



Forum for Civic Dialogue:

*“Political Cohabitation in Somaliland:  
Achieving Constructive Results  
through Cooperation?”*

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On September 29, 2005, Somalilanders elected a new House of Representatives, in which the two opposition political parties are able to control a collective majority. This has led to “political cohabitation”, a situation in which the legislative and the executive branches of government are controlled by different political parties. Such scenarios can pose particular challenges to democratic political systems. Therefore, the key questions for the upcoming Forum are:

- What is Somaliland’s experience in dealing with political cohabitation?
- How can the current cohabitation in Somaliland achieve constructive results?
- What recommendations can be made to make political cohabitation work in the interest of Somaliland’s people?

**Your participation is greatly appreciated and welcome.**

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