

## PRESS STATEMENT

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### **PROMAD launches project to deepen accountability, participation in governance in Nasarawa**

PROMAD Infotech Foundation, under its social accountability and service delivery initiative [FollowTheProjects](#), proudly announces a new project in Nasarawa State.

The project, [Strengthening Participation, Accountability and Transparency in States Capital Project \(SPATS\)](#) is a landmark initiative that aims to foster civic participation and empower young people with social accountability skills to demand participatory and accountable governance within the state.

The project, supported through the [WYDE Civic Engagement Project](#) by the [Kofi Annan Foundation \(KAF\)](#); [European Partnership for Democracy \(EPD\)](#); [Westminster Foundation for Democracy \(WFD\)](#); the [Oslo Center](#) and funded by the [European Union \(EU\)](#) is designed to improve project and procurement transparency and accountability through strengthening citizens' oversight of subnational institutions implementing public projects in Nigeria with Nasarawa State as a pilot.

"We designed the project to prioritise capacity-building for young people as well as grassroots community stakeholders to perform oversights, report findings and engage to improve the delivery of states' capital projects.

"During the project, a [social accountability fellowship](#) will be held to empower 13 young men and women, including persons with disabilities (PWDs) from the 13 local government areas in Nasarawa State.

"PROMAD will also conduct a human-centred design engagement for the opportunity to learn from the youth, local stakeholders and the government to complement the building of our social accountability platform for FollowTheProjects and the redesign of our [www.grap.org.ng](http://www.grap.org.ng) platform for community needs assessment to influence participatory budgeting in the subnational level," the statement added.

Through these efforts and advocacies with state agencies, PROMAD will create atmosphere that encourages the voices of the citizens to be heard and their needs being addressed by the government.

#### **About PROMAD**

PROMAD Foundation is a non-profit organisation that bridges the gaps between citizens in grassroots communities and the government. By combining evidence-based strategies with civic technology, PROMAD works to strengthen accountability, transparency, and participatory democracy, an approach that ensures the efficient implementation of projects, programs, and policies for sustainable development.

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