## CALL TO ACTION on Protection from Gender-based Violence in Emergencies

ABAAD Joins Call to Action Steering Committee

With the new year, ABAAD joined the Call to Action Steering Committee as the co-chair of the Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) Working Group. ABAAD replaces the International Rescue Committee, which served as the cochair and on the Steering Committee for over two years and was an original partner of the Call to Action on Protection from Gender-Based Violence in Emergencies. ABAAD will be the first non-International NGO to hold the position of co-chair and joins CARE International to lead the NGO Working Group. ABAAD will be working hand in hand with Norwegian Church Aid to advance the Call to Action strategy.

"ABAAD is proud to co-chair the NGO Working Group of this important initiative. With ABAAD's technical expertise, we reiterate our commitment to play a catalyst role in achieving the objectives and aspirations of the Call to Action members. We thank our fellow NGOs who put their faith in our ability to help lead the Call to Action through the next two years." said Ghida Anani, ABAAD Founder & Director.

ABAAD joins the Steering Committee at a critical moment for the Call to Action, which is reviewing and revising the Call to Action Road Map, the guiding document for the Call to Action from 2016-2020. The Steering Committee is also comprised of representatives from International Organizations and Donor States.