

CSBAG to chair Africa Health Budget Network Steering Committee



Citizens during the launch of the #valueourhealth Campaign that CSBAG implemented in partnership with AHBN alongside the #UGBUDGET16 CSO FY 2016/17 budget advocacy campaign. © |CSBAG, 2016

In September 2016, the [Africa Health Budget Network \(AHBN\)](#) Steering Committee elected the [Civil Society Budget Advocacy Group](#), as chair of the AHBN Steering Committee.

This was during its inaugural meeting which was held in September 2016. The committee which is composed of 6 Civil Society Organizations from across Africa entrusted CSBAG to be the first ever chair of this Committee. The other members of the steering committee include: [SEND-Ghana](#), [International Budget Partnership](#), [Population Action](#)

[International](#) and [Development Initiatives](#),

The Africa Health Budget Network is a group of African and global organisations and individuals already using or wishing to use budget advocacy as a tool to improve health service delivery in Africa. Its goal is to enable African Civil Society Organizations to meaningfully influence policy and public spending on health to improve the lives of women and children.

In reaction to this new development, here is what Julius Mukunda the CSBAG Coordinator had to say:

“I first interacted with the Africa Health Budget Network (AHBN) 2015 and thought yes, that’s exactly what we need – an African voice on the global platform and a platform through which we can translate that agenda for Ugandan citizens and to our colleagues across the continent....I sincerely thank the team who entrusted CSBAG to take the leadership mantle of AHBN....and congratulate my fellow Steering Committee members for accepting to be part of this exciting journey of reinventing and revitalizing AHBN” .

Julius Mukunda, CSBAG Coordinator