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To summarize, as a **support organization**, you can help the initiative groups **organize and structure their work in the key areas**, including fundraising, grant making and outreach and engagement of the community.

You can support the groups to have clear **objectives and agendas** for these meetings, as well as a good **facilitation** process. And to reflect on the next steps and development opportunities after different iterations.

You can also support the groups to create **connections between direct action and thematic areas** that they're working on and the **institutional development** of the foundation, being aware that the recruitment of board members, for example, can be part of their objectives when they set up the task forces.



You can also support them to **better understand the responsibilities** of the board by connecting to other board members from the same country or from different countries.

In many of the places where you work, it's quite possible that there is not a very strong governance culture, so this understanding of responsibilities, roles, ways of working together, ways of relating with the other parts of the team, for example, with the executive leadership of the foundation, are part of a **long term reflection and development** process.