

Resolution on the preparation of the Madagascar 2023 presidential election

From the Centrist Democrat International (IDC-CDI):

- 1 We firmly support the principle of free and fair elections, which requires conducive technical and legal conditions before, during, and after the elections.
- 2 We take note that electoral disputes were the cause of the serious political crisis and major instability in Madagascar in the past.
- 2.1 The Malagasy Miara-Miainga (MMM) has publicly and officially expressed several observations regarding the conditions in which the 2023 Madagascar presidential election is being prepared:
 - The legal requirements and procedure regarding voters' census are not met
 - The software used by the National independent electoral commission (CENI) for the census is faulty and needs to be improved and validated before further use
 - The equipment used is obsolete
- 3 We call on the CENI to delay the revision of the voters' roll until all conditions are met and to organize wide legal and technical consultations with all stakeholders.
- 4 We call on international partners and donors to remain highly vigilant in order to ensure that their support of the Malagasy electoral process can be a true contribution to democracy, rule of law, and stability in the country.

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