



## ANT OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

### Election Review Meetings

Since the electoral process in March and April 2021, ANT turned its attention back to the grassroots. We organized subregional electoral review meetings for Central, Wakiso, Western Region, Kigezi, Eastern, Northern, and West Nile regions, held in different cities.

These review workshops brought together all ANT coordinators and individuals who vied for elective positions. Here, we set precedence in the Ugandan electoral process, where for the first time, a political party went back to the grassroots to listen to citizens, and understand our own performance as a Party. To read about your region, [click here](#).

### Structural Building

Between March and April 2021, the party leadership engaged in **multiple consultation meetings** with our members in Uganda and the diaspora, reflecting on our progress and the core of the party. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your participation and commitment. Since June 2021, we have continued to carry out **district and sub-regional preliminary structural building virtual engagements**.

In August 2021, the Diaspora Chapter with the leadership of the Canada Chapter, created a draft Code of Conduct for the Party. Currently, it is being reviewed at the party leadership level for adoption. Stay on the look out for this.

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## Strategic Planning Meeting

In August and September, we organized a planning retreat that involved active party volunteers at the secretariat and the interim committee members, in order to reflect on the next steps.

Informed by the reflections from the review meeting, I am happy to share with you that we have a

draft Party Strategy and Road-map that will be made available on Party website in the near future.

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### THE ANT POLICY DIALOGUE

26<sup>th</sup> October 2021 | 10am - 12:00 noon



#### MANAGEMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES IN UGANDA: COVID-19 PANDEMIC CHALLENGES.



##### Keynote Speaker

Dr. Ekwaro Obuku  
Medical Doctor and expert on African health systems.



##### Moderator

Hon. Sarah Kiyingi  
Former Woman MP, Rakai and Minister Of State for Internal Affairs



##### Discussant

Hon. Gerald Karuhanga  
Ntugamo Municipality Member of Parliament 2016-2021



##### Discussant

Mr. Abubaker Matanda  
ANT National Youth Coordinator



##### Respondent

Miss Grace Atuhaire  
ANT Diaspora and IR Coordinator



##### Host

Mr. Martin Okumu  
ANT Coordinator Research & Policy



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## Policy Dialogues

In August 2021, we resumed the policy dialogues with the first discussion focused on **Uganda's current Tax regime and its implications on livelihoods**. In addition, the committee adopted the institutionalization of a Think Tank as part of the research department.

Further, on 25th October 2021, the ANT Think Tank hosted a second policy dialogue focusing on the **Management of Health systems in Uganda**. We encourage all members interested in research to reach out to Mr. Okumu, who is our research coordinator at [theallianceug@gmail.com](mailto:theallianceug@gmail.com).

For those based in the diaspora, please contact [alliancediaspora@gmail.com](mailto:alliancediaspora@gmail.com).



## Capacity Building of Our Elected Officials

From the 11-25 October 2021, the ANT Secretariat hosted two trainings under the theme: Offering Values-Based and Accountable Leadership in Local Government.

The first training targeted all ANT lower Local Government elected leaders at Unik Hotel, Namugongo. The trainers included Gen. Mugisha Muntu, Hon. Alice Alaso, Amb. Grace Ssempala, Hon. Winnie Kiiza, Hon. Dr. Miria Matembe, Hon. Sarah Kyama Kiyingi, Hon. Elder Yokasi Bihande, Ms Cecilia Anyakoit, Mr. Hannington Basakana, and Dr. Ocici from Enterprise Uganda.

The second training focused on the ANT upper Local Government elected leaders at Agenda 2000 Hotel Namugongo. The trainers included Gen. Mugisha Muntu, Hon. Alice Alaso, Hon. Yokasi Bihande, Hon. Gerald Karuhanga, Hon. Paul Mwiru, Henry Kassacca, Mr. Samuel Bakutana, and Ms Cecilia Anyakoit from Uganda Women Democracy Network.

Participating districts included Terego, Serere, Zombo, Arua city, Gulu city, Amuria, Ibanda, Bunyangabo, Kamuli, Nwoya, and Kapchorwa.

## Members' Petitions

Regarding Hon. Paul Mwiru and Ismael Kasule petitions, the High Court dismissed the petition with costs. However, the next course of action is an appeal in both cases.

Comrades, the struggle has just started! It is essential to note that a just society will not self create, instead, we must double our efforts to ensure justice in our country.

## Embracing Technology

COVID-19 regulations and lockdown have given the party an opportunity to adapt to the new normal of virtual organizing.

The ANT secretariat, and gradually the subregional offices and districts are also embracing the virtual world. This introduces new challenges and together we continue to address them one at a time.

Our capacity as a party to ensure that all districts and working groups are integrated in the technology needs your input.

We request for donations, where possible, of working computers or phone that our grassroots coordinators can use to more readily execute their

work. Your contributions would be greatly appreciated.



## Membership Platform

I extend an apology for the unresponsiveness of our membership platform. The Secretariat continues to make sure that we have a very responsive membership platform that speaks to our principles and qualities of transparency and accountability.

We now have a team of young people that have worked to set up a new portal. Therefore, we ask all members who paid for the corporate membership to write directly to **seanapowi@gmail.com** to give you individual access. All members on the normal membership should on the App once it has been shared with you all. Thank you for your patience with us as we continue to refine these different functions.

## Special Gratitude to ANT Volunteers

I would like to extend my special gratitude to all the ANT volunteers across the country and in the diaspora. I would also like to thank members who continue to finance us through the monthly subscriptions.

You all are the reason the secretariat has running water, internet, electricity, and a roof over our heads. We are able to achieve what we can because you haven't given up on us; instead, you continue to be part of this race. Thank you.

## Appeal For Financial Contribution

Once again, thank you for your commitment and sacrifice that helps keep the Head Office open.

I continue to request you all to continue to give to the Party. Our work is plentiful and we need the resources to deliver on all the tasks we have.

Our contribution channels remain the same: **0785128179** (Suzan) and **0752487653, 0785 368 727** (Alice Alaso). Reason: ANT

I humbly encourage you all to continue or to start financing for the ANT activities.



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*ANT elected leaders resourceful fireside conversation with Hon. Dr. Miria Matembe on leadership, corruption, sexual*

*harassment, and women empowerment.*

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**Signed,**

Hon. Alice Alaso  
Acg. National Coordinator,  
Alliance for National Transformation.