

LOCALIZATION TASK FORCE

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Shabake report (2021)

Key findings

Civil society

- Numerous middle or small size LNNGOs with recognised technical expertise and remarkable knowledge of the community needs.
- Barriers for smaller NGOs are more pronounced than for large ones

Knowledge of the Grand Bargain

- Only 13% were familiar with the Grand Bargain, but 48% were familiar with the localisation agenda
- LNNGOs feel that credibility and trust has improved in last 5 years
- Changes not perceived directly as a result of the GB.

Shabake report (2021)

Key findings

	Local/National Actors	Convergence	International organisations
Localisation framework for Lebanon		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Country-based localisation framework led by LNAs only way to ensure progress • Large NGOs can lead smaller ones • Mixed: Importance of including the government. Some mentioned the importance of including the government, or having government lead. Or creating a separate ministry that will handle the humanitarian sector and pilot the localisation agenda. 	
Degree of localisation of hum. system	Not localised		Efforts have been made and localisation is evolving
Coordination architecture	Minimal knowledge and understanding by local actors	is complicated and a challenge	

Introduction to LTF

- The Localisation Task Force (LTF) is formed under the Shabake Project and led by its Coordination Committee (Live Love Lebanon, and Lebanon Humanitarian Development Forum (LHDF)).
- The Shabake Localisation Action Plan 1 was developed based on the recommendations of the study “Localisation of Aid in Lebanon: Mapping of the Aid Ecosystem”
- **Locally led**, with a diversified composition of membership (10 members and 2 observers)
- **The LTF's objectives :**
 - **Providing technical support**
 - **Reviewing and coordinating the localization activities**
 - **Promoting the localisation agenda (events, advocacy, lobbying)**
 - **Developing a comprehensive framework to guide localisation efforts in the context of Lebanon.**

Introduction to LTF

**Localization
Mapping**
2021

**Capacity Strengthening
Chapter**
Q2 and Q3 2022

**Localization
Framework**
Q1 2023



Task Force
Q1 2022

**Partnership
Principles**
Q4 2022

Objectives of the Framework



Inclusion of local/national organizations in development projects

Promote the empowerment and involvement of local/national organizations and communities in the design, implementation, and evaluation of development programs and projects.



Empowering Local/National Actors in Development Decision-Making

Increase the capacity of local/national organizations and communities to lead and manage development efforts, and to take a more active role in decision-making processes.



Empowering Local/National Organizations towards Sustainable Development

Enhance the sustainability and self-sufficiency of local/national organizations and communities, by helping them to build the skills and resources needed to manage their own development efforts.



Promoting Collaborative and Equitable Partnerships in Development

Foster greater collaboration and coordination among international, national, and local actors in the development sector, and promote more equitable partnerships.



Maximizing Impact and Responsiveness in Development Interventions

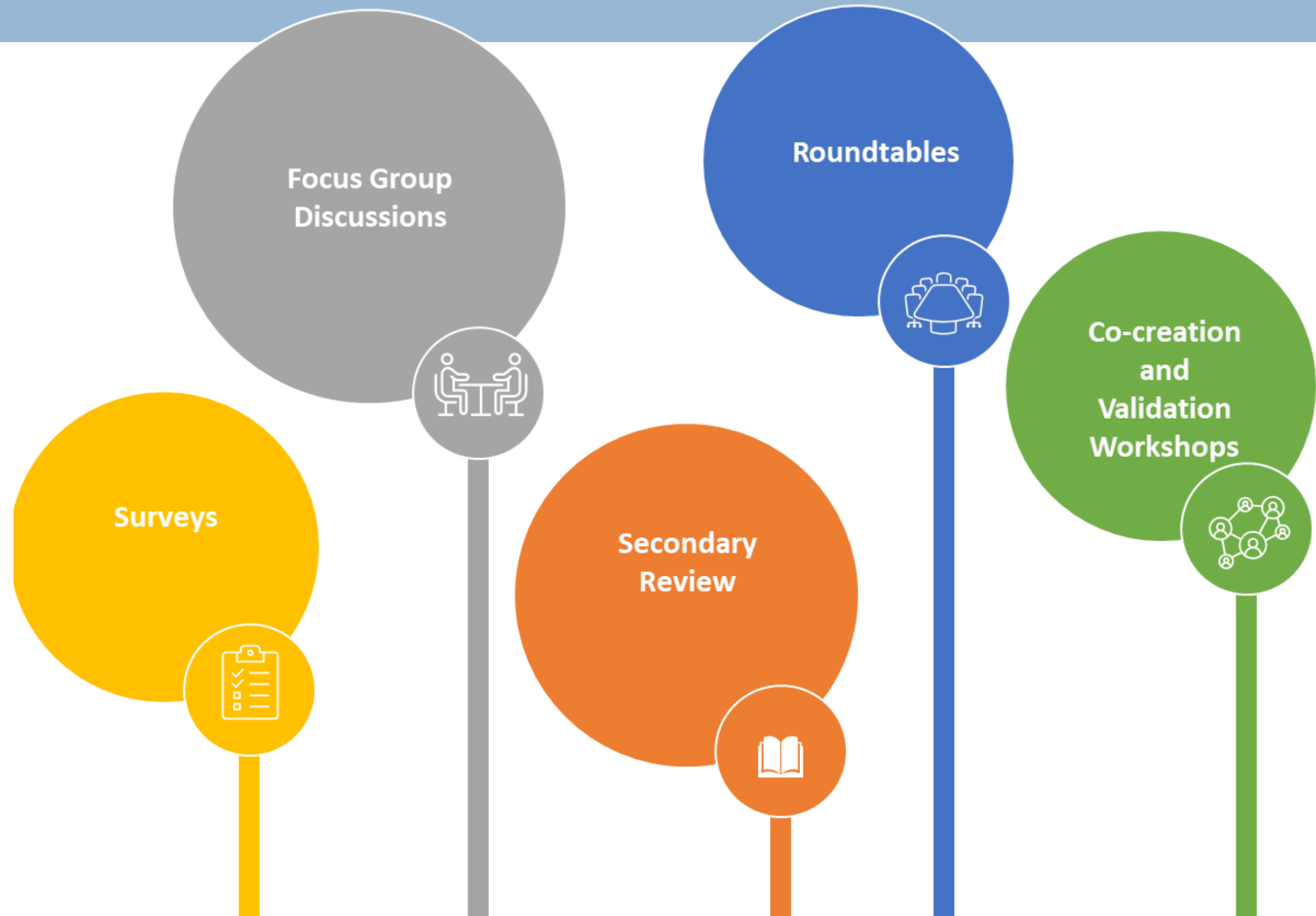
Ensure that development resources are used in a way that is responsive to the needs and priorities of the local context, and that maximizes the impact and effectiveness of development interventions.

