

# What is

## “Civic Commission for Africa (C-CfA)”?

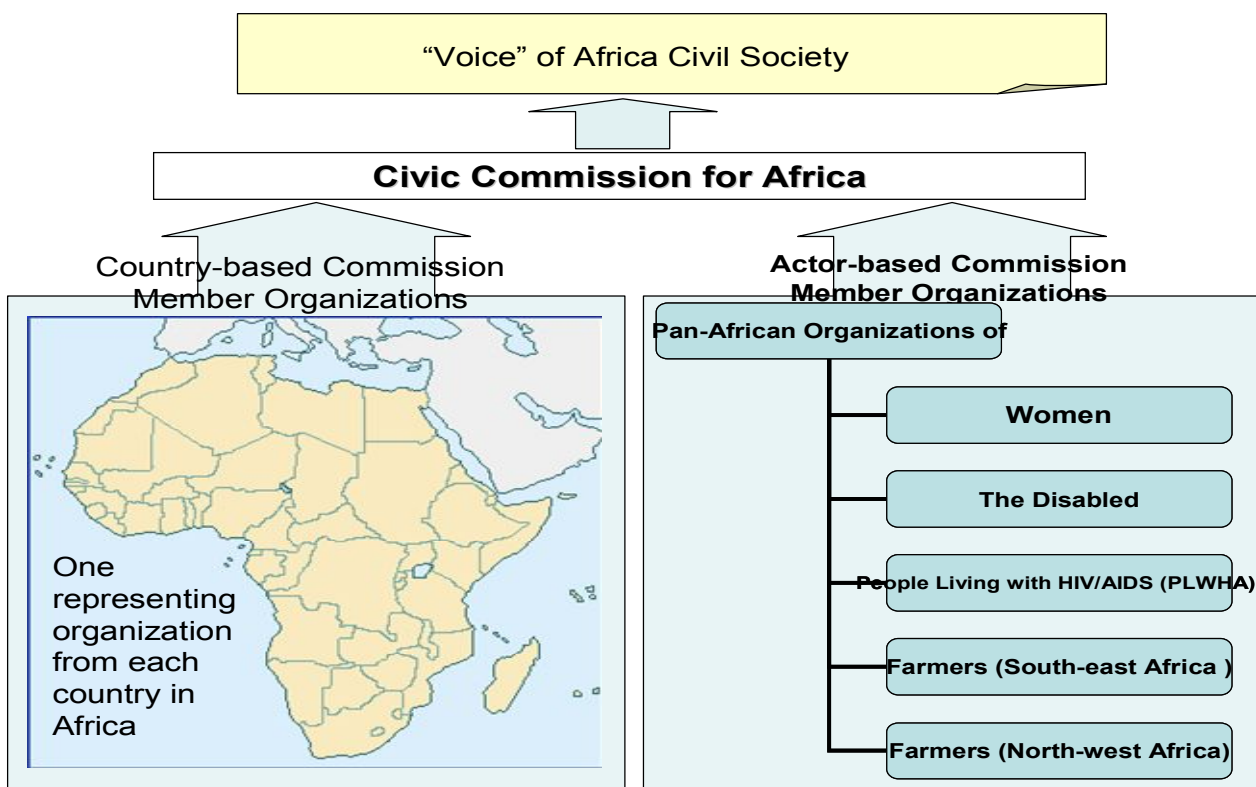
### 1. Background

- ◆ In 2008, the 4<sup>th</sup> TICAD (Tokyo International Conference on African Development) and the G8 Summit will be held in Japan. This gives a great opportunity for those who work in/with Africa to mobilise both international and Japanese attention toward African Issue
- ◆ TCSF (TICAD Civil Society Forum) intends to promote the creation of an “international & Japanese arena for Africa in 2008” as a Japanese NGO that has been working for improving the Japan’s ODA to be “pro-poor and pro-civic”.
- ◆ Putting the African Civil Society in the centre of whole process during the international events related to African or Global agendas is crucial for meaningful discussion for eradicating poverty in Africa.

### 2. Objective

- ◆ “Civic Commission for Africa (C-CfA)” is a tool for bringing the voices of African Civil Society to the international arena to be created in Japan in 2008, in order to facilitate the advocacy efforts of the African Civil Society vis-à-vis the international community for realising “pro-poor, pro-civic centered development”.
- ◆ C-CfA will create “Voice of African Civil Society”, an advocacy paper toward TICADIV and 2008 G8, and send delegates to Japan (July 2007, December 2007 and April/May 2008) for presenting the paper.

