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Gender and Development Network Meeting

*Advancing Gender Equality through support
to Women's Rights Organisations and
Movements*

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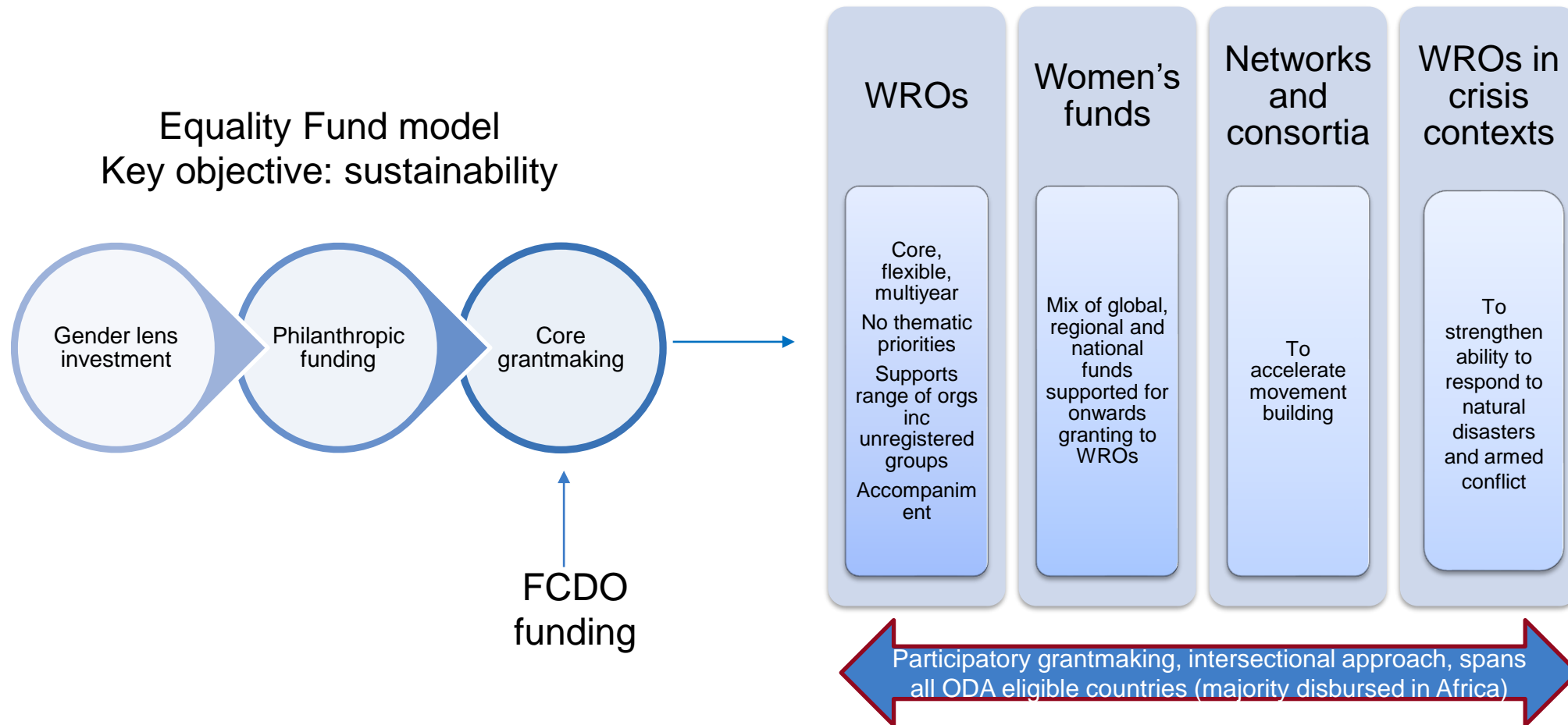
WRO Programme information

- Duration: 6 years (2021-27)
- Three components: £33m Grantmaking; £5m Advocacy and Knowledge
- Geographical scope: all ODA-eligible countries
- Shifting power and resources



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Grantmaking component: funding to strengthen effectiveness and sustainability of WROs (£33m) – *delivered in partnership with Equality Fund*





Advocacy and Knowledge Components (£5m)



- **Advocacy:** Support grassroots women's attendance and meaningful participation in national, regional and international decision-making processes
- **Knowledge:** Support the production and dissemination of policy-relevant products that reflect the priorities and knowledge of women and girls at the grassroots, to inform more inclusive and representative policy development



Further detail – Advocacy component

- Co-create during inception phase in consultation with International Advisory Committee and WROs, identifying key advocacy moments globally, regionally and nationally across development, conflict and humanitarian spectrum
- Tiered approach: flexible, responsive funding and accreditation process for larger events, e.g. significant multilateral event
- Criteria to assess applications to ensure real, strategic need for representation, attendance not tokenistic, etc.
- Funding to attend relevant event and for support to ensure attendees can meaningfully participate, e.g. translation assistance





Further detail – Knowledge component

- Broad focus on gender equality but different themes considered as appropriate, e.g. anti-gender movement, climate
- Independent Advisory Committee cocreate during inception phase based on review of evidence gaps and collective priorities
- Three tier approach: overarching four-year strategy; annual priorities; rapid reviews
- Type of product dependent on best way of sharing information
- Public goods



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Questions