CRID	9 000 €
Contributions and donations	4 500 €



The SCCF remains an essential technical and financial partner by providing direct structural support to national coalitions. Other partners such as Misereor and the Fondation de France provide structural support to the International Secretariat. The International Secretariat team is to be commended for its remarkable work in diversifying the funding and projects carried by TLP in 2022.

The contribution of the national coalitions has been decisive in the diversification of technical and financial partners, either through the cross-cutting projects proposed and carried by certain national coalitions, or through the constant improvement of the procedures implemented and the quality of the narrative and financial reports submitted on the use of the funds entrusted to us.

# ALLOCATION OF 2022 EXPENDITURE BY NATIONAL COALITION (in thousands of euros):

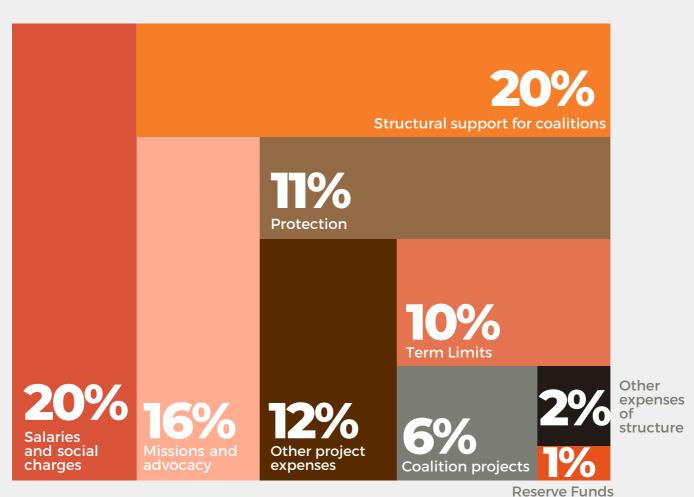


2022 ACTUAL EXPENSES BY PROJECT (IN THOUSANDS OF EUROS)	592,3 €
Structural support for coalitions	116 000 €
Salaries and social charges	121 000 €
Advocacy missions	94 600 €
Protection	79 800 €
Other project expenses	73 000 €
Term limits	57 900 €
Coalition Projects	33 600 €
Other structural costs	12 000 €
Reserve funds	4 500 €

For the year 2022, of the 674 k€ including remittances to coalitions managed by Agir ensemble pour les droits humains under the Protection program :

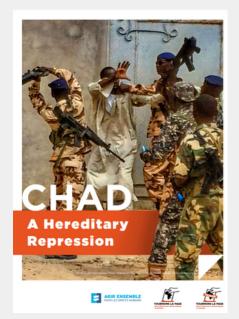
- 234 k€ ie 35% were allocated to national coalitions in Africa to support them structurally, ensure the protection of their members or finance their contribution to cross-cutting projects,
- 133 k€ ie 20% were used to cover the fixed costs of the International Secretariat (HR, office rent, telecommunications...).
- Finally, 307 k€ ie 45% were allocated to the implementation of joint actions (reports, advocacy, events) or field activities whose expenses were directly carried out by the International Secretariat (training workshops, meetings of lawyers or women leaders, activation of the emergency fund...).

# Breakdown of expenses by project (%):



# **OUR PUBLICATIONS**





#### **Chad: A Hereditary Repression (available in English)**

This report is the result of a collaborative effort between Tournons La Page, Agir ensemble pour les droits humains, and Tournons La Page Tchad (TLP-Tchad). Through its members, TLP has collected information, testimonies, statements, and images on human rights violations in the country since the 2021 presidential campaign: in total, at least 20 deaths, 152 injuries, and 849 arrests have been documented between February 6 and October 11, 2021. This work aims to shed light on the course of events and the conditions under which these abuses occurred.

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#### France-Sahel: time to reshuffle the deck

At a time when the withdrawal of French forces from Mali has just been announced, and nine years after the beginning of the French military intervention in the Sahel, a growing number of voices are being raised to note the inadequacy of France's strategies in the region. Following the launch of the Appeal for a Refoundation of France's Sahel Policy in April 2021, CARE France, CCFD-Terre Solidaire, Oxfam France, Secours Catholique-Caritas France and Tournons La Page initiated, in partnership with IRIS, a series of debates with the aim of reflecting on France's Sahel policy. This manifesto is a compilation of the recommendations that resulted from these debates.

## **READ THE MANIFESTO**



# Building a new relationship between France and Africa (available in English)

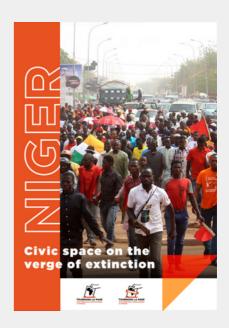
France is at a turning point in its relations with African societies. Turning the page of these asymmetrical relations and weaving new ties with Africa requires a profound rethinking of French foreign policy. A refoundation of relations between France and the African continent necessarily requires a political and military "withdrawal" of Paris, simply by accepting that France is a partner among others and that the history of Africa can also be written without France.

#### **READ THE MEMORANDUM**

# Niger: Civic Space on the Brink of Extinction (available in English)

This report is an analysis of all acts of curtailment of civic space in the country since 2014, the year that marked the beginning of increased repression against civil society. Since then, a monitoring of arrests and orders banning demonstrations as well as a critical analysis of the legal and institutional framework have been carried out by members of TLP-Niger. Between mass arrests of activists, journalists and political opponents, systematic bans on demonstrations and internet blackouts, freedom of expression, demonstration, association and privacy are no longer guaranteed.