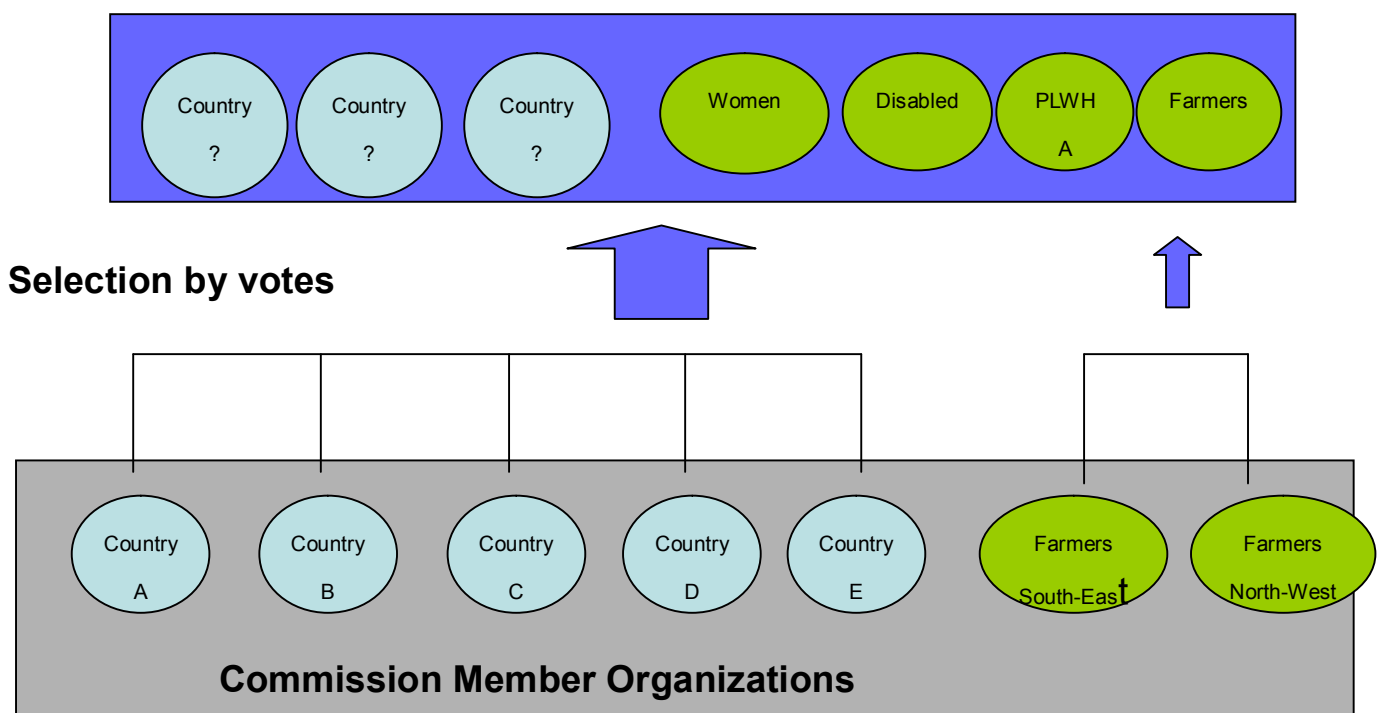
Image 1: Composition of Civic Commission for Africa



### 3. Structure

- ◆ **The Commission** will be composed of:
  - (1) **Country-based** Commission Member Organisations: from 54 African Countries;
  - (2) **Actor-based** Commission Member Organisations: representing women, farmers, PLWHA (people living with HIV/AIDS) and the disabled people.
- ◆ **The Steering Committee** will be composed of 5 Country-based Commission Member Organisations elected by other member organisations and 4 Actor-based Commission Member Organisations.
- ◆ The following images are rough design for “the Commission” and “the Steering Committee”.

#### C-CfA Steering Committee



#### ■ Advisory Board of Civic Commission for Africa C-CfA

It has consisted of:

- Global African Diaspora Coalition

<http://www.globaldiasporaonline.com/>

- CIVICUS

<http://www.civicus.org/new/default.asp?skip2=yes>

- TICAD Civil Society Forum

<http://www.ticad-csf.net>

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