Digital Solutions for Political Finance Reporting & Disclosure

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Role of EMBs

40. What institution(s) receives financial reports from political parties and/or candidates?

Source: International IDEA Political Finance Database
What are Digital solutions for Political finance reporting/disclosure?

1. **Online reporting** of income & expenditure by political parties/candidates.
2. **Online disclosure** of income & expenditure of political parties/candidates.
Political Finance Online Reporting and Disclosure Systems around the world
campaign finance oversight. The CNCCFP’s mandate could be further strengthened with increased sanctioning authority.

7. To enhance the CNCCFP’s oversight capacity and expedite the review process, consideration could be given to the development of an appropriate e-filing and database system.

8. Authorities could consider decriminalizing defamation and revising the Press Law in order to bring it in line with international standards on freedom of expression.

9. Consideration could be given to enhance the transparency of CSA supervision by publicly disclosing the violation committed by a media outlet when issuing a public warning.
UK Electoral Commission: PEF Online

Party/Campaigner User log-in

This site is restricted and confidential. By logging in you are agreeing to the site's usage terms and conditions set out here.

Please note this application will time out after a period of inactivity of 20 minutes. You are advised to save regularly using the "Save" buttons provided.

Enter Login Name

Enter Password

Forgotten password Forgotten user name Help

Register now

The PEF Online system provides a secure environment for the registration of political parties and campaigners at elections and referendums and the submission of their statutory returns.

If you are already registered as a party user and/or campaigner and you would like to start submitting your returns online, please see our guidance on setting started and complete the Nominate System Administrator form.

To register a new party please click the Register now button below.

Register now

Logged in as: Savn1

Current entity: IDEA Party (GB)

Change entity

Home  My account  Political parties

IDEA Party (GB)

View profile

View details

Renew registration

Register party in NI

Register as third party

Register as permitted participant

Register a joint description

View returns

Create return

Maintain donors

Maintain trusts

Maintain suppliers

De-register

Manage users

Register now

Third parties (Non-party campaigners)

Permitted participants (Referendum campaigners)

Regulated donors
Returns

Create returns

Please use the menu below to create.

- donation returns
- regulated transaction (loan) return
- annual statement of accounts
- campaign expenditure return

First, please select the type of return you wish to create. A second drop down menu will appear from which you can select the period to the return refers.

If you are looking for a return you have already completed and submitted, please click here.

Return type: Donations
Reporting period: Q4 2015

Create
Create return (Q4 2015 Quarterly (Donations))

Please use the form below to create your return. You can save the return as you go along and come back to it later should you so wish. To add a donation to the return, please select a "Donation type" using the dropdown box. An "Add donation" button will then appear. As you add donations, this page will show a summary of the donations you have created. Click on the "Reference" to go back into the donation and make changes to it. When you have finished creating the return, please submit it using the link to the right.

Donation type: - All -

Donations

Results per page: 25

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There are currently no donations

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Upload return from XML file  Delete all donations  Print return

This return cannot be submitted until after the end of the reporting period.
Disclosure Principles

- User-friendliness
- Accessibilty
- Searchability
- Comparability
- Downloadability
- Timeliness
- Detail
Comparability

**Largest donors**

Largest donors and contributions by election. Because of the large number of disclosures, it may take several minutes for the reports on municipal elections to be generated.

Select from the dropdown menus to view.

### Type of disclosure: *Election funding disclosure*

### Election: *Parliamentary elections 2015*

### Vaalipiiri: > Select

### Party: > Select

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2016 Presidential Campaign Finance
Candidate Comparison

- Clinton, Hillary Rodham
- Sanders, Bernard

**Cash on Hand**
- Clinton: $822,995,172
- Sanders: $277,119,722

**Receipts**
- Clinton: $876,051,160
- Sanders: $411,179,952

**Disbursements**
- Clinton: $843,055,988
- Sanders: $14,060,230

**Debt**
- Clinton: $647,345
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Timeliness
Added value

• Saves times (both for oversight agencies and parties/candidates)
• Greater data integrity
• Comprehensive records all in one place
• More accurate data
• Aid verification efforts
• Greater public transparency and accountability of online disclosure
Digital Solutions for Political Finance Reporting and Disclosure

A Practical Guide
1. The Planning Stage
Includes conducting a feasibility assessment and how to involve end users in the planning process from the outset.

2. Design and Development of a Digital Reporting System
Focuses on conceptualizing, designing, developing and launching the system.

3. Utilising Data Received
Explains how an electronic system can assist an oversight agency with interpreting and verifying data.

4. Design of a Public Disclosure Website
Covers the recommended elements for a successful and transparent official website detailing political finance data and guides the agency in creating its own.

5. Maintaining and Upgrading a System
Focuses on soliciting and responding to user feedback, making improvements and maintaining security as well incorporating regulatory changes.

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