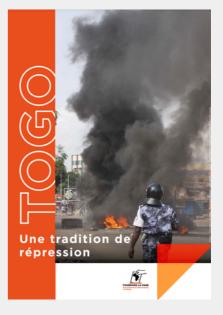




#### Togo: A tradition of repression

Togo, ruled by the same family since 1967, has institutionalized a tradition of repression of civic space; a tradition that, after a slight relaxation in the early 2010s with the decriminalization of press offenses, became the norm again from August 2017 with the popular mobilization for the return to the original 1992 Constitution and the right to vote for the diaspora. Between August 2017 and October 2022, at least 546 people were arrested for their opinions, 18 were killed by the defense and security forces, 10 newspapers were suspended or simply banned from publication for criticizing the government, and 29 demonstrations, 10 of which were held in private places, were banned by the authorities.





#### **Chad: Overview of civic space**

This note compiles and analyzes the laws and liberticide texts that put the Chadian civic space under a bell, among which the decrees prohibiting the rights of demonstration, assembly and association.

## **READ THE NOTE**



On November 6, 2022, Paul Biya celebrated 40 years in power. But what does this mean for the Cameroonian population? 40 years without rights and 40 years of economic stagnation.

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#### **Chad: Prison conditions of torture**

On the occasion of the World Day in Support of Victims of Torture, Agir ensemble pour les droits humains and Tournons La Page document in a video the conditions of detention in prisons in Chad.

## **WATCH THE VIDEO**



# Togo, the only ECOWAS country not to have experienced an alternation of power since 1967

After the death of President Eyadema Gnassingbé on February 5, 2005, his son Faure Gnassingbé took over the country, leading the country into a serious crisis. The result was a heavy crackdown by the armed forces, resulting in the death of between 400 and 500 demonstrators following the April 2005 elections.

## **WATCH THE VIDEO**



CAP (Collective of Panafrican Artists) - Let's limit terms!

**WATCH THE CLIP** 

**WATCH THE CONCERT** 



# Chad and the Inclusive National Dialogue: Toward Democratic Transition?

On August 20, 2022, the Chadian junta launched an inclusive national dialogue in N'Djamena. This process aims to end the instability in the country. What parallels can be drawn with the sovereign national conferences of the 1990s in Central and West Africa?

#### **WATCH THE VIDEO**



### NO DEMOCRACY WITHOUT WOMEN! A podcast by TLP's women leaders

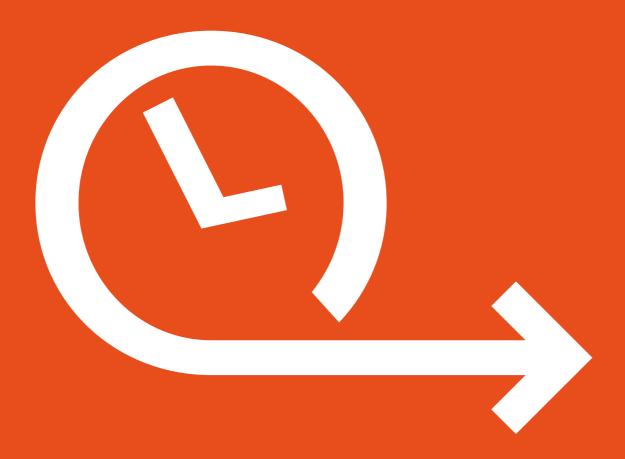
Women make up almost 50% of humanity, but only 25.5% of representatives in national parliaments worldwide. With this podcast, TLP's women leaders want to change the narratives and discourses on women's contribution to democracy.

## **LISTEN TO THE PODCAST**

This clip is part of the Citizen Campaign for Term Limits. The song "Let's Limit Mandates" was composed by 11 African artists: Meiway (Ivory Coast), Amen Jah Cissé (Togo), Elom 20ce (Togo), Didier Awadi (Senegal), Don Stash (Togo), Léman (Benin), Lyne Des Mots (Ivory Coast), Momo Kankua (Togo), Nanda (Gabon), Nourrath La Debboslam (Niger), and Papy Kerro (DR Congo)

You can also watch the launch concert of this campaign in Dakar, which was held without an audience due to the ban by the Senegalese authorities.

# REVIEWS AND PERSPECTIVES



2022 will have been a year of strong growth and improvement in TLP's both impact and influence, internationally and in Africa. Our network is our strength with over 200 organizations in 10 African countries and Europe. New coalitions in Malawi, Uganda, Benin and Mali are expected to begin operations in 2023 and will further strengthen our collective. By opening up new regions (East and Southern Africa), we are beginning to adopt English-French bilingualism in our daily work. This is a great challenge for a movement built solely by French-speaking actors, but it is also a great step forward for a movement that advocates universal democracy, bevond linguistic, cultural or political borders.

The year 2023 will begin with a great moment in our associative life: the International General Assembly.



Bringing together a hundred members and allies over 4 days, the event will be a moment of training, reflection, resourcing and decision. It will allow us to validate our next transversal strategic axes, to renew the governance bodies and to make the democratic ideal live within our organization. The General Assembly will also inaugurate a new strong axis for TLP in the coming years: to become a true school of democracy, capable of training its activists, of valorizing activist knowledge and of building an expertise in direct link with the academic world.



Finally, 2023 will be marked by important elections in Gabon and the DRC where our members will mobilize for a fair, transparent and inclusive election. We will be attentive and active concerning the military transitions in Chad and Guinea where our members are suffering the repression of junta ready to do anything to maintain themselves in power. All over Africa, citizens aspire to collective emancipation, to open regimes capable of building a path to sustainable development. TLP will continue to stand with all peoples and movements on the march towards more democracy and justice, in Africa as elsewhere.

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