IFES Elections and Violence Programming
About IFES

IFES is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, nongovernmental organization

Offices in over 34 countries around the world

Partners include primarily EMBs, but also CSOs, Legislatures, and Academia.
Conflict and the Election Cycle

- Conflict Analysis
  - Understand causes of violence
  - Conflict mapping
  - Risk assessment, mapping
  - PETAs
  - EVRA

- Conflict Prevention
  - Legal Framework analysis
  - EVER
  - Civic Education
  - Political Finance
  - Security Planning
  - Training

- Conflict Mitigation and Management
  - Media training

- Conflict Resolution
  - EDR mechanisms
  - EDR stakeholder trainings
  - Multi-stakeholder meetings
  - Mediation

• Media
• Training
Two Unique Tools

Election Violence Education and Resolution (EVER)
- Community-based conflict monitoring and reporting

Election Violence Risk Assessment (EVRA)
- Risk assessment & tracking for EMB’s security planning
EVER methodology

Monitors
Send Reports

Analysis of Data

Stakeholders take Actions to Reduce Violence

Public Report makes Recommendations

Victims of Violence, % of all Victims

Ghana EVER (Oct 04 - Jan 05)

Political party or candidate supporter

53%
16%
9%
Report NC03 12012011 in Jos victim’s home, unidentified thugs did physical harm to election official. Result was 1 wounded.

ID 200 report received. Please write ID number on your paper form. Your PO may contact you with questions.
### Theft in Lagos!

An undisclosed number of the Direct Data Capture machines ordered by the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) have been stolen from the cargo. 

**Location:** Lagos, Nigeria  |  **Submitted By:** via WEC

**Categories:** Property damage  |  Verbal harassment

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**Building the Foundation of Democracy**
2 total report(s) from team thus far
Lebanon EVRA Methodology

- Identify variables
- Measure variables
- Assign risk level
- Update continuously
Learning and Impact...

Risk assessment provides baseline for security planning and response

Conflict monitoring and reporting can DETER violence or highlight areas of need

Better information = better security planning, better conflict responses
Practical Ideas for EMBs

Conflict reporting
- Identify and resolve disputes sooner

CSO collaboration
- Partners for peace and conflict prevention

Public engagement
- Increases credibility

Risk mapping
- Build relations with security actors