

pro bono connect

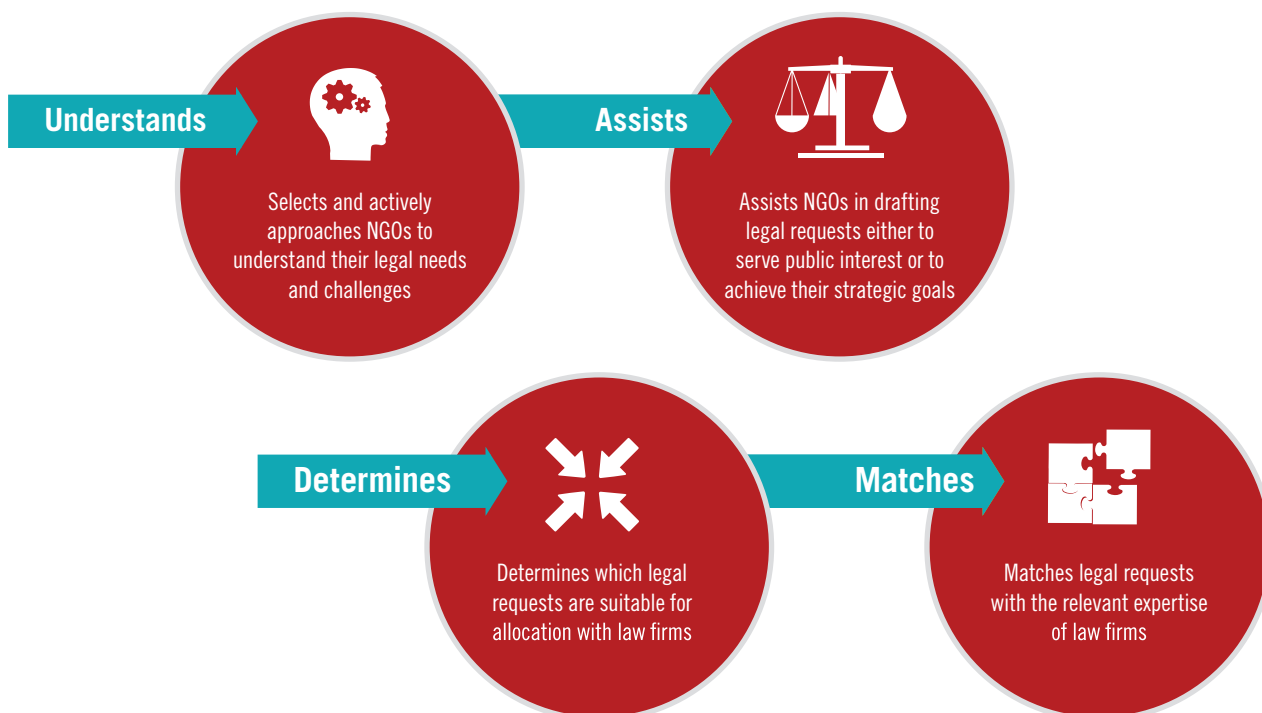
The Netherlands' Public Interest Clearinghouse

What is it?

PRO BONO CONNECT is a public interest clearinghouse that acts as intermediary between non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and law firms. It was established after extensive research among law firms, NGOs and foreign clearinghouses. It is supported by the Netherlands' leading law firms.



What does it do?



Why participate?

- ➡ PRO BONO CONNECT gives NGOs access to first-class advice
- ➡ PRO BONO CONNECT assists NGOs to identify and describe their legal needs
- ➡ PRO BONO CONNECT can help NGOs get better organised

Examples of requests

- ➡ Performing a feasibility study with regard to public interest cases
- ➡ Litigating on behalf of victims of human rights violations
- ➡ Drafting a legal opinion on treaty obligations
- ➡ Assisting a grassroots public interest group getting organised
- ➡ Giving tax advice on an NGO's fundraising proceeds

About the Project Coordinator

Alexandra Vader - de Rooy is the Project Coordinator of Pro Bono Connect. Before this she worked in the legal field for nine years, first as an attorney, later as a recruitment consultant and business development officer. Alexandra holds a degree in International and European law from the University of Groningen.



About the NJCM

The Dutch Section of the International Commission of Jurists (Nederlands Juristen Comité voor de Mensenrechten, NJCM) is an independent and specialised association which has promoted and protected human rights in the Netherlands since 1974. The NJCM has approximately 1,000 members, many of whom are jurists actively involved in the fields of law that are relevant to Pro Bono Connect. It maintains close contacts with all relevant civil society organisations concerned with human rights in the Netherlands and plays a leading role in aligning NGOs in lobbying activities. It also holds close contacts with law schools and law clinics in the Netherlands, individual academics and other specialists in the field of human rights law.



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