Methodology

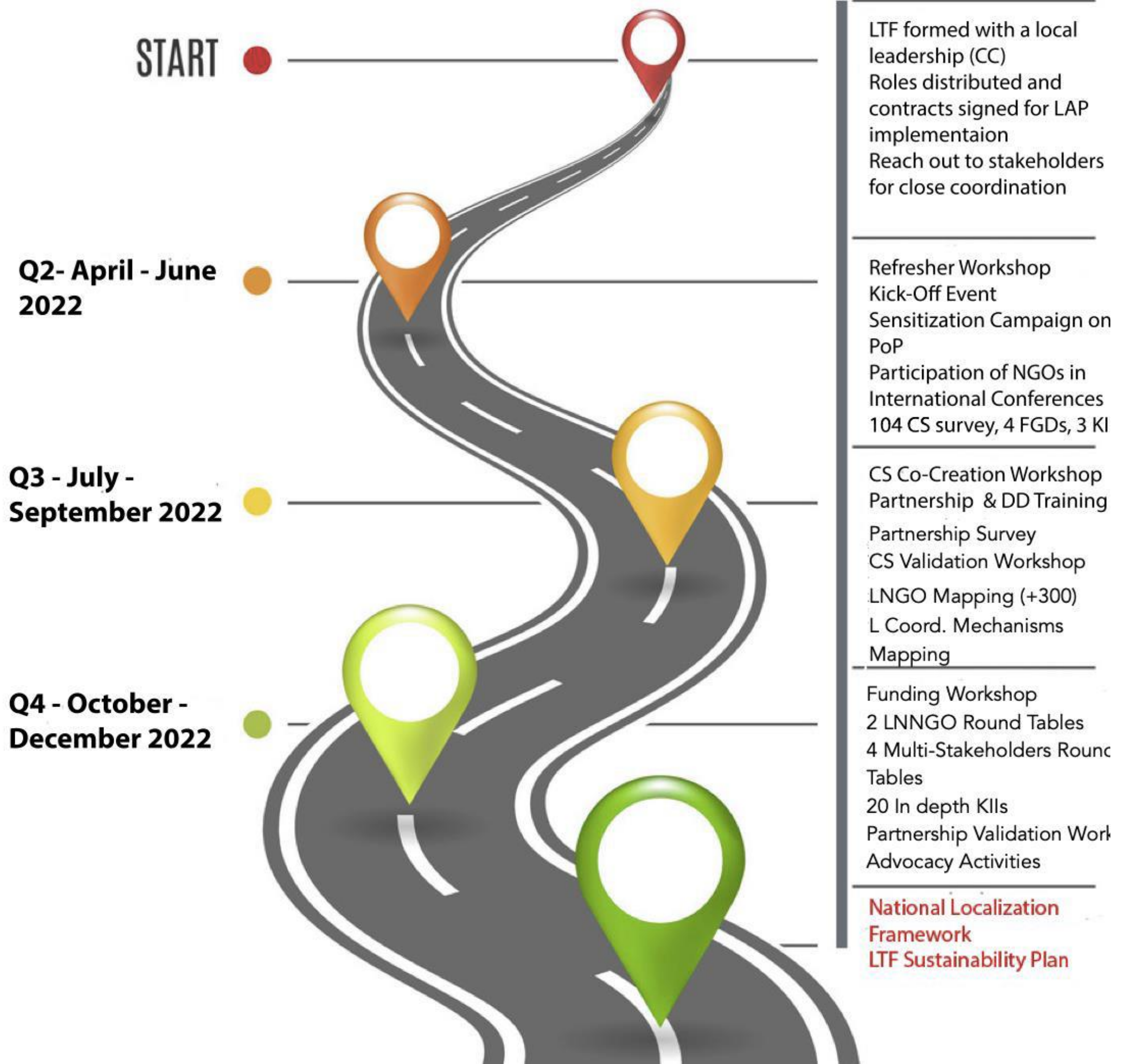
The mapping was:

- Inclusive
- Comprehensive
- Targeted

The mapping listed more than 500 different actors (civil society, donor agencies, academic institutions, private sector, and UN agencies)



Milestones (2022)



The Framework's Components

01 Capacity Strengthening	02 Partnership Principles	03 Fundin g	04 Coordinatio n
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Long-lasting positive change• Increased knowledge• Adoption of policies and SoPs• Improved Compliance• Enhanced organizational sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Equality• Complementarity• Transparency• Results-oriented• Responsibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multi-year• Predictable• Sustainable• Flexible• Accessible• Inclusive• Transparent• Efficient• Relevant• Feasible• Results-based• Locally-led	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mapping of coordination mechanisms• Sub-national coordination• Information sharing• Coordination capacity of local actors

Some of the Framework's Recommendations

Capacity Strengthening	Partnership Principles	Funding	Coordination
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Share feedback on applications in a constructive manner• Implement practices to avoid repetition and redundancy in capacity assessments (harmonisation)• Apply measures to adopt capacity assessments implemented by other organisations (mutual recognition).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Invest financial and in-kind resources in a partnership• Invest staff time and resources in a partnership• Invest political or strategic resources in a partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Make more use of pooled funds that are co-managed at both the strategic and operational level by national and international governmental actors and that follow procedures that enable local/national organisations to participate effectively	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish clear channels of communication and build strong partnerships with local organisations.• Provide capacity strengthening support to local groups, and to foster transparency and accountability in the coordination process

How to Use the Framework

Setting priorities

The framework can be used to identify the most pressing needs and relevant recommendations for localization efforts in Lebanon for each concerned stakeholder, and to ensure that resources are focused on addressing these issues.

Coordinating localization efforts

The framework can be used to coordinate the efforts of different stakeholders, such as civil society organizations and international organizations, to ensure that localization efforts are being delivered effectively and efficiently.

Enhancing Accountability and Transparency

The framework can be used to promote transparency and accountability in the implementation of the localization agenda in Lebanon.

Evaluate

The framework can be used to assess the impact of localization efforts and to identify areas for improvement.

Sustainability Action Plan (2023-2024)

Pillar I– Knowledge and Guidelines Hub

- Developing a repository hub for localization resources, news and updates, as well as an online platform/presence (i.e. website, social media page, etc.)
- Creating an organizational checklist for the components of CS and Partnership.

Pillar II– Advocacy

- Launching formally the Localization Framework, disseminating it with key target audiences, and influencing key stakeholders on the prioritised recommendations

Pillar III –Monitoring & Evaluation

- Developing a Localization Framework Monitoring Tool , including targeted indicators and a baseline

Pillar IV– Connecting with local, regional and global initiatives

- Strengthening linkages with local coordination platforms and bodies

Advocacy Roadmap

Short-term objective

- Key stakeholders are aware of and familiar with the LTF Localization Framework and its main recommendations across the four components
- Key stakeholders represented at the LTF have a common understanding of the LTF Localization Framework and its prioritised recommendations

Medium-term objective

- Key stakeholders commit to implementing the LTF Localisation Framework by adhering to a contextualized Localization charter
- Key stakeholders commit to track year-to-year progress on the implementation of the Localization charter.

Long-term objective

- Key stakeholders measure the implementation of the Localisation Framework based on the M&E Framework.
- Humanitarian and development aid in Lebanon will be increasingly locally-led with the support of key stakeholders represented at the LTF, holding themselves mutually accountable.
- The LTF becomes the leading reference as a space for discussion, consultation, and decision-making around Localisation, in Lebanon and across the region.
- A group of funders, as a priority among LTF members, adopt mutual recognition of their OCA at Lebanon level.

Upcoming Activities

Localisation Framework Launching Event (Multi-stakeholder)

Stakeholder Networking Events

- LNNGOs Event
- INGOs Event
- Municipalities

Donor briefing

How to engage?

- **Representing LHIF at the LTF**
- **Framework launching events (roadshow)**
- **Surveys**
- **Focus Group Discussions**
- **Workshops**
- **Roundtables**
- **Networking events**

Your participation is key to the successful implementation
of the localisation agenda!

THANK YOU!

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