



CHANGING THE FACE OF HUMANITARIAN AND DEVELOPMENT RESPONSES

Creating better outcomes for the most vulnerable people



SERVICES WE PROVIDE



1 CONVENE

- Discuss areas you want to improve, for better understanding and solutions
- Find innovations you can use in country
- Find innovators that you can work with in country
- Access innovation forums
- Join a community of innovators with multiple organisations

- Define and refine your innovation challenge
- Search our networks for existing solutions, globally and locally
- Be paired with tested innovations that meet your challenge
- Get evaluation and implementation support



2 MATCHMAKER SERVICE



3 SUPPORT

- Access funding pathways
- Get referrals to global innovation networks
- Plan your financial model
- Get support with monitoring and evaluation of innovation projects, business models ethics, intellectual property and so much more.
- Test, pilot, and scale innovations

The Somali Response Innovation Lab (SomRIL) provides resources that can help you to innovate and share your innovation with others, to solve development problems and challenges. The lab is independent, local, and accessible for free to both traditional and non-traditional humanitarian and development actors. Our goal is to substantially improve the lives of affected populations, by ensuring good, new and innovative ideas are tested and shared across the sector.

We bring together NGOs, governments, the private sector, and many more, to build real solutions that make humanitarian and development work more effective, efficient, timely and accountable. We focus on impact.

SomRIL is a partner of the Response Innovation Lab, founded by three of the world's largest NGOs. RIL is currently operating in five countries, with a network of 150 supporting organizations. SomRIL is also a part of the Response for Somalia Emergencies (RISE) project which is testing and implementing the RIL to improve stakeholders' understanding of humanitarian innovation in partnership with the George Washington University's Institute for Disaster & Fragility Resilience (GW/IDFR) and the Somali Disaster Resilience Institute (SDRI).

Field-based support to:

- Help your organisation be more innovative
- Capture, develop, and scale innovative ideas and projects
- Collaborate on solving problems and implementing innovation projects



Hard to find time?

We know it is hard to find time to improve when you are knee-deep in development project activities. You have hundreds of unread emails, donor reports pending, a task list that is so long it seems never-ending. You cannot even find time for lunch. But there is always an opportunity for improvement. New ideas can bring real change, turning frustration into progress.



Be a part of the solution

Talk to the SomRIL manager if you want to try something new. Be part of the solution to make our sector and people's lives better.

“The next 15 years will see major breakthroughs for most people in poor countries [which] will be driven by innovation in technology - ranging from new vaccines and hardier crops to much cheaper smartphones and tablets - and by innovations that help deliver those things to more people.”

Bill and Melinda Gates,
2016 Gates Annual Letter



At a glance

- Five national labs and more opening this year
- Over 200 people convened around solving humanitarian problems
- 150 supporting organizations
- 40 humanitarian problems currently being matched
- 15 humanitarian challenges analyzed
- Three innovations scaled globally



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The Somali Resilience Innovation Lab is a partner of the Response Innovation Lab. This lab complements humanitarian operations by developing, testing and rolling out proven concepts; overcoming context-specific problems to support people affected by crises.

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Founding Partners of the Response Innovation Lab

